



**NEWSLETTER**  
**SOUTH AFRICAN SHERIFF SOCIETY**  
**OCTOBER 2017**

With end of year approaching we hereby provide members with a summary of compliance matters for sheriffs and information on the upcoming provincial meetings.

A further report will follow with feedback on SASS programs and other matters.

1. Re-issue of Fidelity Fund Certificates for 2018

It is of utmost importance for SASS members to send all documents and payments pertaining to "Legal Obligations Phase 2" by 31 October 2017 to the South Board for Sheriffs to ensure your Fidelity Fund Certificate for 2018 is renewed.

See attached our letter dated 9 October 2017 with annexures.

In addition to the forms, you must by now have submitted your audit form and payment of interest of trust account and also Form 16 and payment of levies. These were due 31 July.

Insurance renewals are due 30 November 2017 and is explained below.

Should you need any assistance, please call the national secretary, Petro Roodt on 0514473784.

2. Insurance requirements for sheriffs, due 30 November 2017

(a) Professional Indemnity insurance (PI)

This insurance is payable annually and is renewable on 1 December every year. We believe the insurance brokers are in the process of sending out invoices to sheriffs and

we encourage members to make payment on time.

(b) Third party liability insurance

This insurance is now compulsory for sheriffs, but there are challenges with affordability and the policy of the Board.

SASS supports the principle of having this type of insurance, but raised all member's issues with Board at the consultative forum meeting of 17 October 2017, including the financial impact, the high threshold, the manner of calculation of thresholds, etc. As a result the Board is now reviewing the provisions for third party liability insurance. No fines will be issued for non-compliance, however sheriffs must still submit proof of current cover. Furthermore, the STP policy will be reviewed and the Board will engage the profession before final implementation.

Enclosed find a complete report on this important matter.

We now await further correspondence from the Board on the matter.

3. Tariff increase effective 1 November 2017

The long awaited tariff increased was published on 29 September 2017 and will come into operation on 1 November 2017; We are generally pleased with the 13 - 15% increase.

Visit the SASS website [www.sassoc.co.za](http://www.sassoc.co.za) to download the Government Gazette.

The new tariffs will be workshopped in all provinces.

4. Amendments to Rule 46 of the Uniform Rules and Rule 43 Magistrates Court Regulations

The proposed amended Regulations for attachment and sale of immovable property contain a number of drastic changes which sheriffs need to note.

These amendments have been approved and signed by the Minister, but have not been Gazetted. The Rules Board is expected to publish in November and the regulations will be effective one month after publication.

## 5. Provincial meetings dates and venues

SASS PROVINCIAL MEETINGS				
1	Mpumalanga	24 October 2017	Rustique Conference Centre, Middelburg	Contact: Regina Tau
2	Free State	27 October 2017	The Clarens Golf and Leisure, Carens	Contact: TJ Mthombeni 073 5633560
3	Western Cape Northern Cape	3 November 2017	Bellville Community Hall	Contact: A Ngesi 082 2219626
4	North West	11 November 2017	Klerksdorp	Contact Hannes Otto 082 7872003
5	Limpopo	16 November 2017	Bolivia Lodge Polokwane	Contact: S Makhubela 076 3137224
6	KZN	18 November 2017	Sheriff Office Pine Town	Contact: Rishaad Singh 082 7806353
7	Gauteng	25 November 2017	To be confirmed	Contact: K Mphahlele 082 4635342
8	Eastern Cape	To be advised		Contact: L Sharp 082 4549846