

Role Overview

To promote and grow the JOTA-JOTI Programme within SCOUTS South Africa.

The SCOUTS South Africa National Coordinator JOTA/JOTI is responsible for planning, promoting, and overseeing the annual Jamboree-on-the-Air (JOTA) and Jamboree-on-the-Internet (JOTI) events within SCOUTS South Africa.

This includes liaising with the SCOUTS South Africa International Team, National Branch Programme Chairs, other NSO Coordinators and the WOSM JOTA-JOTI Team and other role players in the JOTA-JOTI space.

The National Coordinator ensures that these JOTA/JOTI events provide meaningful engagement opportunities for Scouts and Adult Leaders, fostering international connections through amateur radio and internet-based online communication.

This role provides an exciting opportunity to enhance international Scouting experiences and contribute to the development of young people through global communication and technology.

Key Responsibilities:**1. Event Planning and Coordination**

- Develop and implement a national strategy for increased JOTA/JOTI participation by all branches, Meerkats, Cubs, Scouts and Rovers.
- Coordinate and support Regional, District and local Scout Group JOTA/JOTI activities.
- Ensure compliance with World Scouting JOTA/JOTI guidelines and regulations.

2. Promotion and Engagement

- Promote JOTA/JOTI through national SSA communication channels.
- Encourage participation from Meerkats, Scouts, Cubs, Rovers, and Adult Leaders.
- Develop and distribute educational and promotional materials to enhance JOTA/JOTI event awareness and participation.

3. Liaison and Partnerships

- Work with the respective Regional Commissioners to appoint Regional JOTA/JOTI event coordinators.
- Liaise with the National Branch Programme Chairs and Regional JOTA-JOTI coordinators to identify needs and requirements to support the programme.
- Collaborate with Regional JOTA/JOTI coordinators, local amateur radio clubs and internet-based communication platforms to facilitate participation.
- Work with technical experts to provide guidance on amateur radio licensing and internet safety.
- Liaise with Girl Guides South Africa to encourage their joint participation in SSA JOTA/JOTI programme activities.
- Serve as the main point of SCOUTS South Africa contact with the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM) JOTA/JOTI Team.

4. **Support and Training**

- Provide guidance and training to Regional JOTA/JOTI coordinators, event organisers, and participating Scout Groups on JOTA/JOTI procedures and best practices.
- Ensure that participating Regions, Districts, Scout Groups have access to the necessary technical and programmatic resources.

5. **Safety and Compliance**

- Ensure that all activities comply with SCOUTS South Africa's child protection policies and internet safety guidelines.
- Ensure that all activities comply with WOSM's child protection policies and internet safety guidelines.
- Work with relevant authorities and local amateur radio clubs to ensure legal compliance for amateur radio operations.

6. **Reporting and Evaluation**

- Gather and compile reports on national participation and impact.
- Provide feedback and recommendations for future improvements.
- Submit reports to the National Team and WOSM as required.

7. **Key Skills and Competencies**

- Strong organisational and project management skills.
- Effective communication and promotional abilities.
- Familiarity with amateur radio operations and/or internet-based communication (preferred).
- Ability to work collaboratively with volunteers and external partners.
- Knowledge of SCOUTS South Africa's policies and the World Scouting framework.
- Commitment to youth development and Scouting values.

8. **Desired Qualifications and Experience**

- Experience in event coordination on a District, Regional or National level.
- Background in amateur radio, IT, or digital communication (preferred but not essential).
- Active involvement in SCOUTS South Africa as an Adult Leader.

9. **Accountability & Reporting Structure**

- **Reports to:** Chair: International Committee
- **Peers:** Other National Coordinators within SCOUTS South Africa
- **Supports:** Regional JOTA/JOTI Coordinators, Local Scout Groups, and JOTA/JOTI Event Organisers

10. **Appointment Procedure**

- **Term:** Appointed by the Chief Commissioner for a specified term
- **Process:** As described in Adult Support Policy.