



QUESTIONNAIRE FOR THATCH ROOFED BUILDINGS

GENERAL INFORMATION

NAME OF THE PERSON/COMPANY/CC TO BE INSURED

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FULL RISK ADDRESS OF THE PREMISES / FARM / LODGE.

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District.....

GIVE DETAILS OF THE NEIGHBOURING FARMS/PREMISES AND DESCRIBE THEIR
ACTIVITIES

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WHAT IS THE RISK OF FIRE SPREADING FROM NEIGHBOURING PREMISES/FARMS
TO YOUR PROPERTY /FARM ? High / Medium / Low / Not at all.

Have there ever been any insurance claims in the past in terms of a Fire and Allied Perils Policy
or an incident that would have given rise to a claim had an Insurance Policy been in force
at the time of the Loss/Damage ? Yes/No

If Yes please give dates and details.:

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CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE

Are all of the buildings roofed with thatch? Yes / No

**IF NOT PLEASE INDICATE ON A ROUGH PLAN ON THE LAST PAGE THOSE THAT
ARE ROOFED WITH THATCH AND THOSE THAT ARE OF STANDARD
CONSTRUCTION.**

**NB:- IF THERE ARE VARIOUS COMPLEXES/BUILDINGS INVOLVED PLEASE SKETCH
THE COMPLEX/BUILDING WITH THE HIGHEST VALUE.**

Type of thatch used? E.G. Cape Reed etc.....

Was the Roof Design and Construction done by an approved by an Architect or Engineer? Yes / No

If Yes, please supply name and Phone number.

If No, please state who designed and constructed the roof

When last was the roof inspected by a Thatcher or Builder? :

What condition is the roof in? :

When last was the roof maintained? :

Is there a roof maintenance plan in place? Yes / No

If yes, please provide details :

What is the central capping/roof cone Constructed of? Concrete: Ye /No Fibre Glass: Yes/No
Other (state)

Is the roof kept clear of all dead foliage branches, etc? Yes / No

This is important as dead leaves etc cause the Thatch to rot

PROTECTIONS

Are SABS Approved Lightning Conductors installed ? Yes / No

Number installed

Name of installer

When last were the lightning conductors checked? :

**(IT IS A POLICY CONDITION THAT ALL CONDUCTERS BE CHECKED BY A
COMPETANT INSTALLER EVERY 12 MONTHS)**

Name of Inspection Firm/Person

Has he thatch been treated with any fire retardant substance? Yes / No

Name,date and Manufacturers.....

Does the roof have a drencher or sprinkler system installed Yes / No

Name of Manufacturer/Installer

Is it an automatic or manually operated system :

Is it linked to a fire detection alarm? Yes / No

How often is it tested ? :

Is an adequate water supply available?: Yes / No

Number of Pressure Bars.

Source of the supply :

Are there submersible pumps on site? Yes / No

Details :

Number :

Make :

Pressure Bars :

Are there fire fighting trailers and / or vehicles? Yes/No

Details :

Are these always maintained and ready for use? Yes/No

Provide details of fire fighting procedures in place :

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Have all staff been trained of how to handle the Fire Equipment.

Is a fire fighting team in place? Yes / No

Provide details of hose reels and fire extinguishers (type) on site:

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Are there any open fire places in the building? Yes / No

Are there chimneys in the buildings? Yes / No

Are these fitted with spark arrestor's and flues? Yes / No

Are these cleaned regularly? Yes / No

How often are the chimneys cleaned? :

IT IS A CONDITION OF THE POLICY THAT THE CHIMNEYS BE CLEANED TWICE EVERY 12 MONTHS

Are they constructed with a heat resistant insulation /flashing membranes to prevent conduction of heat into the roof materials? Yes / No

HEATING

Is cooking and heating done on gas or electricity? :

All Gas Bottles should be contained in a well ventilated cage/area constructed of metal to prevent damage by animals and vehicles.

Are all gas installations compliant to SABS code 087? Yes/No

IT IS A POLICY CONDITION THAT ALL GAS INSTALLATIONS COMPLY WITH THIS CODE (A copy of SABS Code 087 is available on request)

Does the kitchen/s have a ceiling other than the thatch roof? Yes / No

If Yes, what materials are used? :.....

Is there a fire blanket in the kitchen? Yes / No

What fire fighting equipment is installed in the kitchen area?

Extinguishers? Yes / No

Details :.....

Hose reels? :.....

IT IS A POLICY CONDITION THAT ALL FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT BE SERVICED EVERY 12 MONTHS

FLAMMABLE VEGETATION CLEARANCE

Is the area around the various buildings clear of long grass, weeds etc to prevent a bush fire from burning into the thatch? Yes / No

IT IS A POLICY CONDITION THAT ALL FLAMMABLE VEGETATION BE CLEARED FOR A DISTANCE OF 8 METRES FROM THE BUILDINGS.

NB: THIS DOES NOT APPLY TO TREES AND INDIGENOUS SHRUBS AND BUSHES AND CULTIVATED LAWNS AND GARDENS

FIRE BREAKS

Are there fire breaks on the property complying with the Veld and Forestry Act? Yes/No

ROUGH SKETCH OF THE PREMISES

Please give approximate values of the respective buildings, construction details and approximate distances apart. Swimming Pools and Water Sources should also be indicated.

IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH SPACE,PLEASE USE A SEPARATE SHEET

I/We confirm that I/We have completed this questionnaire to the best of my /our knowledge and ability.

Signature

Capacity

Signed aton the day of200