

AFRIKAN Tanning



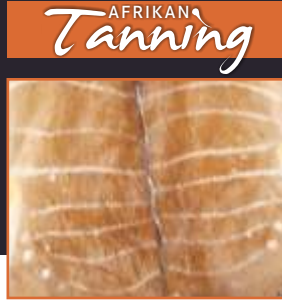
The main aim and mission of Afrikan Tanning is to provide a professional service to our local and international clients, ensuring that all products and trophies are treated to internationally accepted standards.

SERVICES

Afrikan Tanning offer these services:

- Accepts hunting trophies together with the necessary legal paperwork from the local hunter or professional hunter;
- Arrange for the collection of trophies locally or in a neighbouring country. Afrikan Tanning is a registered import and export facility with the Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Services and has the necessary quarantine facility to accept hunting trophies directly from neighbouring states and red line areas.
- Process the trophies according to the client's requirements i.e.
 - Dipping of skins for export;
 - Shaving and tanning of capes and full mount capes for taxidermy purposes;
 - Fur tanning of flat skins;
 - Felting of tanned skins;
 - Skull cooking and bleaching;
 - Skull on shield mounting, as well as customised skull mounting;
 - Polishing of horns and skulls;
 - Mounting of trophies (shoulder mounts, half mounts, rug mounts and full mounts)
- Apply for the necessary import/export documentation (CITES listed animals or ordinary game);
- Pack trophies and products in custom-built crates or carton boxes;
- Arrange all transport and shipping to ensure that the consignment reaches the client in the shortest possible time.





DO'S AND DON'TS ABOUT SKINS

1. Skin animal as soon as possible after shooting.
2. Remove excess fat and meat.
3. Wash off all the blood and dirt.
4. If possible, soak the skin for a minimum of 3 hours, or overnight, in a saturated salt solution (about 20kg salt per 100 litres of water), together with a bactericide (normal household disinfectant "Dettol" will do) of about 50ml per 100 litres of water. If this is not possible, then wash off blood and dirt with bactericide in the washing water and then salt immediately on the flesh side while the skin is wet with coarse salt
5. As you remove the skin from the solution, open and flatten the skin on a clean surface with the flesh side facing up and cover the skin with salt. Be liberal with the salt. It is important, to use an equal quantity of salt to the wet weight of the skin. The skin must then lie in salt for at least 3 days, after which the skin should be dried out as soon as possible. The sooner the skin is dehydrated, the better. If one does not have time to do this, the skin must be rolled for transport in the salt and dried at destination
6. If you have shot a record book trophy and want it mounted, but there is no one to cape it, put the whole head in the freezer. Deliver the frozen head to the taxidermist for processing.

DO NOT:

- Drag the animal or leave it in the sun after it has been shot
- Salt a skin that has already started to dehydrate. Rather soak in a strong salt water solution.
- Do not leave blood, fat or flesh on the skin. (Salt does not penetrate fat)
- Do not store the skin in a plastic bag, except for transportation only.