



## Important protocols for game guard hiring in KNP

All researchers who are working outside their vehicles and outside of the tourist camp area must be accompanied by a trained, armed game guard. Game guards should not be used as field assistants, as this will jeopardize their function to guard you.

Game guards are limited in KNP and the necessary arrangements must be made at least 2-3 weeks in advance as follows:

**Hiring a game guard for work in southern KNP:** please contact Obert Mathebula via email ([obert.mathebula@sanparks.org](mailto:obert.mathebula@sanparks.org)) to book a game guard from Skukuza

**Hiring a game guard for work in northern KNP:** please contact Sharon Thompson via email ([sharon.thompson@sanparks.org](mailto:sharon.thompson@sanparks.org)) to book a game guard from Phalaborwa or Shingwedzi (only 1 game guard is available in each area)

### **Costs associated with game guard hire:**

R150-daily hiring fee

An additional overtime/weekend hourly fee is also applicable should the guard work overtime (i.e. > 8hours/day) or on weekends (the R150 daily fee is not applicable on weekends and public holidays).

R55- per hour overtime Monday to Saturday

R70- per hour on Sundays and Public holidays.

If the Game guard accompanying you needs to spend a night outside Skukuza, Phalaborwa or Shingwedzi, please ask Samantha Mabuza ([samantha.mabuza@sanparks.org](mailto:samantha.mabuza@sanparks.org)) or Sharon Thompson ([sharon.thompson@sanparks.org](mailto:sharon.thompson@sanparks.org)) for the additional costs involved.

### **Payments for game guard hire:**

Please contact Obert Mathebula or Sharon Thompson to assist with invoices for the associated costs of game guard hire. Payments must be either at the cashiers in Skukuza, finance Department or via EFT, before researchers leave KNP. Account details for the EFT payments can be provided on request. Please confirm the number of days and overtime hours that game guard worked in the field, so that the invoices can be made out accordingly