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Department:
Defence
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



MILITARY SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM (MSDS) 2017

BACKGROUND

THE MILITARY SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM (MSDS)

The South African Army, through its Military Skills Development System (MSDS), is offering young South African citizens an opportunity to serve in uniform over a two-year period. The Military Skills Development System is a two-year voluntary service system with the long term goal of enhancing the SA National Defence Force's deployment capability.

Successful MSDS candidates will be appointed in a specific **mustering** and will be called up to a Training Unit, where members will complete their Basic Military Training, **specific mustering** and functional training in the first year and be utilized or deployed in the second year of the MSDS.

Requirements:

- . No dual citizenship be a South African citizen only
- . Grade 12 Applicants must be between the ages of 18-22 years
- . Graduates and/or other Tertiary Qualification up to the age of 25 years
- . Successfully completed Grade 12 (preferable with university entrance)
- . Leadership potential
- . Not be area bound
- . Have no criminal offence record or pending cases
- . Comply with medical fitness requirements for appointment in the SANDF
- . Be prepared to serve in uniform, undergo Basic Military and Functional Training

Training:

The SA Army's mandate focuses on the provisioning of combat ready forces and plays a leading role in landward operations. Training will be decentralized to operational units where members will be appointed to undergo Basic Military Training, **mustering** training and be deployed as per **requirements** of the South African Army.

Incomplete forms will not be considered. Only applicants who have passed Grade 12 may apply and must not be older than the age as stipulated above on the date of reporting for training. Certified copies of ID document, Grade 12 certificate or Post grade 12 qualifications and CV must accompany this application form to SA Army Recruitment, Private Bag X 981, Pretoria, 0001.

N.B. During the selections, the applicants will be subject to Psychometric evaluations; Medical Evaluation; Vetting and Verification of qualifications.

ENQUIRIES AND APPLICATIONS

Administrative enquiries can be directed to the SA Army MSDS Section (012) 355 2130 or (012) 355 1420. If you are interested in the Military Skills Development System in the SA Army, please complete the coupon with the requested documentation enclosed and post it to:

SA Army HQ, Chief Army Corporate Services, Directorate Army Human Resources, Private Bag X 981, Pretoria, 0001.

Specific related enquiries can be directed to (012) 355 1420 or (012) 355 2130. Further information can be obtained on www.dod.mil.za, www.army.mil.za

Should you not hear from Department of Defence by **31 October 2016** please consider your application unsuccessful.

COMBAT AND SUPPORT MUSTERINGS

Please indicate **ONE** mustering of your choice (Mark with an X in the corresponding block below)

☐ Combat mustering

☐ Support mustering

Please complete the following:

Biographical information

First names:

Surname:

ID Number:Citizenship:

Tel (H): Tel (W):

Your Cell no. Your parents cell no.

Any other contact no. I will be years on 1 January 2017

Postal address:

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Code: Nearest major town/city:

Province, gender and race (for statistical purpose, please mark with an X)

Province: ☐ Gauteng ☐ E Cape ☐ Free State ☐ N Cape

☐ Limpopo ☐ Mpumalanga ☐ W Cape ☐ North West ☐ KZN

Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female

Race: ☐ African ☐ Indian ☐ Coloured ☐ White

Grade 12: ☐ Completed ☐ Year of completion

Tertiary Qualifications

☐ National Diploma ☐ Degree ☐ N6

My Grade 12 subjects and levels are as follows:

Subject	LEVEL

Signature of applicant:Date:

This coupon serves as a document for pre-selection

**MSDS APPLICATION COUPON
CLOSING DATE: 29 FEBRUARY 2016**

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SOUTH AFRICAN AIR FORCE



APPLICATION FOR MILITARY SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM (MSDS) - 2026 INTAKE

PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING

Biographical information

First Name
Surname
Birth Country
Citizenship
ID No
Your Cell No
Alternative 1
Alternative 2
Residential
Address

Town/City
Province
Postal code

Province, gender and race (for statistical purposes, please select one)

Province: Gauteng Eastern Cape Free State
Northern Cape Mpumalanga Western Cape
North West KwaZulu Natal (KZN) Limpopo
Gender: Male Female
Race: African Asian
Coloured White

Tertiary Qualifications

N6 3 Year Diploma Degree

Attach Proof of residence and/ or letter from Village Chief, your CV and Copies of: ID, Matric Certificate (only statement of results for 2024 will be accepted) and Tertiary Qualifications

Other Requirements

Applicants will be subjected to drug testing, Psychometric and medical evaluation, verification of Criminal record, prescreening and verification of Qualifications.

Related Enquiries: Tel: 012 351 4126/4173/4157

Website: www.af.mil.za

Signature of Applicant

Date

If you have not been contacted by 31 December 2025, kindly consider your application to be unsuccessful.

MSDS APPLICATION CLOSING DATE: 28 March 2025

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BACKGROUND

The South African Air Force, through its Military Skills Development System (MSDS), is offering young South African citizens an opportunity to serve in uniform on a two-year contract. The Recruits will receive military training and further functional training in their first year of service. During the second year of service they will be deployed where needed and given opportunity to apply their knowledge and develop their skills.

General Requirements:

- RSA Citizen (No dual citizenship).
- 18 – 22 years of age (Gr 12) Mathematics, Physical Science and English (Level 4).
- 18 – 26 (3 years Tertiary Qualification or N6) when reporting.
- Have no criminal record or pending cases.
- Comply with medical fitness requirements for the appointment.
- No Visible tattoos (Legs, lower arm, neck and face)

Select one of the following: **Pilot** **Navigator**

PILOT / NAVIGATOR requirements:

- Admission Point Score (APS) of 24 and above, excl Life Orientation.
- Members with Commercial Pilots License (CPL) not older than 24 years when reporting, completed Gr 12 with Mathematics, Physical Science and English minimum (Level 4).
- No Hearing Impairment (No hearing aid).
- Have 6/6 eye vision (No contact lenses or corrective lenses or surgery).

Required measurements:

Minimum Height - 160 cm, Maximum Height - 190 cm
Minimum Weight - 53 kg, Maximum Weight - 102 kg

ENGINEER REQUIREMENTS:

Admission Point Score (APS) of 35, excl Life Orientation (LO).

Select one of the following:

Industrial Engineering	Electronic / Electrical Engineering
Civil Engineering	Mechanical Engineering
Chemical Engineering	Aeronautical Engineering
Computer Engineering	Mechatronics.

TECHNICAL TRADE REQUIREMENTS:

Admission Point Score (APS) of 20, Mathematics and Physical Science (Level 3+) excl Life Orientation (LO).

Select one of the following in apprenticeship:

Electrical Trade	Electronic Trade
Mechanical Trade	Civil Construction Trade

Hand deliver your application to the nearest recruitment centre or via post at SA Air Force Recruitment postal address:

SA Air Force Base Swartkop (West), Recruitment Section
Private Bag X05, Valhalla, Pretoria, 0001,

