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## A QUALIFICATION AT LEVEL 4 ON

THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (NQF)

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## ACRONYMS

GET General Education and Training<br>GETC General Education and Training Certificate<br>LOLT Language of Learning and Teaching<br>NCS National Curriculum Statement<br>NQF National Qualifications Framework<br>NSC National Senior Certificate<br>SAQA South African Qualifications Authority

## CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCING THE POLICY FOR THE NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC)

## 1. Purpose of the document

(1) This policy describes the regulations, rules and provisos for the award of the National Senior Certificate (NSC) at Level 4 of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF). The NSC is to be awarded for the achievement of the exit level learning outcomes stipulated in the National Curriculum Statement (NCS) Grades 10-12 (General).
(2) This policy is based on norms and standards to which all assessment bodies in terms of Sections 3(4)(l) and 7 of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996) and Sections 6(A) and 61 of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act. No. 84 of 1996), must give effect.

## 2. Type of qualification

(1) The NSC is a 130 credit certificate at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF).
(2) This qualification will be offered by full-time, part-time and private candidates. These candidates will offer subjects selected from the subjects listed in Annexure A. For this purpose full-time, part-time and private candidates are defined as follows:
(a) Full-time, part-time and private candidates
(i) A full-time candidate is a learner who has enrolled for tuition and who offers a NCS Grades 10-12 (General) programme in a full-time capacity at a public or independent school or any other registered institution and who presents seven (7) subjects in terms of the NCS Grades 10-12 (General) programme requirements. Such a candidate must fulfill all internal assessment requirements of the NCS Grades 10-12 (General), including oral and practical requirements where applicable.
(ii) A part-time candidate is a learner who does not receive full-time tuition, and may register for a maximum of six (6) of the seven (7) required subjects for the NSC in a single examination sitting. Part-time candidates who are attached to a learning institution or distance learning centre must comply with the internal assessment requirements of the NSC including evidence of practical work where applicable.
(iii) A private candidate is a learner who has enrolled at a private institution that does not offer tuition on full-time basis. A private candidate may enroll for any number of subjects in one examination sitting. Private candidates must comply with the internal assessment requirements of the NSC including evidence of practical work where applicable.

[^0](a) represent a planned combination of Learning Outcomes that has a defined purpose or purposes, and is intended to provide qualifying learners with applied competence and a basis for further learning;
(b) enrich the qualifying learner;
(c) provide benefits to society and the economy;
(d) comply with the objectives of the NQF;
(e) where applicable, be internationally comparable;
(f) incorporate integrated assessment; and
(g) indicate the rules governing the award of the qualification.

## 3. Entrance requirements for NCS Grades 10 - $\mathbf{- 1 2}$ (General)

The minimum entrance requirement for Grade 10 is an official Grade 9 school report which indicates promotion to Grade 10 or a General Education and Training Certificate (GETC) for Adult Basic Education and Training (ABET), or a NQF Level 1 Certificate, or a recognised equivalent qualification obtained at NQF Level 1.

## 4. Promotion requirements for Grades 10-12

The requirements stipulated in this document are for the issuing of an NSC. These are also the promotion requirements for Grades 10 and 11.

## 5. Duration and general requirements of the NCS Grades 10-12 (General)

(1) The duration of the NCS Grades 10-12 (General) programme is three years, namely Grades 10, 11 and 12. To obtain a NSC a learner must:
(a) Complete the programme requirements for Grades 10, 11 and 12 separately and obtain the distinct outcomes and associated
assessment standards of all three years; and
(b) Comply with the internal assessment requirements for Grades 10, 11 and 12 and the external assessment requirements of Grade 12 as contemplated in the Subject Statements and the Subject Assessment Guidelines of the various subjects listed in Annexure A.

## 6. Changing subjects in Grades 10,11 and 12

(1) A learner may change one or more subjects in his or her Grade 10 year.
(2) Learners may change a subject in Grade 11 or 12 if the school deems it is in the best interests of the learner to change a subject. The school may take such a decision only after consultation with the Head of Department or his/her delegate.

## CHAPTER 2

## PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS OF THE NSC GRADES 10-12 (GENERAL)

## 7. Organising fields

(1) The NCS Grades 10-12 (General) uses the twelve Organising Fields of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) for organising purposes and registration on the NQF. These Organising Fields are linked to various disciplines and occupational fields in the world of work and are therefore designed to provide a framework for organising qualifications in a coherent and co-ordinated manner.
(2) The Organising Fields listed at Annexure A, are used for classification and grouping purposes.

## 8. Rules of subject combination

(1) The approved subjects for the NCS Grades 10-12 (General) at Annexure A are grouped in two main categories in Annexure B, namely Group A and Group B. A learner, under certain conditions as contemplated in paragraph 9, must select four subjects, namely two official languages, Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics, and Life Orientation from Group A, and a minimum of any three subjects from Group B.
9. Requirements of the NSC
(1) Subject to paragraphs 1, 11 and 20, an NSC shall be issued to a candidate who has complied with the following requirements:
(a) Offered and completed the internal and external assessment requirements in not fewer than seven (7) subjects selected as follows from Annexure B:
(i) Four subjects from Group A selected as follows: Two (2) official languages selected from Annexure B, Table A1, provided that one of the two official languages is offered on the Home Language level, and the other, on either Home or First Additional Language level, and provided further that one of the two languages is the language of learning and teaching (LOLT).
(ii) Mathematics or Mathematical Literacy selected from Annexure B, Table A2.
(iii) Life Orientation in Annexure B, Table A3.
(iv) A minimum of any three subjects selected from Group B Annexure B, Tables B1-B8. Of the minimum three required subjects, a maximum of two additional languages over and above the two official languages contemplated in paragraph 9(1)(a)(i), may be offered from both Tables A1 and B4.

