

# HOW TO REPORT **ILLEGAL** CONDUCT AND VIOLENCE AGAINST CHACMA BABOON

**To report a case and secure prosecution against an offender, it is important to present strong evidence, such as:**

## **1. Video and Photographic Evidence:**

- Clear footage of the offense and the individuals involved is invaluable. In your video comment on what is happening and the date if possible
- Ensure the footage provides a comprehensive view of the incident, including any affected baboons.
- Aim for clarity and context, showing both the offender's actions and the surrounding environment.

## **2. Eyewitness must provide an Affidavit:**

- Firsthand accounts can significantly strengthen a case, particularly when accompanied by an affidavit.
- An affidavit is a sworn written statement confirming the truth of the account, made under oath.
- False statements in an affidavit can lead to legal consequences for the deponent.
- Affidavits can be completed at any police station, where standard forms are available.

## **Details to Include in an Affidavit or Witness Statement:**

- Date and time of the event.
- Full name, surname, date of birth, and ID number of the witness (deponent).
- Detailed description of the person(s) involved in the offense.
- Specific address or location details, such as street address, ERF number, or farm name
- Confirm if baboons were present and provide details such as their number, age categories (e.g., infant or adult), and behaviour during the incident.
- Describe the offender's actions, including where they came from, their movements, and the specific activities they carried out.
- Detail the actions you took during the event.
- Clearly explain how the offense affected the baboons, if applicable.
- Describe what occurred after the offense.
- State if there are photos or videos available annexed to your statement and confirm how this evidence can be accessed.
- Describe any steps you took following the incident.
- Provide details of any additional witnesses who observed the incident.

## **REPORT**

- Report to CapeNature – send your affidavits and videos/images to [kbeda@capenature.co.za](mailto:kbeda@capenature.co.za); and [hvdwesthuyzen@capenature.co.za](mailto:hvdwesthuyzen@capenature.co.za) – Follow up!
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