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Dear SCFPA member,

Please be aware of the legal implications of an unattended property as stated in the National Veld and Forest Fire Act 101 of 1998:

CHAPTER 5:

Readiness for firefighting

17. (1) Every owner on whose land a veldfire may start or burn or from whose land it may spread must—

(b) ensure that in his or her absence responsible persons are present on or near his or her land who, in the event of fire, will—

- (i) extinguish the fire or assist in doing so; and
- (ii) take all reasonable steps to alert the owners of adjoining land and the relevant fire protection association, if any.

(2) An owner may appoint an agent to do all that he or she is required to do in terms of this section.

The SCFPA highly recommend that all members have a responsible person on the property at all times. If the above is not possible, a written/verbal agreement with adjacent landowners or an independent agent must be in place to assist with firefighting in the event the owner of the property is absent.

For any additional information, please contact our office at:

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Kind regards,

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Geagte SKBBV lid,

Wees asseblief bewus van die wetlike implikasies van 'n onbewaakte eiendom soos uiteengesit in die Nasionale Veld- en Bosbrand Wet 101 van 1998:

HOOFSTUK 5:

Gereedheid vir brandbestryding

17. (1) Elke eienaar op wie se grond 'n veldbrand kan ontstaan of van wie se grond 'n brand kan versprei moet -
- (b) verseker dat in sy of haar afwesigheid, verantwoordelike persone op of naby sy of haar eiendom is, wat in die geval van 'n brand-
 - (i) die brand sal blus of sal help om dit te doen; en
 - (ii) alle redelike stappe neem om die eienaars van aangrensende grond en die betrokke brandbeskermingsvereniging, indien enige, in kennis te stel.
- (2) 'n Eienaar kan 'n agent aanstel om alles, in terme van hierdie artikel, te doen.

Die SKBBV beveel sterk aan dat daar ten alle tye 'n verantwoordelike persoon op elke lid se eiendom is. As bogenoemde nie moontlik is nie moet 'n skriftelike / mondelinge ooreenkoms met aangrensende grondeienaars, of 'n onafhanklike agent, aan gegaan word om te help met brandbestryding as die eienaar afwesig is.

Vir enige verdere informasie, kontak ons gerus by:

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Vriendelike groete

Die Suid-Kaap Brandbeskermings vereniging

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