

SAFE STADIUM INITIATIVE

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT OF MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS



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Introduction

The CAF safety and security department was established on 3rd February 2019. The department is committed towards establishing standards on the operations of safety and security across all member associations in Africa and thus has produced the first CAF Safety and Security Regulations to be fully implemented within Africa. In June 2024, the CAF Safety and Security Department conducted an online conference to introduce the **Safe Stadium Initiative** to all Member Associations General Secretaries and Presidents. At the launch, it was announced that the department is committed to train a total of 40 individuals per member association.

The department is also committed to the continuous training of CAF safety and security officers, National Safety and Security Officers, Club Safety and Security Officers as well as all strategic stakeholders responsible for safety and security operations during CAF and Member Associations football competitions and tournaments. CAF is therefore now ready to provide trainings in all interested Member Associations who wish to enhance stadium safety and security in their countries.

Objective

The mandate of the department is majorly to ensure the promotion of stadium safety and security culture in Africa, as well to enhance safety and security operations during CAF Competitions and Events, while supporting member association in the development of capacity for the delivery of safety and security services across Africa.

Classification of Participants.

- ✓ Club Safety and Security officers.
- ✓ Safety and security organizations.
- ✓ Regional safety and security coordinators.
- ✓ National safety and security team.
- ✓ Safety and security commission of the member association.



Responsibilities of CAF

- ✓ Development of a training program alongside with the host member association.
- ✓ Appoints CAF safety and security trainers.
- ✓ Develop training material
- ✓ Produce certificates for the participants.
- ✓ Facilitate the training process.
- ✓ Provide Sports equipment and Souvenirs
- ✓ Printing of regulations and other relevant documents
- ✓ Provide international flight ticket and Indemnity for CAF Safety and Security Department representative.

Responsibilities of Member Association

- ✓ Provision for accommodation full board for trainers and CAF representative.
- ✓ Provide international flight tickets and \$200 Indemnity per day for two instructors.
- ✓ Visa processing if required for the CAF delegation.
- ✓ Provision of local transport for CAF delegation.
- ✓ Making available a stadium for practical training.
- ✓ Transport arrangements for the participants, to and from the stadium.
- ✓ The member association must provide a venue for the training:
 - Projector,
 - Sound system,
 - Translations where applicable,
 - Meeting hall in a hotel / serene environment with air conditioning
 - Coffee breaks and lunch.
- ✓ Ensure that all participants for the workshop are in attendance.
- ✓ Appoint a workshop coordinator from the member association that will be responsible in liaison with the CAF team.

Conclusion

The core of successful safety management is a safety culture that pervades all levels of ground management, including commercial and marketing divisions, from the most senior level down to all stewards. Safety and security are critical since it is not just the set of laws or circumstances imposed by others, but rather the standard set from within that reflects a safety culture on the sports field. It is thus advised that member associations adopt a cheerful outlook to ensure that the CAF safety and security regulations are implemented efficiently and freely in all African Countries.

