



3rd Meeting of the AEWA White-winged Flufftail International Working Group
5–7 November 2019, Dullstroom, South Africa

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

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1. Meeting dates and venue

The meeting will be held from **Tuesday 5 November to Thursday 7 November** (this being the field day) at the **Verlorenkloof Estate** in Dullstroom, Mpumalanga province, South Africa.

The meeting will be opened at **08:30 on Tuesday 5 November** and is scheduled to finish at **17:00 on Thursday 7 November 2019**.

[Verlorenkloof Estate](#)
Dullstroom, Mpumalanga province
South Africa

How to get to the meeting venue:

International delegates will be traveling to OR Tambo International Airport (Johannesburg). There will be a shuttle bus available to take you to the Verlorenkloof Estate, which is an approx. 2-hour drive. A driver will be waiting for you in the arrival hall holding a placard with the AEWA logo. If you have encountered delays during your travel, please contact us at the phone numbers below so that we can re-arrange for your airport pick-up.

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3. Working language, documents and WiFi

The meeting language will be English.

Please note that documents will not be distributed during the meeting, therefore, participants are kindly requested to bring their own copies, if required. Documents will be made available online and free wireless internet will be provided throughout the meeting. It is, however, advisable to download all documents before the meeting as the internet is not very reliable.

4. Meals

For all delegates, meals are included in the accommodation rate and are covered by the Department of Environmental Affairs of South Africa. This also applies to the arrival and departure days. Please note that

either one bottle of water or one bottle of soda is included in each meal. Any extras will be charged to you personally.

Breakfast will be served from 07:00 – 09:00h.

There will be a lunch buffet between 12:30 – 14:00h.

Coffee, tea and snacks will be served during the coffee breaks and a supply of water will be provided throughout the meeting.

Dinner will be served in the Restaurant on the ground floor between 19:00 – 21:00h.

5. Field trip

A field trip to Middelpunt Wetland and BirdLife South Africa Rallid Survey research site is being organized on **Thursday, 7 November**.

Packed lunches, including a vegetarian and gluten free option, will be distributed on the Thursday morning.

6. Passport and visa requirements

Visitors to South Africa must obtain a visa prior to arrival to South Africa, unless they come from one of the visa exempt countries:

<http://www.dha.gov.za/index.php/immigration-services/exempt-countries>

All visitors must hold a passport valid for 6 months.

7. Information for funded delegates

Your costs for international travel, local travel within South Africa, accommodation and the planned field trip will be fully covered by the Department of Environmental Affairs.

8. Time zone and weather

The average temperature in Dullstroom in November is usually warm at 25°C during the day. At night temperatures can drop to 13°C. The weather in November is somewhat dry with sporadic rain.

South Africa is in the Central Africa Time zone (GMT +2 hrs).

9. What to pack

- Appropriate clothing for warm, cool or rainy weather
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Mosquito repellent
- Sunscreen, hat
- Torch (The site is rich in archaeology & biodiversity, so you are welcome to walk around, even at night)
- 2-pin plugs

10. Voltage and plugs

In **South Africa** the standard **voltage** is 230 V and the frequency is 50 Hz. You can use your electric appliances in **South Africa**, if the standard **voltage** in your country is in between 220 - 240 V (as is in the UK, Europe, Australia and most of Asia and **Africa**).

The power plugs and sockets are of type D, M and N.



11. Currency

South Africa's currency is the South African Rand. The dollar exchange rate as of 1 October 2019 is 15.086.

12. Useful numbers

Country dialling code: +27

City dialling code: (0)13

Ambulance: 10177

Police: 10111

Fire Brigade: 998/999

UNEP/AEWA Secretariat: +49 228 815 2455/2413 (landline)

13. Disclaimer

The UNEP/AEWA Secretariat disclaims all responsibility for medical, accident and travel insurance, compensation for death or disability compensation, loss of or damage to personal property and any other loss that may be incurred during travel time or the duration of the meetings. In this context, it is strongly recommended that all meeting participants secure international medical and travel insurance for the period of travel and the duration of the meeting, prior to their departure.