



Terms and conditions

- 1 All people entering this competition (the entrants) agree that the competition rules as set out in these terms and conditions are binding on them. A copy of these competition rules is available to all entrants and can be downloaded from <https://www.absa.africa/womens-hub/>
- 2 The organiser of this competition is Absa. For the purposes of this competition, "Absa Bank Limited" means Absa with registration number: 1986/004794/06 and "Absa Group Limited" means a public company with registration number: 1986/003934/06 incorporated under the laws of the Republic of South Africa, a public company duly registered as a bank and incorporated in accordance with the laws of the Republic of South Africa with its registered address at Absa Towers West, 7th Floor, 15 Troye Street, Johannesburg, 2001.
- 3 Absa, its directors, members, partners, employees, agents or consultants, the suppliers of goods or services and their respective spouses, life partners, business partners, or immediate family members are not permitted to participate in this competition.
- 4 The entrants acknowledge that they have been given enough time to read these terms and conditions before entering into this competition. The entrant is aware of all the terms printed in bold.

Personal information:

- 5 Absa will only collect, store and use entrants' personal information, such as their names, ages, telephone numbers and email addresses for the purposes of entering the entrants into the competition and for administering the draw as set out in these rules. This will not affect any existing marketing preferences that they have registered with Absa.
- 6 By entering the competition, entrants' personal information may be transferred to our service providers and agents (including their subcontractors) to store and use as necessary to administer the draw. We will never pass entrants' information to any third party for them to use in their own direct marketing, without the entrant's consent.

- 7 Entrants' personal information will be held on record for a short period of time as necessary to administer the draw and then securely destroyed.
- 8 Entrants that have won a prize in any competition, contest or promotion conducted by Absa in the last twelve (12) months are precluded from participating in this competition and any subsequent competition, contest and/or promotion within such twelve (12) month period. Absa will verify all entrants' details to establish this prior to announcing a winner.
- 9 Entrants must not have social media profiles that explicitly indicate that they are 'serial competition entrants', being profiles that primarily or predominantly feature posts, content, or activity centred on entering, promoting, or participating in competitions, giveaways, contests, or similar promotions.
- 10 To qualify as an entrant, the entrant must:
 - 10.1 Be a South African citizen and hold a South African identity document;
 - 10.2 Reside in South Africa;
 - 10.3 Provide correct and full personal contact details, as required; and
 - 10.4 Be 18 years and older.
 - 10.5 Must not have made any public statements or comments on any online or digital platform that could reasonably be interpreted as disparaging, defamatory, or damaging to the reputation of Absa

Rules of the competition

- 11 This competition starts on the 21 March 2026 and ends on 31 March 2026, both dates included ('the competition period').
 - 11.1 The Competition will run on @Absa.SouthAfrica Instagram page and @AbsaSouthAfrica on Facebook. Social Media Channel – Meta
 - 11.2 By tagging @Absa.SouthAfrica or @AbsaSouthAfrica, Absa has the right to use the content for the duration of the competition.

- 11.3 Entrants entering must have an open Meta profile.
- 11.4 Any friends tagged by an entrant must have an open, active, and publicly accessible Instagram profile at the time the entry is submitted.
- 11.5 Any friends tagged by an entrant on Instagram must have had an active social media profile for at least three (3) months prior to the date of entry.
- 11.6 For clarity, clauses 11.4 and 11.5 apply solely to Instagram entries. These requirements do not apply to Facebook.

12. Method of entry:

12.1 Social Media Entry Requirements (Meta)

12.1.1 To validly enter the Competition on Facebook or Instagram, an entrant must submit a comment on the official competition post by completing the prescribed prompt: “Absa I am here to be...because...”

12.1.2 Each valid entry must begin with the exact prescribed phrase: “Absa I am here to be...because...”

12.1.3 All entries must include the following mandatory hashtags: #YourStoryMatters #InternationalWomensMonth #AbsaHereToBe

12.1.4 To successfully qualify, entrants must tag 5 (five) friends in their response.

12.1.5 Entries must be publicly visible to be eligible

12.1.6. Entrants who fully comply with all requirements set out in clause 12.1 will be entered into the pool of eligible participants and will stand a chance to win the prizes described in clause 13.

13. Prizes:

13.1 At the conclusion of the Competition Period, a total of ten (10) winners will be selected from the valid entries submitted on Facebook and Instagram. Each winner will receive one (1) Women's Hamper.

13.2 Women's Hamper Composition

13.2.1 Each Women's Hamper shall consist of the following items:

13.2.1.1 One (1) Rich Mnisi scarf, valued at R1 118 (one thousand one hundred and eighteen rand);

13.2.1.2 One (1) Red Lancôme lipstick, valued at R700 (seven hundred rand);

13.2.1.3 One (1) R500 Takealot voucher (five hundred rand).

13.3 The prizes referenced above are allocated for a total of ten (10) winners across the Facebook and Instagram platforms

13.4 The Women's Hamper prizes will be awarded only to winners who reside within the Republic of South Africa.

13.5 All Women's Hampers will be delivered to the winners via shipping, using the contact details provided by the winners. Absa will not be liable for delays or delivery failures arising from incorrect or incomplete information provided by winners.

