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PERMIT CONDITIONS FOR THE PARROT BREEDERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA (PASA) MEMBERS REGARDING RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES PERTAINING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET (*PSITTACULA KRAMERI*) IN TERMS OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: BIODIVERSITY ACT, 2004 (ACT NO.10 OF 2004).("THE ACT")

RESTRICTED ACTIVITIES

1. Members of the industry association, PASA, are exempted from requiring a permit for the following restricted activities provided they comply with all permit conditions of the permit issued to PASA:
 - (a) Having in possession or exercising physical control over any specimen of the Rose-ringed Parakeet;
 - (b) Breeding or in any other way propagating any specimen of the Rose-ringed Parakeet or causing it to multiply;
 - (c) Conveying, moving or otherwise translocating any specimen of the Rose-ringed Parakeet;
 - (d) Selling or otherwise trading in, buying, receiving, giving, donating or accepting as a gift, or in any way acquiring or disposing of any specimen of the Rose-ringed Parakeet.

2. The above exemption does not apply to restricted activities "a" in Notice 1: "Importing into the Republic including introducing from the sea, any specimen of the Rose-ringed Parakeet," and any person wishing to import this species into the Republic must apply for a permit by lodging an application on the prescribed form to the Department of Environmental Affairs: Alien Invasive Species Issuing Authority.

GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS FOR ALIEN AND INVASIVE SPECIES IN TERMS OF THE REGULATIONS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: BIODIVERSITY ACT, 2004 (ACT NO.10 OF 2004).

3. This permit shall not absolve the permit holder from complying with any obligations that he/she may have in terms of any other law.





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4. The permit holder is referred to Regulations 18 – 29 of the Alien and Invasive Species (AIS) Regulations, the provisions of which are applicable to this permit, irrespective of whether they are specifically set out herein or not.
5. This permit is not transferable and relates only to PASA members.
6. This permit is valid only:
 - (a) In its original form as issued by the Issuing Authority and any unauthorised alteration thereof and/or tampering therewith shall render it invalid unless subjected to condition 13 below;
 - (b) For the period specified in the permit unless it is cancelled, revoked or amended by the Issuing Authority.
7. This permit shall automatically lapse if the species to which it relates is subsequently listed as a prohibited invasive alien species in terms of Section 67(1) of the Act.
8. The permit holder and its members must take all necessary steps to prevent the escape of the permitted species and must control any specimen that escapes. A register as stipulated in condition 24.3 below must be kept.
9. The PASA members must at all times have in possession this certified copy of a permit and permit conditions; and the respective members shall have affiliation documents or memberships cards and these permit conditions while performing any restricted activity. These must be produced when requested by any authorized official(s).
10. The PASA members will be subject to the provisions of Chapter 7 of the National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 in respect of the mandate and powers of Environmental Management Inspectors. The permit must be made available upon request by any authorised official designated by the Minister of Environmental Affairs. The PASA members shall allow the Issuing Authority or any other authorised official(s) unrestricted access to monitor compliance with permit conditions and for any inspection.





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11. The PASA members must comply with any conditions or control measures applicable.
12. Permits will be revoked if animals are not being held as the permit conditions specify.
13. Any incidents related to the permitted activities that are actual or potential threats to the environment and/or the breach of a condition of this permit must be reported in writing to the relevant Authority or his/her designated representative within 24 hours of the incident. A register as stipulated in condition 24.3 below must be kept.
14. The Issuing Authority may amend, cancel or withdraw these permit conditions in writing when deemed necessary.
15. The specimens must be used solely for the purpose stated in the permit and may not be used for any other purpose.
16. The PASA members must immediately notify the Issuing Authority of any change of address, premises and/or legal status in writing.
17. A permit that has been cancelled in terms of Section 93 of the Act must be returned to the Issuing Authority within 30 (thirty) calendar days of the date of cancellation.
18. The PASA hereby agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department, including its authorised representatives, and/or a Provincial Department, including any authorised representatives, for any loss and/or damage, which may be incurred or suffered by the permit holder as a result of the Department, Provincial Department, and any of its authorised officials, reasonably and lawfully carrying out any of its responsibilities and/or duties and/or functions under any relevant legislation, agreement and this permit.

