

## **ELIGIBILITY TO BE IN THE FORUM**

All Sector Sub-Forum members in good standing, and not specifically excluded in terms of this Constitution, shall be eligible to be voted into the Forum and the Management Committee of the Forum.

The following persons shall not hold elected positions in the Forum:

- Serving employees of law enforcement agencies and the security services of the Republic listed at section 199 (1) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, including, the SAPS, South African National Defence Force, the National Intelligence Agency, Metropolitan Police Departments, the Traffic Police Departments and the Department of Correctional Services.
- SAPS Reservists;
- Persons with a criminal record;
- Owners and employees of private security companies or service providers;
- Persons who are not citizens of the Republic of South Africa;
- Persons under the age of 18 years;
- Persons holding political positions and responsibilities in public office; and,
- Employees of the Provincial Secretariat for the Police Service who are responsible for police oversight.

## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

- Members of the Forum and its structures shall not promote any party politics when dealing with Forum matters.
  - Members must not use any abusive language or make sexist or racist remarks.
  - No member shall utilise the Forum or SAPS logo or emblem for personal or private gain.
  - Members of the SAPS working with the Forum shall behave and act in a manner that promotes community police relations and, if such members are expected to carry out duties which will enable the Forum to perform its function, do so without fail.
  - Members of the Forum shall agree to have their fingerprints taken for the purpose of security clearance.
  - Members of the Forum must declare any conflict of interest and not participate on matters where there is a conflict of interest.
  - Members must behave in a diplomatic, professional, controlled and dignified manner when dealing with each other and with the general public.
  - Forum members and members of the Service shall not be actively involved in Forum and CPF matters whilst under the influence of liquor, drugs and all other illegal intoxicating substances.
  - Members of the Forum and Service shall not abuse their positions to bring the Forum and its sub structures into disrepute.
  - Any member who contravenes the Code of Conduct and Forum Constitution shall be dealt with in accordance with the disciplinary process referred to in annexure C and may be suspended pending a disciplinary hearing.
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