

Golden Arrow Bus Services (Pty) Ltd

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NOTICE OF STRIKE ACTION ISSUED

It is with sincere regret that Golden Arrow must alert our passengers to nationwide strike action which will affect the entire South African bus industry. Unfortunately, as a result of dead-locked wage negotiations, the unions' party to the South African Road Passengers Bargaining Council (SARPBAC) have given notice of their intention to embark upon strike action on 12 April 2017.

Unfortunately Golden Arrow is not in a position to remedy the current situation as SARPBAC comprises employer associations and unions representing the entire South African bus industry.

As a result of the strike action Golden Arrow will institute a Company-wide lock-out in order to ensure the safety of our passengers and staff for the duration of the strike. All services are therefore suspended from 00h01 on 12 April 2017 until further notice.

This decision is not one which is taken lightly and we remain ever cognisant of the integral role that our services play in the lives of our passengers.

Golden Arrow remains hopeful that all parties will return to the bargaining table in a spirit which safeguards their employment and the long term future of the South African bus industry.

Weekly and monthly clipcards that are valid when the strike commences will be extended when service resumes. We will endeavour to keep our passengers informed of any new developments via all communication channels available to us.

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