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**TRAVELLING TO AFRICA AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE 2024**

As South Africa prepares to welcome the world to the 12<sup>th</sup> edition of the Africa Aerospace and Defence (AAD) trade exhibition and Air Show, taking place between 18 and 22 September 2024, the organisers are promising a memorable Airshow for the members of the public.

The much-anticipated Aerospace and Defence Air show, which promises to be thrilling aerobatics and displays by a diverse array of aircrafts, is scheduled for the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024. Around 60,000 spectators are expected to attend this year's Airshow,

AAD has partnered with the City of Tshwane and Gautrain Management Agency to provide Airshow ticket holders with safe, reliable, comfortable and seamless transport service to and from the event. The Park-and-Ride service will run at regular intervals from multiple designated parking locations, offering secure and monitored parking facilities for the patrons. The service will cater for all spectators of the Air Show, including for individuals with disabilities.

"This year's Air show, which promises to be bigger and better, will deliver spectacular, world-class demonstrations featuring aircrafts you've never seen before," says AAD Exhibition Director, Ms Nakedi Phasha.

**The Park-and-ride services will be available as follows:**

**City of Tshwane busses**

The busses will shuttle between 05:00am and 08:00pm on a continuous basis and will depart from the following pickup points:

- The Armscor offices on Nossob Dr, Erasmusrand
- 68 Air School on Snake Valley Road
- Swartkops Memorial Grounds on Snake Valley Road, Valhalla

From the show, the busses will be available until 20:00 and will depart from Dastek Sasol Garage.

**Gautrain bus service**

A complimentary Gautrain midibus shuttle service will also be available between the Gautrain Centurion Station and the Waterkloof Air Force Base on a rotational basis on both public Air show days.

- The first midibus will depart from Gautrain Centurion Station at 05:30
- The last midibus will depart from Waterkloof Air Force Base at 19:00

Event goers using the Gautrain midibus service will access the fast-track entrance when they arrive at the Air show.

### Prohibited items

- Weapons
- Drugs
- Flammable items or liquids
- Recording Equipment
- Own food and beverages, including alcohol
- Glass
- Umbrellas, chairs, blankets, sleeping bags or tents
- Bicycles, skateboards, scooters or personalised motorised vehicles.
- Animals
- Water guns, squirt guns, spray bottles or misters
- Musical instruments, noisemakers or air horns
- Professional cameras, flash cameras or video and audio recordings equipment or camera poles.
- Radio Transmitters
- No Laser Devices
- No Two-way Radios
- No Remote Control
- No Drones of any kind or size to be flown within a 10km radius around AFB Waterkloof
- No Portable Wi-Fi devices
- No Radio Communication Receivers capable of tuning
- No Radio Scanner

### Road closures

Please be advised that several roads around the vicinity of Waterkloof will be closed for the duration of the event. The following road closures will be in effect:

1. **R21 and M10 (Solomon Mahlangu Drive):** Hard locks at the junction where the R21 meets the M10 at Solomon Mahlangu Drive, for traffic coming from Kempton Park.
2. **Veldpou Street near Sasol Dastek:** A hard lock will be in place on Veldpou Street, close to the Sasol Dastek area.
3. **Trichardt Road and Kruger Avenue:** For those coming from Centurion, there will be a hard road closure at the intersection of Trichardt Road and Kruger Avenue.

### Airshow tickets

Tickets are still available for the Air Show enthusiasts and can be purchased at Ticketpro by following the link below.

<https://www.ticketpro.co.za/>

President Cyril Ramaphosa will officially open the AAD 2024 on September 18, 2024. Other dignitaries in attendance will among others include the Minister of Defence and Military Veterans, Ms Angie Motshekga, and her deputies, General Bantu Holomisa and Mr Richard Mkhungo; Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Defence from various countries, Members of Parliament and Gauteng Premier Panyaza Lesufi.



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**About AAD**

*The Africa Aerospace and Defence (AAD) is an important event in the calendar of the defence industry. Hosted biannually, AAD is the only and largest aerospace and defence Exhibition and Air Show on the African continent. The event holds a flagship status in South Africa's, and indeed the Continent's, defence industry's calendar. The trade show has continued to grow with each edition and will once again bring together some of the world's major industry players to showcase the latest technological innovations in aviation, aerospace and defence industries as well as stage a platform to engage in dialogue and discourse on international defence, aerospace and other related best practices.*