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ALIEN AND LISTED INVASIVE SPECIES: PERMIT



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CONDITIONS FOR HAVING IN POSSESSION OR EXERCISING PHYSICAL CONTROL OVER ROSE-RINGED PARAKEETS

19. The PASA must ensure that complete and accurate records of all members whom are in possession of Rose-ringed parakeet are kept.
20. All PASA members must ensure that records of Rose-ringed parakeet are kept.
21. The records must be made available on a computer-based system, paper records or any other retrieval system from which information can be easily extracted.
22. Provision should be made for long-term archiving in a secure a computer-based system or paper based records format. These records must be kept and preserved for a period of 5 (five) years,
23. The records must be up to date and available for inspection at all times.
24. All records must be regularly backed-up and stored on off -site storage to avoid loss of information.
25. The records should provide the following information:

25.1. Information pertaining to the breeding operation:-

- (a) the name of the owner;
- (b) the number of aviaries designated for rose-ringed parakeets;
- (c) number of breeding pairs;
- (d) number of non-breeding birds;
- (e) number of birds bred annually;
- (f) number of birds loaned, exchanged and donated

25.2. Information per bird:

- (a) permanent tamper proof unique identification number of the bird;
- (b) sex of the birds in possession





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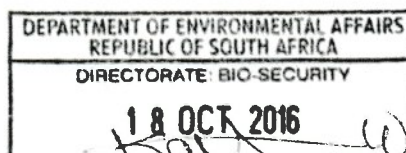
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- (b) sex of the birds in possession;
- (c) the date upon which each specimen was purchased or otherwise acquired (if known);
- (d) the full names, physical address and contact details of the person from whom each specimen was acquired; the origin of each specimen with sufficient information to trace the parent stock;
- (e) number of annual mortalities including the dates the species died;
- (f) disposal details of the species (the full names, physical address and contact details of the person to whom each specimen was disposed of).

25.3. Information on escapes:-

- (a) permanent tamper proof unique identification number of the bird;
- (b) date of escape;
- (c) details on the manner the species escaped;
- (d) control measures implemented;
- (e) outcome.

- 26. Written permission to keep the listed Rose-ringed parakeet must be acquired from the registered owner of the property on which the specimens are to be kept, if the PASA member is not the property owner.
- 27. The specimens must be kept in approved facilities as prescribed in the "PASA Code of Practice and Code of Good Conduct" at all times.
- 28. All hybrids (between species or subspecies) that might be produced must be disposed of in a manner that will prevent or minimise harm to the biodiversity.
- 29. No specimens may be loaned, sold, donated, exchanged or transported to non-members of PASA without a permit from the Issuing authority.
- 30. Animals held in captivity under permit should not be liberated nor attempts made to liberate them





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31. The permit holder has a legal obligation to prevent permit animals being at large.
32. The Issuing Authority reserves the right to conduct inspections or investigations and to withhold or cancel any permits.

CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO TRANSPORTATION OF ROSE-RINGED PARAKEETS

33. Capture and transport of live birds must be done in accordance with the provisions set out in the following:
 - (a) Animals Protection Act, 1962 (Act 71 of 1962); and
 - (b) The International Air Transport Association (IATA) specifications.
34. Escape and tamper proof transport cages must be used when transporting live birds.

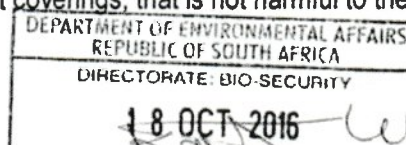
CONDITIONS APPLICABLE IN TERMS OF THE SELF-REGULATING RULES OF PASA

35. All members of PASA exempted in terms of this permit must comply with the Code of Practice of PASA including the housing, handling, breeding and transport of the Rose-ringed Parakeets.
36. PASA must issue their members with alien and invasive species movement booklet

ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO AVIARIES OF ROSE RINGED PARAKEETS

CAGE REQUIREMENTS

37. All aviaries or enclosures for restricted keeping birds must comply with the following:
 - (a) Have double doors to the exterior,;
 - (b) Be securely fastened to a concrete base or otherwise pegged to the ground with netting and post uprights buried at least 30 cm into the ground,
 - (c) Have netting laid under breakable sheet coverings such as PVC or fiberglass, or any other acceptable sheet coverings, that is not harmful to the animals,





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- (d) Have correct load bearing structural materials within the framework of the aviary,
- (e) Maximum wire spacing should be, 25X50mm maximum, 1.5mm minimum thickness of wire;
- (f) General standard of the cages must be overall in good condition to ensure that birds cannot escape.

