

Terms and Conditions

By entering the SA Science Lens Instagram Competition, the participants agree to the following terms and conditions:

- 1) The competition is open to individuals resident in South Africa only.
- 2) Employees of NRF and their families are not eligible to participate.
- 3) This competition is in no way sponsored, endorsed or administered by, or associated with Instagram. Any correspondence regarding this competition must be directed to NRF/SAASTA and not to Instagram.
- 4) Any information collected pursuant to the competition is collected by NRF/SAASTA and not by Instagram. By submitting information to NRF/SAASTA, participants consent to NRF/SAASTA to using their information in connection with the competition.
- 5) Participants must have a valid email account and cell phone number.
- 6) Participants must have a valid Instagram account.
- 7) Participants must follow SAASTA's SA Science Lens Instagram account (sa_science lens) in order to be eligible to participate.
- 8) Images entered into the competition must be published on the participant's Instagram account and include the hashtags #NSW2017, #sascience and #sasciencelens.
- 9) Images must have been taken after 1 January 2017 (i.e. must not be older than this date).
- 10) Limited digital manipulation of images will be acceptable. Cropping, highlights and colour enhancements are acceptable, but no elements of a photograph should be digitally added or removed.
- 11) The copyright of the entire image before and after manipulation must be held by the participant or the participant must have the written authority of the copyright owner to submit the photograph for the competition. NRF/SAASTA reserves the right to request evidence of such authorities or consents.
- 12) There is no limit to the number of photos that may be entered by one person.
- 13) Any image that has won a prize in another competition is not eligible.
- 14) NRF/SAASTA reserves the right to disqualify entries and/or contestants who submit inappropriate images or conduct themselves inappropriately on the Instagram platform.
- 15) Winners will be determined by the number of likes an image receives, if compliant with rules laid out. In addition a panel of judges appointed by NRF/SAASTA will choose a "Judge's Choice" winner. The decision of the judges is final, and no correspondence will be entered into concerning the competition's judging and organisation. Images are judged on quality, technique, visual impact, their ability to communicate and engage, and their relevance to the theme.

16) The judges reserve the right in their absolute discretion to not award a prize for any particular theme should they determine no entry meets an acceptable standard.

17) Winners will be contacted via Instagram within 4 working days after the close of the competition. Winners may contact SAASTA regarding their prizes at sasciencelens@saasta.ac.za.

18) NRF/SAASTA reserves the right to disqualify a winner if he/she does not respond to the notification of their prize within 48 hours of being contacted. In such event, NRF/SAASTA will be entitled to select another winner immediately thereafter.

19) The winners' names will be published on the NRF/SAASTA website (www.saasta.ac.za) and Facebook page, as well as SA Science Lens Instagram account.

20) Prizes will be in the form of data bundles of the preferred service provider of the prize winner, to the value of the following:

Most likes Up to R250

2nd most likes Up to R250

3rd most likes Up to R200

4th most likes Up to R150

Judges choice 1 Up to R250

Judges choice 2 Up to R150

21) Prizes are not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash or for any other item.

22) Each of the winners and Parent/ Legal Guardian will be required to provide NRF/SAASTA with proof of identification in the form of a copy of his/her identity document, passport or South African driver's licence. Parents/Legal Guardians will be required to supply signed consent.

23) NRF/SAASTA reserves the right to reproduce and exhibit and to license the reproduction and the exhibition of some or all, in whole or part, in all media (now known or hereafter created) of prize-winning, commended entries without the permission of the entrant or copyright owner or payment for such use, but only in connection with the promotion of and publicity for the SA Science Lens competition, or for use in science communication activities in association with the competition. The moral right of the copyright owner will be acknowledged.

24) Should NRF/SAASTA wish to reproduce and exhibit any prize-winning, commended or shortlisted entries not in association with this competition and its objectives, then NRF/SAASTA will obtain permission from the owner of the copyright.

25) Each winner consents to NRF/SAASTA using his/her name and images in any promotional material for the purpose of promoting the competition. No compensation will be payable for such use.

26) The competition commences on 5 August 2017 and closes on 12 August 2017

27) NRF/SAASTA reserves the right to terminate, suspend or amend the competition. NRF/SAASTA is not responsible for technical malfunction, lost or delayed data transmission, omission, interruption, deletion, line failure or malfunction of any telephone network, computer equipment or software, the inability to access any website or online service or for any other error.

28) By participating in the Competition, the participant agrees, subject to applicable law, that neither NRF/SAASTA, nor Instagram nor any service provider, will be liable for any losses, damages, costs or claims in connection with the Competition or resulting from acceptance, possession, or use of any prize.