

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT

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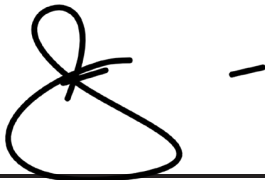
18 September 2026



NATIONAL ROAD TRAFFIC ACT

NOTICE: POWERS, DUTIES AND TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF A TRAFFIC WARDEN

I, **MAKHOSINI MSIBI**, in the capacity as the Chief Executive Officer of the Road Traffic Management Corporation and in terms of Section 3A of the National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (Act No 93 of 1996), has determined and hereby publish to all national, provincial and municipal road traffic law enforcement authorities the powers, duties of and training requirements for traffic wardens appointed in terms of Section 3A of the National Road Traffic Act (Act No 93 of 1996) as set out in the Schedule hereto.



ADVOCATE M.S MSIBI**RTMC CEO****DATE:** 09/09/2026

SCHEDULE:**1. MINIMUM TRAINING AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR TRAFFIC WARDENS**

Traffic Wardens must prior to registration undergo and obtain the appropriate qualification or skills programme which is:

- a. approved by the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) or relevant Sector Education and Training Authority (SETA);
- b. registered on the National Qualifications Framework under the Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework where applicable; and
- c. delivered at a Traffic Training Centre approved under the National Road Traffic Act, 1996 (Act No. 93 of 1996), in accordance with a curriculum determined by the Road Traffic Management Corporation.

2. POWERS AND DUTIES OF A TRAFFIC WARDENS

A traffic warden, subject to the provisions of National Road Traffic Act, (Act No 93 of 1996), the Criminal Procedure Act (Act No 51 of 1977) and the Adjudication of Road Traffic Offences Act (Act No 46 of 1998) or any other law may -

- a. Regulate and control traffic upon any public road, and such as may, in his or her opinion, be necessary for the safe and efficient regulation of the traffic.
- b. Patrol an area as assigned for the enforcement of applicable road traffic regulations.
- c. Perform all administrative activities and related duties.
- d. Provide administration services at vehicle pound facilities.
- e. Perform operator duties at a road traffic authority control room and/command centre.
- f. Arrest the offender without a warrant when offence is committed in his/her presence.
- g. Demand the full names and address of any person they have power to arrest, reasonably suspect of committing or attempting to commit an offence, or who might be able to give evidence regarding an offence.

- h. Issue Section 56 and Section 341 notices and or AARTO 31 Notices in respect of parking infringements, licence disc, registration number plates (display) and tyre roadworthiness only to parked vehicles at roadside.
- i. Secure and protect incident and accident scenes as a 1st responder when required.
- j. Conduct Point Duty and assist with road closures when required.
- k. Escort abnormal load vehicles.
- l. Inspect and verify permits and other documents related to abnormal vehicles.
- m. Provide escorts at funeral processions and other authorized slow-moving vehicles.
- n. Monitor pedestrian compliance with the rules of the road.
- o. Perform foot patrols.
- p. Provide roadside assistance to members of the public where necessary.
- q. Enforce parking by-laws (arranging for vehicles to be clamped or removed by the traffic tow-trucks to a designated traffic vehicle pound if necessary).
- r. Enforce vehicle licence disc regulations on parked vehicles.
- s. Enforce vehicle roadworthiness (smooth) tyres on parked vehicles.
- t. Enforce vehicle registration number plates (display) on parked vehicles.
- u. Enforce regulations on stray, injured and dead animals on public roads; and
- v. Enforce any road traffic by-law regulations on national, provincial and municipal roads.