13.6 Grand "Surprise and Delight" Prize

13.6.1 In addition to the prizes described in clause 13.2, one (1) of the ten (10) winners will be selected to receive a grand "surprise and delight" prize ("Grand Prize").

13.6.2 Composition of the Grand Prize.

13.6.2.1 The complete Women's Hamper described in clause 13.2;

13.6.2.2 One (1) R2 000 Takealot voucher (two thousand rand); and

13.6.2.3 One (1) featured spot in a Forbes Africa Women Advertorial, including a professional photoshoot, valued at R45 000 (forty-five thousand rand).

13.7 The winner of the Grand Prize must reside in Gauteng.

13.8 Absa shall be responsible for fulfilling the applicable components of the Grand Prize. This includes issuing the Women's Hamper and coordinating the winner's participation in the Forbes Africa Women advertorial. Such coordination shall be undertaken in collaboration with the Forbes Africa Women team and shall be subject to Forbes' editorial processes, timelines, standards, and requirements.

13.9 All travel, transportation, accommodation, and any associated costs incurred by the winner in relation to advertorial photoshoot shall be solely for the winner's own account. Absa shall not be responsible or liable, whether in contract, delict, or otherwise, for any transportation arrangements, expenses, losses,

damages, injuries, or claims of any nature whatsoever arising from or connected to the winner's travel to, from, or attendance at the event.

14. Incomplete or illegible entries, bulk entries, entries from third parties and entries which do not satisfy the requirements of these terms and conditions in full will be disqualified and will not be considered.
15. The ten (10) winners from the final draws on Facebook and Instagram will be selected randomly from all qualifying entrants by Absa's Digital Agency by means of a lucky draw to take place virtually via MS Teams Meeting between the 01 April and 03 April 2026.
16. The winner(s) will be contacted via direct message on relevant social platforms through an Absa Community Manager from the Monday, 06 April 2026 to the Wednesday, 08 April 2026. Should the winner not respond to the message, Absa will post an additional message on the winner's personal Meta account. Absa shall try at least 3 times from the Monday, 06 April to the Friday, 10 April 2026, to notify the winners.
17. If the prize is declined or if the winner cannot be contacted from the details supplied on their submission within the mentioned days of the draw date, a replacement winner will be drawn at Absa's discretion and the replacement winner will be notified by Absa via their personal Instagram account and the "winner contact" process will be followed. The same process will be followed if the replacement winner also declines or the prize is unclaimed or the replacement winner cannot be contacted.
18. When the winner(s) accept(s) their prize, Absa shall appreciate the right to identify the winner by taking their photograph (at no fee) and publishing this in the relevant media as decided by Absa. However, Absa acknowledges the winner's right to choose to not be identified and may refuse to have their photograph taken and published in printed media or to appear on radio and television.
19. If the winner has given their written consent, Absa has the right to publish the winner's name and photographs (at no fee) in any advertising, promotional, print, point-of-sale or public relations material.

The nature of these publications will be determined at the sole discretion of Absa, for a period of 12 (twelve) months from the date of the lucky draw.

20. Absa is not liable in any way for any direct or indirect loss or damage because of an entrant or winner's participation in the competition.
21. If Absa cannot continue with the competition for any reason beyond its reasonable control or if it is required by any regulatory terms or applicable law, Absa may end or alter the terms of the competition on condition that:
 - 21.1. No winner/s has been determined; and
 - 21.2. Reasonable notice has been given beforehand to all entrants.
22. If the competition is ended as set out in 21 above, no entrant will have any claim of any nature whatsoever against Absa.
23. Absa is not obliged to award more than the defined prize. If the prize is anything other than a cash award, Absa will not be liable for any defects or damage to the prize. The winner must refer to the applicable supplier/manufacturer warranty for the replacement or repair of the item.
24. The prize:
 - 24.1. Cannot be transferred and will only be handed over if all details given are factually correct; and
 - 24.2. Will not be exchanged for cash amounts or for any prize other than the prize offered in this competition.
25. Once the prize has been handed over in terms of these rules, the results of the competition are final in all respect and no correspondence will be allowed.
26. Amendments to the terms and conditions:
 - 26.1. Absa is entitled to amend the terms and conditions hereof in so far as same is deemed necessary and such amendments may relate to any aspect of such competition;
 - 26.2. The amendments may include the addition and/or deletion of any existing and/or proposed terms and conditions of the competition, which amendments may also affect the identified prize including but not limited to the cash prize of such competition;

- 26.3 The proposed amendments may be effected before the start date of the competition and during the competition period, which amendments may result in the competition period being reduced and/or extended as deemed necessary; and
- 26.4 It is the entrant's responsibility to regularly check the website where the competition rules are made available as per clause 1 for any amendments.
- 27 In the event, that the terms and conditions of this competition are amended in terms of clause 26, such amendments will become effective immediately or on such date as may be determined by Absa. However, all entrants who have received confirmation of the prize before such date will remain eligible to receive the prize that has been awarded to them in accordance with the terms and conditions in force when they were selected as winners.
- 28 No entrant will have any recourse or claim against Absa as a result of any amendment to these terms and conditions or, as a result of Absa's cancellation, termination or suspension of the competition in line with these terms and conditions.

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