

Consulting to the organising bodies of major sports events since 1999

A large international sports event will often attract a global audience of many millions and can provide a platform that enables an organisation, city or nation to claim a place on the world stage and act as a symbolic focus for regional aspirations.

Unfortunately, this same platform can also provide an opportune target for people or organisations with bad intentions, resulting in a host of possible security concerns ranging from simple crime to major terrorist attacks, having potentially catastrophic consequences for the event and those involved.

It is essential therefore that the safety and security of athletes, officials, fans, dignitaries, media and all other stakeholders is considered an absolute priority in planning such events, and that detailed, threat-based security plans are designed, implemented and managed, to identify and mitigate such risks.

NSA is established as a global specialist in all areas of sports security and has been actively involved in the protection of international sports teams and high-profile sports personalities since 1991, whilst also consulting to the organising bodies of major sports events since 1999.

In these capacities, NSA has provided services throughout Africa, India, the United Kingdom, Asia and the Middle East for many international sports events. These services typically include:

- Tournament / Tour Risk Assessments
- Security Assessments
- Design and Implementation of Tournament / Event Security Plans
- Deployment of Team Security Liaison Officers
- Deployment of Event Security Co-Ordinators
- On-Going Threat Monitoring

We have a proud history of collaborating effectively with event organisers, sponsors, stakeholders and authorities, including the police, government officials and emergency services to provide an integrated approach, designed to allow sport events to take centre stage, without undue security concerns.

OUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES

CRICKET

The company directors and highly qualified members of our staff have been involved in providing team protection for all international cricket teams visiting South Africa since 1992 when the sports boycott ended. We were also appointed to provide team protection for the national teams of South Africa, India, England, Ireland and New Zealand during numerous international tours.

NSA was appointed by the ICC to conduct risk assessments and consultancy for their Champions Trophy tournament in Pakistan in 2008. Again, NSA was appointed to the Security Directorates of both the inaugural ICC World T20 tournament held in South Africa in 2007 and the ICC Champions Trophy in 2009, with one of our directors appointed as committee chairman. During these tournaments, NSA also provided all team and match officials' security.

NSA Global was a part of the ICC team overseeing their WorldT20 tournament in England in 1999, and was appointed by the ICC as consultants to the Cricket World Cup in India in 2011, delivering strategic threat assessments and security planning.

During the ICC World T20 tournaments held in Sri Lanka in 2012 and India in 2015, NSA was appointed to co-ordinate and oversee security arrangements on behalf of the ICC, which involved the deployment of staff into the host cities.

NSA acted as security consultants to the highly successful Indian Premier League (IPL) and Champions League T20 tournaments from 2008 to 2015. During this period, we managed all risk management, consultancy and team security arrangements for the tournaments held in India, South Africa and the United Arab Emirates.

SOCCER

NSA have been involved in the co-ordination and planning of several major soccer events since the CAF African Cup of Nations football tournament in 1996, during which time we co-ordinated and managed protection arrangements for Bafana-Bafana, the South African national soccer team.

Between 2008 and 2011, NSA was the safety and security consultant to the Vodacom Challenge, a tournament involving top South African and English Premier League clubs including Kaiser Chiefs, Orlando Pirates, Tottenham Hotspur, Manchester City and Manchester United.

NSA is proud to have been contracted by a number of FIFA's commercial partners during the successful and incident-free FIFA World Cup, hosted by South Africa in 2010, and the FIFA World Cup in held in Brazil in 2014. We also consulted to the State of Qatar, in preparing their Local Organising Committee for the FIFA inspection shortly before being awarded the host country of the FIFA World Cup Finals in 2022.

Since 2014, NSA has been appointed as security consultants for the Hero Indian Super League tournament, an annual event that takes place over a three-month period in eight cities throughout India.



OLYMPICS

Rory Steyn was one of only seven South African police officers selected to join the Security Volunteer Programme for the 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games, and visited Australia in March 1999 to meet with the Sydney Organising Committee for the Olympic Games (SOCOG), regarding VIP protection training and co-ordination. NSA has provided security for major IOC and US Olympic Committee commercial partners at the Summer Olympic Games in Athens in 2004, Beijing in 2008, London in 2012 Rio in 2016, as well as the 2006 Torino, 2010 Vancouver, 2014 Sochi and 2018 PyeongChang Winter Olympics.

BASKETBALL

NSA has co-ordinated security arrangements for the National Basketball Association's (NBA) social investment programme's basketball tours to South Africa since 2006. The NBA has run these training camps from their base in New York, USA, under the banner of 'Basketball Without Borders' for previously underprivileged and disadvantaged children in Soweto, Johannesburg and in other cities on the African continent, including Luanda in Angola.

RUGBY

NSA have provided consultancy and security services to a number of international rugby teams touring South Africa since 1992. This includes the Springbok team as well as the Argentinian national team, the England team and the All Blacks during their 1992 tour and the IRB Rugby World Cup in 1995.



TENNIS

NSA Global has planned and co-ordinated security arrangements for the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) Chennai Open tennis tournament since 2009, as well as providing security for a number of high-profile tennis players during tournaments and exhibition matches, including Steffi Graf, Venus and Serena Williams and others.

HOCKEY

NSA Global was appointed as safety and security consultants to the Federation of International Hockey (FIH) in 2012 and continues to provide specialised security solutions. We have provided security services at the Men's and Women's World Hockey League tournaments in India, Argentina, Malaysia, Turkey, Pakistan and South Africa. The FIH commissioned NSA to conduct a risk assessment for the 2010 Commonwealth Games in the host city of Delhi, India.

GOLF

Specialised security consultancy was provided to the 2003 President's Cup hosted at The Links, Fancourt in George, South Africa. Rory Steyn was appointed as the official tournament Security and Protection Consultant to the USA PGA Tour, acting as the communications conduit between the South Africa PGA, the USA PGA who are the event owners, the South African Police, the South African Presidential Protection Unit and the US Secret Service.

With our proven track record in providing consultancy and security services for a wide range of sports events in many different environments, NSA has the understanding and experience to meet all your specialised security needs, no matter the size or complexity of the event.

KABADDI

Kabaddi, the high intensity contact game originating in ancient India, has evolved into a spectacular, hugely popular spectator sport. As a result of the increased profile of the sport, NSA has been appointed as the security consultant to both the Star Sports Pro-Kabaddi League in India and the Kabaddi World Cup in 2016.



ABOUT NSA GLOBAL SECURITY CONSULTANTS

Founded in 1999 by Bob Nicholls and Rory Steyn, NSA is the leading provider of specialised security solutions for Africa, the Middle East and India. Headquartered in Johannesburg, South Africa but active globally, NSA provides holistic security services which include a full spectrum of bespoke solutions including protective services, security consulting, training and specialised sport and event security. Our reputation has been built on professionalism, experience, attention to detail and integrity, which has gained our company global recognition and the trust of our valued clients.

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