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SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE (SAPS) ESCORTS FOR VACCINES

The South African Police Services (SAPS) has been providing escorts for vaccines moving from the vaccine distributors to sites within the provinces, and in certain provinces, similar services have been provided between vaccine distribution and vaccination sites.

During the NATJOINTS vaccine distribution meeting of 3 October 2021, it was resolved that the following will apply to SAPS escorts in the future:

- Escorts from manufacturing sites or ports of entry to the vaccine distributors;
- Escorts for primary distribution from the vaccine distributors to the distributor hubs in the provinces;
- Escorts for specific routes from the vaccine distributors to vaccination or vaccine distribution sites based on volume or specific threats.

NOTE: SAPS escorts will not be required for vaccine distribution between sites in the provinces unless a specific threat has been identified.

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