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## NATIONAL GASSHUKU 2026

**Date:** 20–22 November 2026

**Venue:** TO Strand Beach Resort, Leisure Bay, South Coast, KZN

**Tel:** 039 319 2729

Open to all SA JKA White to Black Belts, aged 18 and over.

**Arrival:** 20 November 2026 at 14:00

**Departure:** 22 November 2026 at 09:00

The SA JKA 4th National Gasshuku will host [National Grading/Standardisation numbering — please confirm which edition this is; the poster doesn't state it], open to White to Black Belts, aged 18 and over. Sub-Saharan Africa gradings are available up to 5th Dan, along with D, D, and D qualifications. The event fee is R1,800 per person, which includes both training and meals. Payment must be completed by 13 November 2026 via [www.sajkaevents.co.za](http://www.sajkaevents.co.za), with bookings opening in mid-July.

Day visitors are required to pay a separate fee of R800 per person, covering training only (no meals). A daily rate applies for TO Strand entry, parking, and admission. This fee must also be paid by the deadline above through the same website.

Meals provided during the event include dinner on Friday, 20 November, as well as breakfast, lunch, and dinner on Saturday, 21 November.

Participants are encouraged to stay at TO Strand, which offers chalet and camping options, or to arrange alternative accommodation. To book at TO Strand, visit [www.tostrand.net](http://www.tostrand.net) by the deadline above and mention that you are part of the SA JKA Karate group in the message box.

### ACCOMMODATION AT TO STRAND

#### CHALETS

- 4-Sleeper Chalet: One double bed and two single built-in beds in the living area.
- 5-Sleeper Chalet: One double bed in the main bedroom, two single built-in beds in the second bedroom, and one built-in bed in the living area. Sharing these chalets with members from various dojos is a cost-effective option. A booking list for TO Strand accommodation is attached for your convenience. Please bring your own swimming and bath towels, fleece blankets, personal toiletries, cleaning products, and dishcloths, as these are not provided in

the chalets. TO Strand also recommends bringing a rechargeable light in case of loadshedding.

**Note:** No more than four people are allowed in a 4-sleeper chalet, and no more than five people in a 5-sleeper chalet.

### **ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS**

If you prefer to stay elsewhere, here are some nearby options. You can still join us at TO Strand for training, grading, and all meals on Friday and Saturday at a cost of R1,200 per person.

- Estuary Hotel: 039 311 2675
- Edwardian Hotel: 039 311 3618

### **SHUTTLE SERVICES**

For those flying to Durban, the following shuttle services can be booked for transport to and from the airport to the venue or nearby. If the shuttle does not drop you directly at TO Strand, TO Strand will arrange a complimentary shuttle service from a nearby drop-off point.

- Southern Shuttle: 081 475 7575
- Margate Mini Coach & Airport Services: 039 312 1406

We strongly encourage everyone to attend the Gasshuku, as it is anticipated to become an annual SA JKA event that will grow in significance each year. There are plans to potentially expand it into an international JKA Karate Gasshuku in the future, with instructors from JKA Headquarters and other international experts participating. Your support will help us achieve this goal.

Dojo Heads are kindly requested to promote this Gasshuku and encourage their students to participate. It is also important that Dojo Heads make every effort to attend. This event will strengthen camaraderie and spirit within your dojo and the Federation.