

ETQA CIRCULAR 8 OF 2024/2025

COMMUNIQUE TO CATHSSETA STAKEHOLDERS- NOTIFICATION ON IMPLEMENTATION AND TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS- PRE-2009 QUALIFICATIONS (UNDER THE SAQA ACT): OUTCOME ON SUBMITTED PRE-2009 QUALIFICATIONS FOR LEARNER ENROLMENT EXTENSION CONSIDERATION

Dear Esteemed Stakeholders,

Please take note of the following important updates for all accredited Skills Development Providers, Skills Development Facilitators, and Employers:

1. **Transitional Arrangements Implementation by CATHSSETA:** The Culture, Arts, Tourism, Hospitality, and Sport Sector Education and Training Authority (CATHSSETA) is enforcing transitional measures in alignment with the legislative requirements outlined below: a) The Minister of Higher Education, Science, and Innovation published the determination of the sub-frameworks comprising the National Qualifications Framework in Government Gazette No. 44031, dated 24 December 2020. b) The Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework Policy (OQSF Policy, 2021) was published by the Minister of Higher Education, Science, and Innovation in Government Gazette No. 45401, dated 29 October 2021. c) The Directive on the Implementation and Transitional Arrangements for Pre-2009 Qualifications (under SAQA Act 58 of 1995) was published by the Minister of Higher Education, Science, and Innovation in Government Gazette No. 50742, dated 3 June 2024. d) A subsequent Directive on the same matter was published in Government Gazette No. 51771, dated 13 December 2024.



2. **Approval of Pre-2009 Qualifications for Learner Enrolment Extensions:**

Submissions for the extension of learner enrolments for pre-2009 qualifications were reviewed and approved by the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). This approval was made in consultation with the Department of Higher Education and Training's Skills Branch, in accordance with the *Guidelines on the Implementation and Transitional Arrangements for Pre-2009 Qualifications (under SAQA Act 58 of 1995)*, as published by the Minister of Higher Education and Training in Government Gazette No. 51771 on 13 December 2024.

3. **Approved Learner Enrolment Extension for Pre-2009 Qualifications:** Following formal requests from the Arts, Culture, and Heritage; Conservation; Hospitality; Sport, Recreation and Fitness; and Tourism and Travel Services sub-sectors, the enrolment extension for learners in the following **pre-2009 qualifications** have been granted until **30 June 2026**. Please refer to the table below for further details.

SAQA QUAL/LP ID	QUALIFICATION/LP TYPE AND DESCRIPTOR	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS	LP ID RECORDED AGAINST THE QUALIFICATION
14111	National Certificate: Professional Cookery	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	145	None
14115	National Certificate: Fast Food Services	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	138	None
20613	National Diploma: Event Co-ordination	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L4	245	None
67691	National Diploma: Fitness	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L4	247	21890
67693	National Certificate: Fitness	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	137	23374

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48435	Further Education and Training Certificate: Captive Animal Management	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	135	None
48808	Further Education and Training Certificate: Performing Arts	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L4	150	None
58143	National Certificate: Music Industry Practice	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	133	None
58144	National Certificate: Music Industry Practice	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L6	121	None
58163	Further Education and Training Certificate: Community Recreation	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L4	163	None
59201	National Certificate: Generic Management: Adventure Based Learning	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	162	60278
60289	National Certificate: Community Recreation	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	160	None
61597	National Certificate: General Travel	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L6	147	None
65030	National Certificate: Arts and Culture Development Management	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L5	139	None
65569	Further Education and Training Certificate:	Level TBA: Pre-2009 was L4	149	None

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	Adventure-Based Learning			
66809	Further Education and Training Certificate: Sport Technical Officiating	Level TBA: Pre- 2009 was L5	151	None
73189	Further Education and Training Certificate: Golfing and Golf Coaching	Level TBA: Pre- 2009 was L5	160	None
79146	National Certificate: Community Recreation	Level TBA: Pre- 2009 was L5	120	None

4. For further clarity or assistance please contact Ms Neo Lesaoane at
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Yours sincerely

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