



South African Institute of Range Officers and Instructors

SAIRO & I POLICY ON RANGE OFFICIAL UNIFORM

BACKGROUND

SAIRO & I wishes to portray an image of consistency and uniformity as regards the dress worn by its officials at SAPSA sanctioned matches. To facilitate this, a dress code is required.

These are not new requirements, as it used to be enforced from the early days of IPSC in South Africa. Apparel was indicative of their R/O capacity at any given match (level I & II). Even at club shoots the red shirt/cap was previously required. It can therefore not be seen as a “new requirement” that is going to increase costs for candidate officials.

POLICY

1. SHIRTS

There are two styles of red shirts that may be worn by Range Officials.

- 1.1 Red golf shirt, typically made of poly-cotton or a moisture management material, with or without a pocket on the left breast.

Following insignia to be used:

- 1.1.1 Left breast or the pocket - SAIRO & I logo directly on the shirt or pocket.
1.1.2 Above the pocket or directly above the SAIRO & I logo if no pocket - name (optional).
1.1.3 Right hand sleeve - IPSC logo.
1.1.4 Back of shirt – wording “Range Officer” or “Range Official” (optional).
1.1.5 Above the pocket or name – affix the magnetic “rank” badge as supplied by SAIRO & I.

All logos may be embroidered or screen printed.

These shirts may be worn at club and provincial matches, typically level I and II matches. T-shirts and faded, red golf shirts should not be worn as Range Official uniform.

- 1.2 Sublimated (printed) red shirts are made of a moisture management material, with a pocket, as provided by the supplier approved by the SAIRO & I Board.

Following insignia to be used:

- 1.2.1 Pocket - SAIRO & I logo.
1.2.2 Above the pocket - name (optional).

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- 1.2.3 Right hand sleeve - IPSC logo.
- 1.2.4 Back of shirt – wording “Range Official” (optional).
- 1.2.5 Above the pocket or name – affix the magnetic “rank” badge as supplied by SAIRO & I.
- 1.2.6 Left sleeve – may contain the name/s of a sponsor/s solicited by SAIRO & I (for all provinces). If a province obtains a sponsor for the shirts of officials *in that province*, such sponsor’s logo may be added, up to a maximum of two, i.e. no more than three logos shall appear on the left hand sleeve. Provinces may obtain their own sponsors in order to lower cost of shirts to officials. The SAIRO & I solicited sponsor/s shall have preference over a province’s sponsor/s. Logos of sponsors of individual officials (personal sponsors) will not be accommodated.

The sublimated shirts may be worn at all levels of SAPSA sanctioned matches. At level III, IV and V matches only these shirts may be worn as a token of uniformity.

1.3 Who Wears What:

All SAIRO & I registered officials (with application form submitted to Admin Officer and current SAPSA membership) i.e. TRO, PRO, NRO, CRO, RM, TSO, SO, CSO and SD may wear a red shirt containing the prescribed SAIRO & I insignia. No type of shirt is “rank indicative”, other than the tag worn.

2. PANTS/TROUSERS

Navy blue pants shall be worn as part of the Range Official uniform. These can be either long trousers or shorts. No baggy shorts or shorts that extend below the knees shall be worn as uniform. A belt, fitted through loops, shall be worn. Pants/trousers which hang below waist level shall not be worn as uniform.

3. FOOTWEAR

Only closed shoes shall be worn with Range Official uniform; no sandals or slops. Socks shall be anklets or full length onto the calf, and of a colour to match the pants.

4. HEADWEAR

A red cap with the SAIRO & I logo shall be worn. The Official’s name may be embroidered or printed on the back of the cap.

5. SAIRO & I MANCO may, from time to time, decide to include an additional logo on shirts to commemorate a specific event e.g. an Africa Region Level IV or V match.

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6. This policy applies to all SAIRO & I Range Officials and should be adhered to at all SAPSA sanctioned matches, from level I to V. Both "static" and "roving" R/O's are affected by the above.
7. Please refer to the IROA Range Officer Manual for more information; copied below for your convenience:

Range Officer Appearance

- 1.19. Dress. IROA Range Officers will primarily be identified by the shirt and cap they wear. Full detail of the IROA Range Officer dress is in the Member Handbook. Each NROI will have its own distinctive dress.
- 1.20. Appearance. Range Officers may secondly be identified by their neat and well-dressed appearance. Clothes and footwear will always be clean and in good repair. No unshaven appearance.
- 1.21. Footwear. A Range Officer is on his feet most of the day and it must be borne in mind that he will be running behind competitors and be expected to keep up. Comfortable running shoes with sufficient "tread" are recommended. Socks will be worn. Sandals will only be worn if the range is on the beach next to the sea.



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