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# YOUNGSTERS ON THE AIR 2018 SOUTH AFRICA BULLETIN 2



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## QUICK NOTE FROM THE ORGANIZERS

Dear youngsters,

We hope that you are getting ready for your trip to South Africa.

This document contains very important information. Please make sure that you read this document very carefully and that you understand all of it very clearly.

During the last few months the YOTA SA Organizers have been working around the clock to make sure that YOTA 2018 will be the best YOTA yet. Our programme has been filled with many amazing activities, lectures and surprises that all of you will enjoy.

Attached to this document are 3 forms that need to be completed by organizers (also assisting organizers), team leaders and youngsters under the age of 18. These documents need to be sent to both [info@zs9yota.co.za](mailto:info@zs9yota.co.za) and to [lisleenders@gmail.com](mailto:lisleenders@gmail.com). These forms need to be completed and sent before 31 July. If we do not have your document you will not be allowed to participate.

Furthermore, if you have any more travel information, dietary requirements etc. that we do not know about, please remember to send it on to [info@zs9yota.co.za](mailto:info@zs9yota.co.za) as soon as possible.

We cannot wait to see you in South Africa! Travel safe!

Best 73,

YOTA SA Organizations Team

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# ARRIVALS

Once you arrive at OR Tambo International Airport, passed through SA Border Customs and collected your luggage, you will proceed through a set of sliding doors. These sliding doors enter to the Terminal A arrivals hall. A few youngsters from the South African YOTA team will meet you there and escort you to the shuttle. Look for the YOTA flag!

The airport has various free WiFi networks available. If you are unable to find your way to the correct pickup point, contact Koos ZR6KF immediately on WhatsApp or Telegram (+27 84 369 3967) or Marlene Hooper .

## GENERAL CAMP ARRANGEMENTS

### **NAME BADGE:**

Once you arrive at the hotel you will be issued with all the required documents etc. Along with all of these documents you will receive a name badge. All YOTA delegates are required to wear these name badges at all times. The badge does not only identify you as a YOTA delegate but contains very important information such as emergency contact numbers, camp frequencies etc. If you loose your name badge, please speak to one of the organizers immediately.

### **LANGUAGE:**

Please take note that any other language than English will be discouraged during the camp.

### **LOCAL TIME:**

South African Standard Time (SAST) is 2 hours ahead of UTC (UTC+2) and does not observe Daylight Saving. This is the same as Central African Time (CAT).

### **LOCAL CURRENCY:**

The South African currency is called the Rand (Symbol: R; Code: ZAR). Please take note that stores and shops in South Africa do not accept any currency except Rands or card payments. We suggest that you exchange your currency at the airport as soon as you arrive. Most smaller shops do accept card payments, but rather be safe and have some cash at hand.

### **WEATHER AND CLIMATE:**

Johannesburg is not a winter rainfall area that experiences an average temperature between 4°C and 20°C in the winter. Please keep an eye on the weather forecasts a few days before the event and pack accordingly.

Remember to bring a hat and sunscreen. The African sun can be harsh through the day.

### **HEALTH AND SAFETY:**

- **Yellow fever:** If you have travelled in a yellow-fever area within six days of arriving, or even transited for more than 12 hours en route, you need to show a vaccination certificate to enter South Africa.
- **Malaria:** Johannesburg is a low-risk Malaria area. The risk of being infected is practically zero. No precautions have to be taken.
- **Water:** Drinking water in South Africa is safe when taken from the tap or faucet - in fact our tap water is said to be some of the safest and cleanest in the world. Avoid, however, drinking water from streams and rivers, especially in areas where there is human habitation. These may carry water-borne diseases.

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- General safety: Leaving the venue unauthorised is not allowed. Should you wish to leave the venue for personal reasons, please speak to one of the organizers.
  - General health: Should you injure yourself or experience any health related issue, a medic (ER24) will be available at all times. More detail will be discussed during the welcoming ceremony.

