



# Emergency Contact Information for the Mountain Club of South Africa Search and Rescue

**Gauteng**

*Base: Johannesburg / Pretoria*

**Tel: 074-125-1385** (MSAR Standby 1)

**Tel: 074-163-3952** (MSAR Standby 2)

Convenor: 083-788-1610 – Mark Rolle

*Note the Gauteng team also provides assistance in the Free State, North West, Limpopo and Mpumalanga. This may include referrals to closer rescue organisations*

**KwaZulu-Natal**

*Base: Durban / Pietermaritzburg*

**Tel: 0800-005-133** (Provincial Health Ops. Cntr.)

Co-Convenor: 082-546-7963 – Colin McCoy

Co-Convenor: 076-395-0119 – Paul Roth

*Note the KZN team also provides assistance in the Eastern Free State and Wild Coast based on the incident*

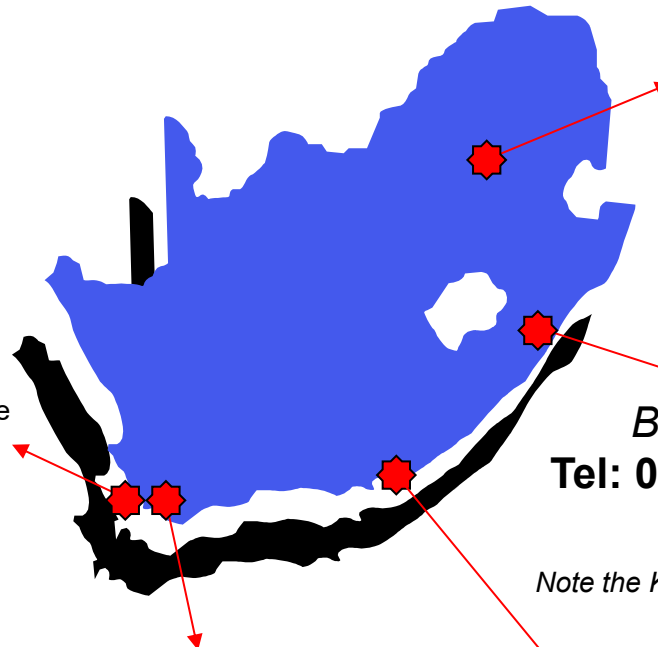
**Eastern Province**

*Base: Port Elizabeth*

**Metro: 10177 / 041-585-1555** MSAR

**Standby: 073-755-2250**

Convenor: 082-904-3086 – Francois Searle



**Hottentots Holland**

*Base: Somerset West*

**Tel: 021-937-0300** (WSAR)

Convenor: 082-601-5437 – Juan van der Meulen

**Western Cape**

*Base: Cape Town*

**Tel: 021-937-0300** (WSAR)

Convenor: 072-585-4294 – Brent Russell

For **security / crime-related incidents** in the mountains around the Cape Town Metropolitan area call the City Public Emergency Contact Centre (PECC) : **021-480-7700** (or 107 when using a traditional landline phone)

- Internet: <http://www.mcsa.org.za/>, <https://www.facebook.com/MCSASAR> and <https://www.instagram.com/mcsamountainrescue/>
- The Mountain Club of South Africa (MCSA) Search and Rescue National Convenor is Steve Cooke – 082-554-4883
- All phone numbers are the emergency numbers that can be contacted in case of a mountain rescue emergency (primary numbers are in bold). Please specifically state that you are calling regarding a '**Mountain Rescue Emergency**'. The primary cities from which the teams operate are shown in italics. Where a provincial coordination centre that uses MCSA Search and Rescue as a resource exist, the number of the provincial coordination centre is given as the priority contact number
- The MCSA does not charge for rescues, helicopter flight criteria applies, MCSA SAR reserves the right to perform its own assessment of incidents and may transfer incidents to more appropriate agencies or request additional assistance, assistance is dependent on resource availability, our resources provided on a volunteer basis
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