

CHAPTER 13 CHAMBERS

Duties and functions

34. The Chambers of THETA are established to represent the views, interests and expertise of the major sub-sectors of the sector and to provide expert advice and strategic information to THETA through the Executive Committee to enable appropriate recognition of the sub-sectors' education and training needs in the sector skills plan, business plan and budget, learnerships, quality assurance activities and such other activities as are undertaken by THETA.

Composition

35. There shall be no fewer than five chambers established for the following sub-sectors:
- 35.1 Hospitality Chamber, representing –
 - 35.1.1 accommodation services, including hotels, motels, hostels, guest houses, guest farms and bed-&-breakfasts; self-catering/time shares, camps and caravan parks; resorts and game lodges; to sport and recreation bodies; and
 - 35.1.2 food preparation, catering and food and beverage services, including restaurants, licensed clubs and fine dining; bars, pubs and taverns; fast food outlets, snack bars, canteens and kiosks; industrial and contract caterers; function and outside caterers; club administration operations;
 - 35.2 Travel and Tourism Services Chamber, representing –
 - 35.2.1 retail and general travel operations, including travel agencies, tour operators and guides; destination management operators; venue management;
 - 35.2.2 tourism services, including tourism marketing and development agencies and companies; tourism authorities, commissions and boards; tourist information centres; tourism industry associations;
 - 35.2.3 motor car rental services; and
 - 35.2.4 inbound international airline operators;
 - 35.3 Gambling and Lotteries Chamber, representing –
 - 35.3.1 gaming and gambling, including licensed casinos and other licensed table, electronic and slot machine gaming outlets; licensed clubs and other slot gaming outlets; licensed gambling, betting and bookmaking operators; totalisators and lottery operations; horse racing clubs;

35.4 Conservation and Leisure Chamber, representing –

35.4.1 leisure and special attractions, including special events, conventions, exhibitions and festivals; event, conference, festival and attraction venue management; fun fairs and parks; rafting, abseiling, hang-gliding, bungee-jump and other adventure tourism operators;

35.4.2 wildlife conservation including wildlife parks, game reserves and zoological establishments; camp and conservation park management; trekking and safari operators; botanical gardens;

106. Sport and Recreation Chamber, representing –

106.1.1 sport or recreation services or facilities to sporting bodies, universities sports persons or the public at large;

106.1.2 event management; sponsorship; sports media and allied activities;

106.1.3 any kind of sports and recreation events, outdoors or indoors, for professionals or amateurs, and the operation of the facilities in which these are performed;

106.1.4 the operation of facilities for all sports, arenas and stadiums;

106.1.5 sporting events and the activities of sportsmen, sponsors, athletes, judges, umpires, referees, timekeepers, instructors, teachers, coaches, other technical officials and administrators;

106.1.6 gymnasiums, health and lifestyle clubs, aerobics and fitness centres and activities;

106.1.7 sport and game schools;

106.1.8 hunting for sport or recreation;

106.1.9 parks and beaches, fairs and shows of a recreational nature;

106.1.10 the racing trust, jockey club and jockey associations;

106.1.11 recreational transport activities such as cable way transport at sightseeing places; and

107. Each chamber shall consist of:

107.1 one of the members of THETA representing organised employers and one representing organised labour, who shall be elected by THETA at its annual general meeting;

107.2 no more than 10 persons who are not members of THETA who shall be selected by THETA from nominees of the employee and employer organisations listed in Schedule 1, provided that they shall be chosen so as to ensure a representative coverage of the industries, occupations and enterprises that make up the sub-sector, including small business and employers from previously disadvantaged communities, and provided also that there shall be an equal number of persons representing organised employers and employees;

107.3 two persons representing technikons relevant to the chamber;

107.4 one of the members of THETA who is nominated by the Minister of Environmental Affairs and Tourism;

107.5 one of the members of THETA who is a representative of the Department of Sport and Recreation nominated by the Minister of Sport and Recreation;

107.6 one additional member by virtue of their expertise; and

107.7 the chief executive, or his or her nominee, who shall be the executive officer of the chamber.

108. The chairperson of each chamber shall be elected by its members from the members referred to in 107.1. The deputy chairperson of each chamber shall be elected by its members from the members referred to in 107.1 and 107.2.

Terms of office

109. The members of each chamber who were elected by THETA to membership of that chamber under 107.1 shall be members of the chamber to which they were elected from the conclusion of the annual general meeting at which they were elected until the conclusion of the next annual general meeting of THETA but one.

110. Members of each chamber chosen under 107.2 and 107.3 shall be appointed to be members until such time as their nomination is revoked by the representative organisation that nominated them or they resign or become incapable of carrying out their duties as members or are removed from membership by THETA.

111. The chairperson and deputy chairperson of each chamber shall hold office for a term of two years.

Meetings and procedure

112. The Chambers shall meet as often as necessary for the proper performance of their duties and functions but at least once in every six months, and shall regulate their meetings as they deem fit or as otherwise determined by THETA.

113. Meetings of a chamber may be convened by its chairperson, either of his or her own accord (after consultation with the deputy chairperson, the chief executive and the executive officer of the chamber if they are available) or whenever required to do so by at least one-third of the remaining members of the chamber. In the absence of the chairperson or deputy chairperson, the chief executive officer may exercise the powers of the chairperson under this clause to convene a meeting of the chamber.
114. The quorum necessary for the transaction of business by a chamber shall be seven of its members from time to time, provided that two of those members shall be other than members appointed under 106.2.
115. At meetings of a chamber, each member present shall have one vote and all questions shall be decided by a majority of votes. In the case of an equality of votes, the presiding officer of the meeting shall have a second or casting vote.
116. Any member of THETA who is not a member of the chamber shall be entitled to attend and speak at any meeting of the chamber but not to vote.
117. Recommendations of chambers may be made to any of the standing committees of THETA or to THETA.
118. The chairperson of a chamber or, in his or her absence, the deputy chairperson of the chamber shall preside at all meetings of the chamber. In the absence of both the chairperson and the deputy chairperson, the meeting shall choose a member present who is a member of THETA to preside at the meeting.
119. The person presiding at any meeting of a chamber shall ensure that minutes of such meetings are kept.