#### **GYM, SWIMMING POOL, VOLLEYBALL COURT, BAR, ROOM SERVICE AND LAUNDRY SERVICE:**

- Gym: The venue offers a gym free of charge for all visitors to use.
- Swimming pool: The venue has a swimming pool that can be used by all visitors. Please keep in mind that it is winter, but not the winter that some of our European delegates are used to.
- Volleyball court: A volleyball court will be made available near the radio station room.
- Bar: The venue has a bar on the premises. **The bar will only offer alcohol to delegates over the age of 18. You are responsible for all bar costs.**
- Room service and laundry service: Both room and laundry service are offered by the hotel. Please keep in mind that both of these services are offered at an additional cost. This additional cost will NOT be covered by YOTA, SARL, or any Organizer. **You are responsible for any extra cost you incur with the hotel.**

#### **ELECTRICITY:**

The South African electricity supply is 220/230 volts AC 50 Hz. Most plugs are 15 amp 3-prong or 5 amp 2-prong, with round pins. Consider bringing an adapter with you, although they can be purchased at the airport. If you purchase one adapter, remember to pack a multi-plug from your own country to increase the availability of plugs.



#### **The SARL, YOTA or any of its organizers are not, and will not be held responsible for the following:**

- Accommodation, food or transport before or after the event. If you arrive early (before the checkin on 8 August 2018) or stay later (after the checkout on 15 August 2018) than the YOTA Summer Event, you are responsible for your own transport, accommodation, food etc.
- Accommodation for visitors. If you are planing on visiting the event unofficially, in other words you have not been registered as a participant on our lists, you are responsible for all your own transport, accommodation, food etc.
- Any injury, theft or accidents that take place before, during or after the event.
- Any additional cost, such as laundry service costs, bar costs, room service costs.

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## CHECKLIST

- Passport and ID card
- Travel- and health insurance (Please bring copies of these documents to hand in on arrival.)
- Necessary medication if needed
- A copy of your Radio Amateur license (If you have one.)
- Cellphone and charger
- Laptop and charger
- 2m Handheld Radio (If you have extra, please bring them as well. Remember to mark them with your callsign.)
- Swim suite and towel (Yes, it is winter, but this is Africa!)
- Hat/cap
- Sunscreen (MOST IMPORTANT - SPF30 or more!)
- Comfortable clothing for the duration of the event
- Camera
- National flag (At least 1 per country)
- Toiletries
- A **warm** jacket and appropriate clothing for the early mornings and late afternoons.
- QSL-cards to exchange with other participants
- Food/Drinks and traditional clothing for the intercultural evening

## INTERCULTURAL EVENING

The YOTA Intercultural evening is a famous YOTA event where youngsters bring food and drinks from their countries to share with the other countries. Sweets, cold drinks and non-perishable foods are always a good idea.

Each room complex has a small kitchen that can be used by the participants.

As most of you will be traveling to South Africa via air travel, please keep in mind that some food products will not be allowed to be brought into the borders of the Republic of South Africa.

Please visit this website for more info regarding prohibited items: <http://www.sars.gov.za/Client-Segments/Customs-Excise/Travellers/Pages/Arrival-in-SA.aspx>

## ALCOHOL AND SMOKING POLICY

According to South African law, the legal age for alcohol consumption and smoking in South Africa is 18 years. If you are under the age of 18 and you are caught consuming alcohol or smoking, necessary measures will be taken. Please also take note that any form of drugs are illegal in South Africa according to law.

## RAE EXAM DOCUMENTATION

For those of you interested in writing the Radio Amateur Examination (RAE), both the SARL Study Guide and the ICASA Frequency Spectrum Regulations are available for download from the ZS9YOTA website at [www.zs9yota.co.za/web/event-information/](http://www.zs9yota.co.za/web/event-information/) from the event information page.

Preparation lectures will be provided and successful candidates will be issued a HAREC Certificate on passing the exam. Hard copies of the documentation will be made available at the venue. Please start to familiarize yourself with the contents of the study guide and the Frequency Spectrum Regulations in order to be geared up as preparation time is limited prior to writing the exam.

