



# *C-BRTA Presentation to Tshwane Tourism Association*

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## Background



- The Cross Border Road Transport Act (“C-BRT Act”), No. 4 of 1998, as amended, came into force on 01 April 1998.
- The C-BRT Act creates the Cross-Border Road Transport Agency (“C-BRTA”) and gives effect to various international agreements that regulates cross-border road transport.
- C-BRTA is responsible for the administration and implementation of the C-BRT Act.
- To provide for co-operative and coordinated provision of advice, regulation, facilitation and law enforcement in respect of cross-border road transport by the public and private sectors.



# Agency Functions

## REGULATORY

- Regulate market access through a permit administration process.

## LAW ENFORCEMENT

- Monitors the carriers through country-wide inspections; and
- Ensure that the carriers operate within the prescribed legal parameters.

## FACILITATION

Ensure that consultations and partnerships with other key role players within SA and SADC are fostered and maintained.

## ADVISORY

- Advise the Minister on cross border road transport policy; and
- Advise the Minister on strategies to counteract restrictive measures implemented by other states.



# Road Transport Agreements

AGREEMENTS	DATE SIGNED	SIGNATORY COUNTRIES
SADC Protocol on Transport, Communications & Meteorology	24 August 1996	Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, SA, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia & Zimbabwe
SACU MoU on Road Transportation in Common Customs Area	4 September 1990	Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia, SA, Swaziland
Bi-lateral agreement on road transportation	3 March 1997	Malawi
	5 May 1997	Mozambique
	8 October 1996	Zambia
	20 March 1997	Zimbabwe



# Benefits for Permit Holders

## OPERATORS

- Support in neighbouring countries through the International relations desk;
- Support and networking opportunity with other operators through operators' forums;
- Access to existing operator development programmes including training and workshops, coaching and mentorship programmes;
- Access to research studies;
- Access to Market intelligence; and
- Access to promotional platforms.





# Application Requirements

- Compliance to NRTA\*
- Valid tax clearance\*
- Promotion of small business and HDI\*
- Submission of consignment notes
- Law enforcement profile\*
- Compliance to country specific requirements.

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- Submission of passenger lists
- Need for the service
- Ability to render the service
- Public interest
- Compliance to country specific requirements

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- Copy of ID or business registration documents
- Copy of ID of person responsible vehicle fleet
- Valid vehicle roadworthy and clearance certificate

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Applicant and or representative to appear before Regulatory Committee.

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# Tourist Permit Applications

Tourists applications can be divided into two sections namely:

- Temporary permits – valid for 14 days
  - These applications are received, checked for compliance and issued within 1-3 days.
- 1 (One)/ 5 (Five) Year permits
  - These applications are received and checked for compliance.
  - The application is then advertised in the government gazette for a period of 21 days to accord interested and or affected parties an opportunity to make representations.
  - The application is considered by the Regulatory Committee in an Closed Hearing.
  - Inform the applicant of the decision taken by the Regulatory Committee.
  - Issue the permit.





## Application Criteria (1)

An applicant must submit the following documents in support of its application for a tourist permit:

- A certified copy of the Companies Registration Document, or in the case of a one-man business, a certified copy of the owner's identity document or passport or a certified copy of the National Information System Number.
- An original or certified copy of a Motor Vehicle License and Roadworthy Certificate in respect of each vehicle being applied for.
- The vehicle to be used has to be registered in the name of the Carrier unless written proof of a lease agreement is provided which must be signed by the Lessor and the Lessee and two (2) witnesses
- Original or certified copy of a valid Tax Clearance Certificate-Good Standing, which is obtainable from the South African Revenue Service (SARS).



## Application Criteria (2)

- ITINERARY: Submit a full itinerary for the journey, in which towns, cities destination and border posts that will be travelled on, or through are mentioned.
- Proof of passenger liability Insurance must be submitted before a temporary permit can be issued.
  - Two million rand in respect of 16 – 39 seater vehicle
  - Three million rand in respect of 40 – and more seater vehicle
  - Four million rand in respect of a double decker bus



## Standard Conditions (1)

The conveyance of tourists shall be subject to the following conditions:

- No repetitive daily scheduled services operated with a time table will be undertaken by the permit holder;
- The tourists travel in a group and that all tourists comprising such a group shall embark and disembark as a group;
- The driver of the vehicle to which the permit relates or any other person accompanying the driver must be registered as a tourist guide for the relevant geographical area in which the conveyance takes place or be registered as a specialist tourist guide appropriate to that area or relevant matter;



## Standard Conditions (2)

- A permit shall be valid for the use of one self-propelled vehicle at any one time for the vehicle which the registration number is indicated on the permit.
- The permit shall be used by the authorised carrier to whom it is issued and shall not be transferable.
- The passengers must be protected by a valid passenger liability insurance cover.
- The driver of the vehicle shall at all times be in possession of a valid driver's license and public driving permit.
- The passengers lists must be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) not later than 30 days after the end of the calendar month.
- After the expiry date the permit must be returned to the CEO not later than 30 days after the date, by hand or registered post.



## Historic Data (Tourist)

COUNTRY	2015/2016	2016/2017	PERCENTAGE
Regional	1 925	2 455	27%



# Existing Opportunities

Opportunities exist for domestic operators to expand into cross-border taking advantage of:

## Annual Events

- **Cultural**
  - reed dance in South Africa (KZN) and Swaziland
- **Festivals**
  - Cape Town International Jazz Festival
  - Swaziland Bushfire Festival
  - Botswana Maitisong Festival & Desert Race

## Weekend Packages

- **Historical**
  - South Africa (e.g. Robben Island, Cradle of Human kind, Apartheid Museum, big hole, Vilakazi street in Soweto)
- **Eco-tours;**
  - Botswana (e.g. Okavango)
  - Mozambique (e.g. Cathedral, islands and parks)
  - Zimbabwe (e.g. Victoria Falls)
  - Namibia (e.g. Red Sand Dunes)
  - Lesotho (e.g. Maletsunyane falls)

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