



Application to join/renew membership of the South African Bat Assessment Association Oct 2023 - Oct 2024

The South African Bat Assessment Association provides a platform for bat specialists to interact and share their views. The aims of the association are:

- To ensure that any development in South Africa proceeds with the least possible impact on bats to preserve the natural dynamics of bat populations so the country will continue to benefit from the essential ecosystem services they provide.
- To ensure high standards of bat surveys in South Africa by facilitating interaction with practitioners and academics to discuss issues around accurate surveys, monitoring, and mitigation measures.
- To review guidelines, policies, reports, and training material related to bats and development, and to set standards as necessary.
- To foster awareness and understanding of bats and to promote the conservation of bats by engaging with private developers, government agencies and departments, non-governmental organisations, and private individuals.
- To provide a discussion platform for the wider bat community to engage in issues around bat surveys and bat conservation and to motivate for research into impacts of developments on bats and potential mitigations.
- To offer mediation or arbitration in cases of conflict between government, developers, environment assessment practitioners, bat specialists, and conservationists.

Through a process of submitting an application form and paying a nominal annual membership fee, anyone who is interested in joining SABAA is entitled to do so. The membership fees for the 2023/2024 SABAA year are:

- R 100.00 for students or pensioners.
- R 200.00 for all other individuals.

Members will get the following for their membership fee:

- Emails and updates from the panel on the latest legislation, developments, and news.
- Access to the SABAA electronic Linked-In and FaceBook discussion group.
- Voting rights at the AGM.
- Possible discount towards SABAA conference and workshop fees.

Please complete the following form and email it to: info@sabaa.org.za

Title: First name: Last name:

Address & Code:

Telephone/ Cell phone:

Email:

Company/Website/LinkedIn:

Please make an electronic transfer to the following account using your surname or company name as the reference and send proof of payment with this completed application form to info@sabaa.org.za :

Account Holder: South African Bat Assessment Association

Bank: FNB

Branch: Sandton City

Branch Code: 254605

Account Number: 62532580215