## PROGRAMME

08 - 15 AUGUST		MORNING		AFTERNOON		EVENING	
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>B R E A K F A S T</b>	Arrival & Registration		Arrival & Registration		Team Introduction	
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ZS9YOTA Radio Station Intro</li> <li>• Journey into SDR</li> <li>• Yagi Handheld Antenna Construction</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South Africa &amp; Wildlife Experience</li> <li>• BACAR Prezo</li> <li>• Train The Trainer Intro</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcoming</li> <li>• Intercultural Evening</li> </ul>			
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BACAR Intro</li> <li>• Building a BACARsat</li> <li>• BACAR Prep for Flight</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RAE Exam Prep</li> <li>• Kletsious CubeSat</li> <li>• Satellite Track &amp; Operating Skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train the Trainer</li> <li>• RAE Exam Prep</li> </ul>			
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BACAR Flight</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BACAR Flight</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BACAR Flight</li> </ul>			
<b>SUNDAY</b>		Full day program & outing	Full day program & outing	Full day program & outing			
<b>SUNDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QRP Kit Construction</li> <li>• Contesting Skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QRP Kit Construction</li> <li>• Contesting Skills</li> <li>• Train the Trainer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train the Trainer</li> <li>• QRP Kit Construction</li> <li>• RAE Exam Prep</li> </ul>			
<b>MONDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morning Outing</li> <li>• Visit to BOSCO &amp; GEW</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Times &amp; Live of Marconi - Interactive Experience</li> <li>• HF Noise Monitoring Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train the Trainer</li> <li>• QRP Kit Construction</li> <li>• RAE Exam</li> </ul>			
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Outing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Train the Trainer Conclusion</li> <li>• Farewell</li> </ul>			
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		Time to Pack, Check out & Departure	Check out & Travel Home	Travel Home			

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## TEAM LEADERS

Team leaders are responsible for the entire representing team. Make sure that your entire team receives all necessary documents. Once you arrive in South Africa, it will also be your responsibility to make sure that all team members attend all lectures and activities. Make sure that your entire team is on time.

If you are having trouble with one of your team members, please speak to one of the organizers immediately.

The YOTA SA Programme is very time sensitive. We expect all team leaders to make sure that the entire team is on time for each activity.

## TEAM LEADERS TRAVELING WITH YOUNGSTERS UNDER THE AGE OF 18

Please remember to have all the necessary documents at hand once you arrive at OR Tambo International Airport. If you do not have all the required documents ready, you will not be allowed into South Africa.

During the camp, you will also remain responsible for the youngster. Keep in mind that youngsters under the age of 18 are not allowed to consume alcohol or smoke.

## PAYMENT

As stated previously, each participant is required to pay a symbolic **€25 (Euro)** camp fee. Payment of the compulsory **€25 (Euro)** can be done through the YOTA SA PayPal Account. If you prefer to make a cash payment once you arrive in South Africa, **R400.00 (Rand)** can be payed on arrival.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## Appendix 2: Declaration to be signed by all leaders of participating teams

On behalf of [ ] team, I the undersigned, have read, and do understand the requirements of Region 1 in respect of Child Protection. I will observe the requirements of the Child Protection Principles and take all reasonable steps to ensure they are adhered to.

I confirm that I am not subject to any criminal proceedings and have no criminal record.

**Signed:**

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**Name:**

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**Position within [ ]:**

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**Date:**

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**Declaration to be signed by all leaders of participating teams**

### Appendix 3: Letter of parental consent

Event: [ *Name of event* ]

We, [*Name of parent*] [*ID number*] and [*Name of parent*] [*ID number*], are father and mother of [*Name of participant*] (born on [DD.MM.YYYY], [*ID Number*], citizen of [*Country of citizenship*]).

The child has our consent to travel with group leader [*name of team leader*] ([*date of birth*, *ID number*) on the route to [ *destination* ] and back.

Travel details:

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The child is allowed to take part in activities of [ *event* ] organised by [ *organiser* ]

We kindly ask for all necessary assistance to my child and the accompanying person during the trip.

Parents' phone number: [ ]

Parents' address: [ ]

Signed on [ *date* ] by

[*Name of parent*]

and

[*Name of parent*]