



# SANA

South African Nursery Association  
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## NATIONAL HOUSE RULES: GROWERS ASSOCIATION (GA)

### 1. Mission Statement

To promote, strengthen and encourage co-operation within the association and the Green Industry.

### 2. Goals

- To promote co-operation and positive attitudes towards SANA and the green industry.
- To strive for co-operation between retailers, growers and other members of the green industry.
- To disseminate relative information pertaining to the association.
- To promote the Garden Centre Competition.

### 3. Membership

Membership is only open to SANA members as per SANA requirements:

1. SANA membership fees to be paid as per SANA instructions.

### 4. Meetings

- A minimum of 2 meetings per annum of which one will be the AGM held at the annual SANA convention.
- Only SANA members are allowed to attend meetings.
- SAGIC members are able to attend as guests and must be documented as such in the attendance register.
- No meetings to be scheduled after the SANA Thanksgiving Dinner in November.

### 5. Voting:

#### Establishing a quorum:

A quorum will consist of 10 grower members. If a quorum is not present within fifteen minutes after the time for which the meeting was convened, the meeting shall be postponed for one hour, and if there is then no quorum present, the meeting shall proceed and the members present shall constitute a quorum.

1. Only trade association members will be entitled to vote.
2. All principal members are entitled to one vote. All full additional association members are entitled to one vote.



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3. Voting will take place by the raising of hands or by ballot if it's a sensitive matter, and 50% +1 will be regarded as a majority.
4. If no majority is attained, the chairperson will have the determining vote.

## 6. AGM, Meetings and Nomination of office bearers:

1. The AGM is to be held annually to coincide with the SANA AGM at the annual Convention. In addition, a minimum of one national member meeting must be held annually. The AGM must elect a national chairperson, and vice-chairperson if so required.
2. The chairperson and vice-chairperson will stand for a two-year period, after which a new chairperson (and vice-chairperson if so required) must be elected.
3. The chairperson and/or vice-chairperson can serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.
4. The chairperson and/or vice-chairperson will constitute the committee and will preside over member meetings as and when these are called, and also execute all Growers functions.

## 7. Financial Statements

Financial statements will be presented at the SANA AGM where applicable.

## 8. Regional GA

1. Where applicable, the formation of a region must be approved by the SANA EXCO and is seen as a branch of the Growers Association. In order to retain branch status, members of that branch must hold a minimum of one member meeting a year, including a formal meeting where the chairperson is elected or confirmed.
2. Branches must run autonomously with a Growers principal member that is elected by members from that region. The Branch Chairperson will stand for a two-year period, after which a new Branch Chairperson must be elected. Elections take place with a majority vote of Members present at the meeting.
3. Each branch cannot operate in conflict with the national house rules.
4. Branches cannot refuse members.
5. No meetings to be scheduled after the SANA Thanksgiving Dinner in November.

## 9. SANA Constitution

This association abides by the SANA Constitution & code of conduct.