



# 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](http://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**

**THIS APPLICATION FORM IS NOT FOR SALE**

**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO EMPLOYMENT**

**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:**

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

**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:**

<b>Electrical Trade</b>	<b>Electronic Trade</b>
<b>Mechanical Trade</b>	<b>Civil Construction Trade</b>

**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,**

