



# The Wingshooters Charter

*I, the undersigned member of the SA Wingshooters Association, hereby declare as follows:*

*I am a wingshooter and I deeply respect Life and the Creation. I respect the unique Culture of Wingshooting and I love the closeness with nature, the veld and the vleis, the mountains and the forests where gamebirds are found. I love the camaraderie of father and son, the closeness of mother and daughter, the fellowship of other wingshooters. I love and treasure the unique bond with my bird dog, who will go through fire and water and lay down his life for me.*

*As a wingshooter I strive to maintain a high standard of ethics and to specifically observe the Wingshooters Codes of Conduct as published. In particular, I pledge to:*

- 1. Place safety considerations above all,*
- 2. Observe the rule of empty and broken guns at all times,*
- 3. Foster and promote Conservation and the Sustainable Use Ethic,*
- 4. Avoid littering and leave nothing but footsteps,*
- 5. Always strive to improve my knowledge of the quarry and to obey the law,*
- 6. Have Respect for Life and the Codes of Conduct which flow from this,*
- 7. Avoid cruelty to quarry animals and recognise the basic needs of all sentient beings,*
- 8. Have respect for the landowners' rights,*
- 9. Care for bird dogs and allow them to express their hunting instincts with compassion, and to*
- 10. Foster and put something back into this unique cultural activity.*

*I also recognise and submit to the specific Disciplinary Procedures as published and will strive to observe and uphold the Constitution of the Association. I accept and confirm that the SA Wingshooters Association, or their officials, employees or associates, shall not be liable, jointly or severally, for any damage or claim as a result of any casualty, accident or shooting incident at or during my presence at or participation in or involvement in any way with shooting or the handling of guns or ammunition. I further certify that I, my executors, legal representatives, employers or next of kin shall have no legal claim against the SA Wingshooters Association, or their officials, employees or associates, collectively or individually, arising from any casualty, injury, lack of shooting quality, poor shooting venue or any liability whether inadvertent or through negligence or any other action or failure to act.*

*I pledge to foster and promote the Wingshooters Code and Culture in those who come after me and to leave to future generations a world that is in some measure a better place because of my presence.*

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INITIALS & SURNAME

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**PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM, SIGN, AND FAX BACK TO: 011-781 3486**