



STRAND BUURTWAG

STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

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STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH INDEMNITY

I, _____
(Full Names)

with Identity Number _____

residing at _____
(Residential Address)

Do hereby:-

1. Acknowledge that I have read the Code of Conduct as extracted from the Constitution of the **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**, and fully understand the terms thereof;
2. Acknowledge that I have chosen to be a member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** and voluntarily participate in patrolling activities;
3. Acknowledge further, that the **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** is not a corporate entity established by or under any law nor does it have juristic personality;
4. Indemnify the aforesaid **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**, its committee and other members, in respect of any criminal or civil liability, against any costs, claims, suits or damages howsoever arising directly or indirectly from any intentional act or omission or any negligence on my part.

SIGNED AT _____ **ON THIS** _____ **DAY OF** _____ **20**_____.

WITNESSES:-

1. _____

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE

2. _____

STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CODE OF CONDUCT

1. This Code of Conduct and the Constitution of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** shall be binding on all members of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**.
2. Members of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** must at all-time act in a non-violent manner. No member may take the law into his or her own hands irrespective of circumstances.
3. No member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** shall display racism, sexism or any other form of discrimination towards any member and any other person.
4. When on patrol a **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** member may only use “minimum force”, as described in the Criminal Procedure Act No. 51 of 1977 to secure the arrest of the perpetrator of an offence and no intimidation in whatever form may be used in the communities where such patrols will be taking place.
5. No member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** may when patrolling carry any weapon(s) perceived to be dangerous that could inflict serious bodily harm and or damage to property; Only weapons for sole purpose of self-defence as approved by the Provincial Commissioner South African Police Services – Western Cape may be used.
6. Any **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** member who intends taking a firearm on patrol must declare such to the local South African Police Services before taking such firearm on patrol.
7. No person under the age of 18 years may participate in any patrol.
8. Members of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** may not divulge any confidential or privileged information that they may have acquired as a result of their membership of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**.
9. Any member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** found to be making public statements and or addressing the media as a spokesperson for **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** without the explicit authority from the Executive Committee of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** duly mandating that member to act for and on behalf of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** shall be guilty of a serious offence, resulting in the immediate suspension of the member pending expulsion subject to full investigation and decision on the matter.
10. No member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** may accept any payment, commission or gratuity in connection with his or her membership of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**, except after being duly authorized to do so by the Executive Committee of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**.
11. No member of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** may exploit his or her membership of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** for personal advantage or benefit.
12. Members of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** must at all times act in a manner that will uphold and promote the aims and objective of **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** as highlighted in **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**'s Constitution and this Code of Conduct.

MEMBER SIGNATURE

STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SOCIAL MEDIA – TERMS & CONDITIONS

Thank you for the joining **STRAND NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** which allows you to be added to either the Patrollers or Observers WhatsApp groups.

The aim of these groups is:

- ❖ Get to know your neighbours and to look out for one another
- ❖ Share all things relevant to the safety of the community
- ❖ Share suspicious or unusual occurrences with the community
- ❖ Share relevant crime information with the community

These groups are an extension of **Strand Neighbourhood Watch's** communication channels and as such, are also governed by the **Strand Neighbourhood Watch** constitution and the mandate under which we work in conjunction with the relevant law enforcement departments. They are only open to signed-up **Strand Neighbourhood Watch** members that agree to adhere to these Rules and Regulations. Crime related information is sensitive as it can impact on the apprehension on the criminal/s and their prosecution. Please read through the list below so that you have an idea of what can and cannot be said, shared and broadcast on these groups. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in your removal from these groups depending on the infringement. This decision will be taken by the **Strand Neighbourhood Watch** Management Committee and will be **final**.

1. Content shared on these groups is for **Strand Neighbourhood Watch** members **ONLY**. Content from these groups may **NOT** be shared with any third party unless otherwise specified. **Only** Management may forward the information on to other groups.
2. **NO** posts of crime scenes and number plates that can cause complication with SAPS investigations are permitted.
3. Refrain from replying with "copy" on posts sent as this have negative results on other users.
4. These groups are **NOT** chat groups. They are in place to report suspicious behaviour / concerns/ crime related information and information relevant to our area.
5. We reserve the right to promote and share other activities and events in our area that have positive impact on crime and grime. This includes community building events, as a strong community is the best deterrent for crime.
6. Please message management members **privately** if you are asked to do so for feedback or if you have any concerns or suggestions.
7. We consider ourselves a community organisation and our aim is to uplift our area and support each other. Only constructive criticism is allowed. A respectful question, to clarify a situation or a friendly, constructive suggestion goes a long way. A debate on various viewpoints should be taken up **off line**.
8. Over many years we have built and strengthened our relationships with SAPS and our security service providers. We are extremely happy to have some of members on our groups. If you would like to take up matters with SAPS, please do so through management or directly with SAPS.
9. **NO** jokes, religious comment, hate speech, racism, politics, and vulgar language or off topic posts are allowed on these groups.
10. Absolutely no advertising will be permitted on these groups. This includes, but is not limited to: products, services, security, other Neighbourhood Watches and NPOs.
11. Management reserve the right to remove members who won't adhere to Admins' instructions

These WhatsApp groups **DO NOT** replace our 24 hour Emergency Control room, SAPS or your armed response company as it is not an emergency channel. We would like to advise that our 24 hour Emergency Control room, SAPS or your armed response company be your **FIRST** point of call should a serious incident occur. These WhatsApp groups do not replace our radio network which is a far more effective and successful form of communication.

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