



South African Wood Preservers Association

Dear Members

SANS STANDARDS PROGRESS

The revisions of the SANS standards are slowly coming to completion. Two standards, SANS 457-2:2018 and SANS 753:2018 related to softwood poles, were approved in December 2018. SANS 10005 and SANS 754 are presently out as Draft South African standards for public comment, due to close by the end of February 2019. SANS 457-3 and SANS 1288 are lagging behind, but will hopefully advance to DSS stage in a month or so.

As previously agreed upon, SAWPA will supply licenced electronic copies of all new standards published after 2017 to class 1 members, including the aforementioned standards. Plants and preservative suppliers therefore need not buy the standards. We have already purchased licenced copies of the two approved standards. Due to the nature of the changes all the standards must come into effect at the same time, and therefore only once all the standards have been published will we commence with distributing the standards to members.

NRCS LEVIES DUE FOR PERIOD 18B (1 July to 31 December 2018)

The 31st of December marked the end of the declaration period for the second part of the 2018 NRCS levies due for payment. By the 31st of January 2019 plants are required to submit the type 5 declaration form 18B and pay the levies declared. If you did not receive the 18B declaration form containing your plants own specific NRCS client reference details on the form then you can make use of the generic form 18B obtainable from the SAWPA website at <http://www.sawpa.co.za/nrcs>. Please remember that the generic form does not contain your specific JDE or HEF client reference and you need to indicate this on the form. The 2018 type 5 levy of R1.20 per m³ is applicable to the declaration period.

AMENDED 2019 NRCS LEVIES

At the time of writing this newsletter the annual amendments to the NRCS fees have not been published as yet. Any Amended fees will only become payable at the end of June 2019 and SAWPA will notify members as soon as the amended levies becomes known.

REGIONAL MEETINGS

The first round of SAWPA regional meetings for 2019 are planned for the dates given below. Details of the venues will be made available as soon as we have confirmed them. The regional meetings form a platform where members can voice and discuss industry matters. Members are therefore encouraged to submit topics for discussions at the meetings and to attend and participate. If preparation is required by SAWPA for any proposal, then members must submit some background information together with the topic.

March 2019 Regional Meeting Schedule

Gauteng	Monday 4 March 2019
Mpumalanga	Wednesday 6 March 2019
Southern Cape	Friday 8 March 2019
Western Cape	Monday 11 March 2019
Limpopo	Wednesday 13 March 2019
KZN	Friday 15 March 2019

As usual all regional meetings will start at 10:00 am. Coffee/tea and refreshments will be available before the meeting starts, and a lunch will be served upon conclusion. For seating and catering arrangements please inform Judy at 011 974 1061 or admin@sawpa.co.za and state whether or not you will attend, and stay for lunch.

For future planning members can also diaries the following dates in September as the planned dates for the 2nd round of annual regional meetings. The specifics regarding these meetings will be confirmed closer to the time.

September 2019 Regional Meeting Schedule

Limpopo	Monday 2 September 2019
Southern Cape	Wednesday 4 September 2019
KZN	Friday 6 September 2019
Mpumalanga	Monday 9 September 2019
Western Cape	Friday 13 September 2019
Gauteng	Monday 16 September 2019

IRG50 QUEBEC CITY, CANADA – 12 TO 16 MAY 2019



With the successful hosting in 2018 of IRG49 in South Africa there may be an increased local interest to attend the annual IRG-WP conferences. The International Research Group on Wood Protection's annual conference IRG50 will be held in Quebec City, Canada from 12 to 16 May 2019. For more information on the conference please visit the website at <https://irg50.com>

NEWSLETTER OFFCUTS

- Please take note that the email addresses to SAWPA have changed. The main e-mail address is now admin@sawpa.co.za and Bruce's email is now bruce@sawpa.co.za. The old sawpa@global.co.za and vbb@global.co.za addresses will terminate in a couple of months.
- Members are reminded of the on product safety labels available from SAWPA. Please contact Judy at admin@sawpa.co.za or 011 974 1061.

Regards

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