



**The Experimental Aircraft Association of
South Africa**

RULES & REGULATIONS

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SECTION 1

RULES

1.1 Membership

To qualify as a member, the applicant shall complete an application form and forward it to the respective EAA Chapter Chairman together with the yearly fees as determined by the EAA of South Africa from time to time. Membership is renewable annually and is valid for a year January-December. Members of the EAA that build, fly, own or maintain non type certified aircraft shall also be members of EAA of South Africa National and are encouraged to become a member of Aero Club of South Africa.

The EAA of South Africa do not have their own Regulations but instead, conforms to Part 149 of the CARS and all relevant amendments as well as the following:

1.2 Pilot Qualification

As Per Part 61 & 62 of the CARS. For Non Type Certified aircraft

1.3 Flight Authorisation

For Non Type Certified Aircraft as per of the CARS.

1.4 Airworthiness of Non Type Certified Aircraft

As per Parts 24 of the CARS.

1.5 Operation of Non Type Certified Aircraft

As per Part 94 of the CARS.

1.6 Civil Aviation Regulations

ALL Civil Aviation Regulations shall be observed and complied with at all times by all members.

1.7 Rules of the Air

As per Part 91 General operating and Flight Rules of the CARS.

1.8 Instruction and Introduction

As per Part 61 & 62 of the CARS and CATS.

1.9 Use of radio communication

As per Part 91 of the CARS and the current Electronic Communications ACT.

SECTION 2

LICENCES - GENERAL

As per Part 61 & 62 of the CARS.

2.1 Medical Certificate

As per Part 67 of the CARS.

2.2 Age Limitations

As per Part 61 & 62 of the CARS.

2.3 Foreign Licence validations

As per Part 61 & 62 of the CARS.

SECTION 3:

EAA of South Africa

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and the Chapters are comprised of members with an interest in building, flying, or restoring their own aircraft or have an interest in experimental, vintage and veteran aircraft and sport or recreational flying. EAA gives members an opportunity to share ideas and experiences, get help with a difficult project, or even chat with another member who has common interests. The EAA has strong family values.

The EAA is not a governing body as all build applications, documents and numbers are regulated by the SACAA

The purpose of the EAA is to promote own design, building, restoration and flying of vintage and non-type certified aircraft for all South Africans through the provision of information assistance, camaraderie and educational programs aimed at development and participation in all levels of Sport and Recreational aviation within the relevant legislation.

SECTION 4

EAA Chapters

- 4.1 Promote, encourage, and facilitate an atmosphere where all are welcome to join-in and become a part of recreational aviation by holding monthly chapter meetings with minutes.
- 4.2 Promote, encourage, and foster an environment that celebrates and nurtures the participation of families and the spirit of volunteerism within the world of recreational aviation.
- 4.3 Promote, encourage, and facilitate an environment that fosters safety and high standards in the design, construction, restoration, and operation of all types of recreational aircraft.
- 4.4 Promote, encourage, and facilitate recreational aviation activities that provide educational opportunities, where available.
- 4.5 Promote a positive, productive, and cooperative relationship between the Chapter and those governmental agencies and private enterprises that provide aviation services and facilities to the benefit of members of the Chapter.
- 4.6 Promote, encourage, and facilitate Membership in the EAA
- 4.7 Support and promote the mission, vision, goals and objectives of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) through programs and initiatives within the Chapter family.
- 4.8 Ensure good corporate governance within the Chapter in all aspects of finances and control.
- 4.9 Have Fun.

SECTION 5

COMMUNICATION WITHIN THE EAA AND ITS CHAPTERS

5.1 Membership communication

E-mail

- E-mail will be the main form of daily communication to members.

Social Media

- EAA utilises Facebook, Twitter and various chat groups to communicate with members on news, events and general aviation information.

Monthly Meeting.

- The EAA will encourage all members to attend monthly Chapter meetings in their respective areas, and the Chapter chairmen to attend the Annual EAA of South Africa General Meeting.

Contact Newsletter.

- Chapter Chairman to ensure adequate content representing their chapters and activities are communicated in time (the editor will set the deadlines as necessary) to the persons compiling the EAA Contact Magazine.

5.2 Committee Communication

Committee Meetings.

- Committee meetings will be convened at least 2 times per year at a venue that is suitable to most committee members.
- All meetings to have sufficient notice period including meeting's date, time, venue and agenda to be available at least 7 days before the meeting. The meeting's agenda will always include a Finances. ARO status update, Membership update and Matters Arising.

SECTION 6

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE

The role of the EAA is to motivate its member to take responsibility, by means of a communication and information support system. It is therefore the responsibility of every EAA member to adhere to the Rules and Regulations as set out in the EAA SA Code of Conduct and or EAA SA Manual of Procedures as well as respective SACAA SA-CARS, SA-CATS. Pilots are accordingly responsible for themselves, their aircraft, their passengers and or the property of others.

6.1 Reporting of breach of rules and regulations

The following procedure/process is to be followed when any infringement of the rules and or regulations as specified above are alleged.

- A written and signed complaint shall/must be received by the Executive Committee of EAA and or the relevant Chapter Chairman of the alleged infringement having taken place for the matter to be investigated and or decision to be made whether disciplinary proceedings are warranted. Where the complaint allegation is received by the Chapter Chairman, he/she shall immediately notify the National President thereof.
- The National President after consultation with the Executive Committee and the Chapter Chairman and where necessary appoint member(s) to serve on the ad-hoc disciplinary committee to fully investigate the matter and be convinced by the evidence available that an infringement of the rules and regulations occurred.
- If there is continued infringement then written notification of a Formal Disciplinary Hearing shall be sent to the alleged offender via email or registered letter, giving at least 14 days notice of the time, date, venue of the hearing and the allegation(s).
- The EAA Chapter Chairman must then take the appropriate action against the member(s) for said infringement of the rules and or regulations at the earliest convenience.
- At the discretion of the EAA Executive Committee, a Verbal Warning and or Written Warning where a formal Disciplinary Enquiry is not warranted and or appropriate.
- The EAA Executive Committee will appoint a person to chair the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing.
- Where a formal Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing is duly scheduled, the defendant notified thereof and afforded adequate opportunity to prepare a defence. The defendant will be responsible for their own cost to attend the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing.
- All meetings shall keep records of proceedings.
- The EAA of SA Executive Committee must be notified immediately of the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing outcome together with all supporting documentation detailing the Allegation(s), Finding and Sanction. Where necessary, this documentation will include any previous warnings and or disciplinary action.

- The EAA of SA Executive Committee, where appropriate shall hand the final outcome to the relevant authority for record keeping and or further action.
- Should the defendant wish to refer the outcome; upon receipt of a written request from the defendant, within 7 days of the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing, the EAA of SA Executive Committee will review the case and make a final decision. The defendant may then further appeal to the SACAA for review of the decision.
- The severity of the disciplinary action taken must take into account the seriousness of the offence, the consequences of the action, the defendant's past offences and the circumstances under which the offence took place.
- Should the defendant not attend the formal hearing and not offer a timeous and valid reason for their failure to appear, the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing may be held in absentia and the sanction handed down by the Chairman of the Disciplinary Enquiry/Hearing will be binding.