



2025 Compliance Calendar for Dust Monitoring in South Africa

A Practical Tool for Environmental Officers, Site Managers, and Compliance Teams

Stay Ahead of Air Quality Regulations in South Africa

Your monthly guide to meeting fallout dust monitoring requirements in line with **NEM:AQA** and **SANS 1929 standards**.

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Introduction

Why This Calendar Matters

In South Africa, fallout dust monitoring is a legal requirement under the **National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (NEM:AQA)** and is governed by **SANS 1929**.

Industries like **mining, construction, agriculture, and waste management** are obligated to:

- Collect data using standard fallout dust buckets.
- Maintain consistent monthly sampling intervals.
- Submit reports to relevant authorities.
- Stay audit-ready year-round.

This **2025 Compliance Calendar** helps you track:

- **Sampling dates**
- **Report deadlines**

- **Equipment maintenance**
- **Internal audits**
- **Regulatory check-ins**

2025 Monthly Compliance Overview

Month	Sample Bucket Change Date	Report Due	Equipment Check	Notes
January	Jan 2–5	Jan 31	✓ Calibration	New year kickoff
February	Feb 1–4	Feb 28		Leap year watch
March	Mar 1–4	Mar 31	✓ Reorder consumables	
April	Apr 2–5	Apr 30		Public holidays caution
May	May 1–4	May 31	✓ Site check	Mid-year QA review
June	Jun 1–4	Jun 30		
July	Jul 2–5	Jul 31	✓ Maintenance	Freeze risk in highveld
August	Aug 1–4	Aug 30		Women's Month
September	Sep 2–5	Sep 30	✓ Calibration	Spring startup
October	Oct 1–4	Oct 31		Prep for audit season
November	Nov 1–4	Nov 29	✓ Final QA check	
December	Dec 2–5	Dec 20		Adjust for holidays

Tip: Always change buckets on the same 28- to 31-day cycle to remain SANS 1929 compliant.

Compliance Checklist

✔ Monthly Tasks

- Fallout bucket change (within 3-day window)
- Dust sample collection & labelling
- Laboratory submission & chain of custody
- Log environmental conditions (wind, rain)
- Record observations and site notes

✔ Quarterly Tasks

- Equipment calibration and cleaning
- Backup data storage and verification
- Update internal compliance log

✔ Annual Tasks

- Full compliance audit (internal or external)
 - Review SANS standards updates
 - Staff refresher training on sampling methods
 - Client and authority report compilation
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Common Pitfalls (And How to Avoid Them)

1. Late Bucket Swaps

Always maintain a strict 30 ±2 day schedule.

2. Poor Record Keeping

Use a digital logbook or cloud storage to back up records.

3. Weather Interference

Document any unusual weather events that could affect results.

4. Lapsed Equipment Maintenance

Schedule quarterly checks and replace worn buckets.

5. Missing Regulatory Updates

Subscribe to notifications from **DEA**, **SAWS**, or local municipalities.

How to Use This Calendar

- Print it and pin it in your site office
 - Sync dates with Outlook/Google Calendar
 - Share with your environmental team or SHEQ officers
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Contact & Services

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