

PUBLIC NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT ROLLING OUT WESTERN CAPE SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES VERIFICATION, REGISTRATION, DECLARATION, AND RIGHTS ALLOCATION

The Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) is in the process of rolling out the new verification, registration, declaration, and rights allocation process for the small-scale fishers in the Western Cape. The process will only be open to the community members who participated in the initial process in 2016.

Community members will need to present their original/valid temporary identity document on the day of registration and should gather all necessary documentation in preparation for the registration and verification processes.

If community members are unable to attend these meetings, as per the schedule, valid reasons include as example a medical emergency or the death of an immediate family member. "Fishing" or "attending to other business" will not be regarded as valid reasons for not attending the meetings.

Community members must notify the DFFE prior to the meeting, on the number provided below, to arrange the authorisation of a proxy letter.

A template of the proxy letter can be retrieved from the nearest Fisheries Compliance Offices of the DFFE.

Notes on the verification process

- Verification forms are not for sale.
- Each verification form will have a unique sequence number and the form should not be photocopied.
- Eligible community members will be required to visit the distribution centres to collect their verification forms.
- Community members will be given 31 days to complete the forms and collect all the required documentation.
- The DFFE will collect/receive all verification forms after 31 days at the same venues.
- Community members will be given a receipt with a unique number, which will also be visible on the original verification form. The receipt will be used as proof that they have submitted the verification form.

The process timeline will be as follows:

SOUTHERN CAPE (GARDEN ROUTE) REGION					
COMMUNITY	VENUE	ESTIMATED MOBILISATION DATE	ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION DATE	DFFE COLLECTION DATE	REGISTRATION TIME
Kurland (Plett)	Kurland Community Hall	19-20 September 2022	3 October 2022	7 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Covie	St Paul's Anglican Church	19 September 2022	4 October 2022	7 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Qolweni(Plett)	New Horizon Community Hall	19-20 September 2022	5 October 2022	8 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Pine Trees					
New Horizon					
KwaNokuthula (Plett) / Bossies	Thusong Community Centre	19-20 September 2022	5 October 2022	9 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Kranshoek	Kranshoek Hall	19-20 September 2022	6 October 2022	10 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Hornlee	Hornlee Community Hall	19-20 September 2022	5 October 2022	9 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Greenvalley	Wittedrift Community Hall	19-20 September 2022	4 October 2022	8 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Wittedrift					
Witlokasie / White Location	Rheenendal Youth Centre	19-20 September 2022	6 October 2022	10 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Rheenendal					
Touwsranten	Touwsranten Community Centre	19-20 September 2022	3 October 2022	7 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Kleinkrantz (Wilderness)	Kleinkrantz Church	19-20 September 2022	7 October 2022	11 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Sedgefield / Smutsville	Smutsville Community Hall	19-20 September 2022	7 October 2022	11 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Klein Brak / Power Town	Klein Brak / Power Town Hall	19-20 September 2022	4 October 2022	8 November 2022	09:00-16:00
Tarka / New Sunnyside	D'almeida Town Hall	19-20 September 2022	6 October 2022	10 November 2022	09:00-16:00
D'almeida					
Asla	Mossel Bay Town Hall	19-20 September 2022	5 October 2022	9 November 2022	09:00-16:00
KwaNonqaba					
Mossel Bay / Herbertsdale					

For more information, please contact 021 402 3614.

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