TEMPORARY IMPORT / EXPORT PERMITS REQUIRED BY FOREIGN COMPETITORS – DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED AND PROCEDURE

1. New Firearms Legislation in South Africa

The Firearms Control Act was approved in 2000 and became law on 1st July 2004.

The Firearms Control Act 60 of 2000 is now the current Act, which governs all licensed firearms. With this, there is a new procedure governing the import of firearms for shooting or hunting purposes.

As in the past, a temporary import / export permit is required on entry into South Africa. However, there is certain criterion that must be adhered to when applying for the import / export permit.

2. Application for Temporary import / export permit

Visitors must complete the prescribed application form (SAP 520). A copy of the form is available from the SABU office or can be downloaded from www.saps.org.za or www.sabisley.com

Applications can either be done directly by yourself to the Central Firearms Registry or through the SABU Office.

The completed application form and supporting documentation must be emailed to the SABU office.

Applications – via the SABU office

The completed forms must be sent to the SABU office together with the necessary documentation.

The following information must accompany your application form:

Flight Details
Date of arrival
Point of entry – Johannesburg or Cape Town
Flight no

The applications will be hand delivered to the CFCR and progress followed up by the SABU Office. A fee of R150.00 will be charged.

Once the permits are issued by the Central Firearms Registry, SABU will collect the permits and email a copy back to you and hand the original to you at the SA Open.

3. Documents to accompany the application form

- Certified copy of your passport (with photo)
NB: Certified copy means certified by a Commissioner of Oaths – you can get this done at your local police station

- Certified proof of firearm ownership
- Copy of invitation to participate from host country
  
  NB: SABU will attach a letter of invitation to your application. If application is made directly to CFCR please request a copy of the invitation from the SABU office.

- Copy of acceptance of the SABU invitation

Please Note: If part of a team, each and every member of the team requires an individual permit.

4. Guidelines to completing the SAPS 520 form

   Page 1  Ignore
   Page 2  Complete Section E
            Particulars of applicant
   Page 3  Complete Section F
            Particulars of the current owners of the firearms
   Page 4  Complete Section G
            Import and/or export details
            Item 9, date of arrival into and departure out of South Africa
   Page 5  Complete Section I
            Details of firearms
            Details of ammunition

   NB: please allow for the complete requirements of ammunition for the event, e.g., 450 rounds

   Page 6  Please sign the declaration
   Page 7  Only to be completed in case of a minor, passport of parent required.
   Page 8  Ignore