TRADE / SALE OF BIRDS

- 38. All members of PASA will receive alien and invasive species movement booklet as a traceability management system.
- 39. All breeders must issue alien and invasive species movement receipt to their buyers. The receipt must include information as stipulated in condition 44.
- 40. All birds must be fitted with permanent tamper proof unique identification devices. A person can only dispose of animals kept under a permit to other permit holders.

REPORTING AND COMMUNICATION

- 41. PASA must provide the DEA with the Monitoring, Control and Eradication Plans for feral Rose-ringed parakeets.
- 42. The PASA must provide the DEA with the names of all current members and any new individuals affiliated with the said association must be submitted annually on the 1st July.
- 43. PASA must on a quarterly basis update DEA in writing with names of members that have been issued with alien and invasive species movement booklet.
- 44. The association must inform the affiliated individuals of the responsibility to take all the necessary steps to prevent the escape of species of concern thereof; and must take all necessary steps to control any escapees





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of the Rose-ringed Parakeet. If any members are found to be non-compliant, the agreement between DEA and PASA will be deemed null and void.

45. The association must inform the affiliated individual of the responsibility to report any escapees of the Rose-ringed Parakeet to the DEA as soon as possible but not later than 24 hours of noticing such escape, reporting shall include:
- (a) Name and address of the owner;
 - (b) Breeders' affiliation code and/or unique number;
 - (c) Permanent tamper proof unique identification number each specimen that has escaped;
 - (d) Area/location were last sighted;
 - (e) Date of the incident;
 - (f) Measures taken and to be taken to prevent future escapes and to control the escaped specimen(s).

This reporting should be done telephonically and followed up in writing.

46. PASA members must keep and maintain records for any sales of listed invasive the Rose-ringed Parakeet. The records must provide the following information:
- (a) Names and physical addresses of the parties of the transaction;
 - (b) Association Breeders code of the breeder;
 - (c) Association permit number issued by DEA;
 - (d) Permanent tamper proof unique identification number
 - (e) Date of transaction.

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

47. PASA must conduct pre-inspections on all its current and future members to ensure that its members adhere to cage requirements and permit conditions.





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48. PASA must, on a yearly basis, for the duration of the permit period, conduct inspections on 10% of their members throughout the country to assess the condition of the cages and send DEA inspection reports on a quarterly basis.
49. DEA will randomly conduct inspections from time to time to evaluate whether PASA members are complying with these permit conditions, standards and applicable legislation

NON-ADHERENCE

50. PASA must immediately notify the DEA, in writing, if it comes to their knowledge, of any of their members infringing on these standards and other relevant legislation. Such notification shall include the following details:
- (a) Name and physical address of the member;
 - (b) Area/location of activity;
 - (c) Date inspected;
 - (d) Type of infringement or non-compliance;
 - (e) Reporting officer including affiliation details.
51. Failure to comply with the provisions of the AIS Regulations, 2014 (as amended) or these permit conditions by PASA or its members may result in, but not limited to, the initiation of legal proceedings.

DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED ANIMALS

52. If introduced animals are no longer wanted, please contact DEA for advice on options for re-housing or proper disposal. Anyone who liberates, abandons or fails to take reasonable precautions to prevent the escape of the animal commits an offence.





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SHOWING OR AUCTION EVENTS

53. The associations must on a regular basis provide the DEA with information regarding events of the species of concern, the information shall include:
- (a) Proposed date of the showing (auctions) event;
 - (b) Location where the event will take place (including GPS coordinates);
 - (c) Envisaged number of Rose-ringed parakeets that will be used in the event;
 - (d) Proposed measures to be taken to prevent or reduce the risk of escapes at such events.