## 10. Provisos

(1) A candidate that has met the minimum programme requirements of the NSC as contemplated in paragraph 9, may offer more than the required minimum of seven (7) subjects provided that he or she complies with the following requirements:
(a) The additional subjects must be offered for all three years of the NCS programme, namely Grades 10-12.
(b) All the internal assessment requirements for the required subjects, and the practical assessment where applicable, must be met for all three (3) years of study, namely Grades 10-12.
(2) Not more than one language shall be offered from the same group, namely:
(a) isiXhosa, isiZulu, SiSwati and isiNdebele; and
(b) Sepedi, Sesotho and Setswana.
(3) The same language shall not be offered as a Home and a First or Second Additional Language, or as a First and Second Additional Language.
(4) A candidate may not offer both Mathematics and Mathematical Literacy.
(5) A maximum of one subject developed and assessed by an accredited assessment body, and approved by the Minister for this purpose may be offered to meet the requirements of three (3) Group B subjects as contemplated in paragraph 9(1)(a)(iv). Such subjects are listed in Annexure C. Additional approved subjects will be added to Annexure C from time to time.
(6) Where a candidate has completed more than one Practical Music programme of one of the listed Music assessment bodies, namely the Associated Board of Royal Schools Practical Music Examination or Trinity College of London Practical Music Examination or Unisa Practical Music Examination, only the highest level of achievement obtained by the candidate from that assessment body will be recognised for the NSC.
(7) N1-N3 National Certificate, National Intermediate Certificate and National Senior Certificate subjects as listed in the technical college policy document, namely, Formal Technical College Instructional Programmes in the RSA, Report 191 (2001/08) will not be considered for the NSC. This applies to all learners registering for the NCS Grades $10-12$ (General) in 2006.
(8) Institutions that allow part-time learners to offer subjects with a practical component must ensure that all the practical requirements of the NSC are met as set out in the Subject Assessment Guidelines.

## 11. Promotion and certification requirements

(1) Subject to the provisions of Paragraph 16(4)(d) and (e) of the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001), and subject to paragraph 9 of this document, an NSC shall be issued to a candidate who has complied with the following promotion requirements:
(a) Obtained at least $40 \%$ in the required official language at Home Language level as contemplated in paragraph 9(2)(a)(i) above.
(b) Obtained at least $30 \%$ in the other required language on at least First Additional Language level as contemplated in paragraph 9(2)(a)(i) above.
(c) Obtained at least 30\% in Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics as contemplated in paragraph 9(2)(a)(ii) above.
(d) Obtained at least $40 \%$ in Life Orientation as contemplated in paragraph 9(2)(a)(iii) above.
(e) Obtained at least $40 \%$ in one of the remaining three subjects and at least $30 \%$ in two subjects as contemplated in paragraph 9(2)(a)(iv) above.
(f) A condonation of a maximum of one subject per grade with a rating of ‘Not Achieved’ will be allowed for either a Group A or a Group B subject, and such a subject will be deemed to have been obtained with a rating of $30 \%$, provided that a condonation is applied only once.
(g) Learners who offer a Music programme from either the Associated Board of Royal Schools Practical Music Examination or Trinity College of London Practical Music Examination or Unisa Practical Music Examination, must obtain the following ratings:
(i) The Associated Board of Royal Schools Practical Music Examination: at least 65\%.
(ii) Trinity College of London Practical Music Examination: at least 65\%.
(iii) Unisa Practical Music Examination: at least 50\%.

## 12. Concessions

(1) Immigrants
(a) An immigrant candidate is:
(i) A child or a dependent of a diplomatic representative of a foreign government accredited in South Africa; or
(ii) a person who:
(aa) First enrolled at and entered a South African school in Grade 7 or a more senior grade, or
(bb) having begun his or her schooling at a school in South Africa, has attended school outside South Africa for two or more consecutive years after Grade 6 or its equivalent.
(iii) An immigrant candidate as contemplated above may offer only one (1) official language on at least First Additional Language Level and obtain a rating of 30\% in that language, provided that another subject from Group $\underline{B}$ is offered in lieu of the one official language that is not offered, provided further that the immigrant candidate complies with the promotion requirements as contemplated in paragraph 11(1)(e).
(iv) Instead of offering another subject from Group B in lieu of the one official language that is not offered, an
immigrant candidate may offer his or her home language in lieu of that one official language, subject to the following:
(aa) If such language is listed on Home Language level in Table B4 at Annexure A.
(bb) In the absence of the home language of the immigrant in Table B4 at Annexure A, such a candidate may offer his or her home language on the A-Level of the General Certificate of Education (GCE) of the United Kingdom, or an examination recognised by the Department of Education as equivalent to Home Language level for this purpose.
(v) To be classified as an immigrant candidate, such a candidate must be in possession of:
(aa) The relevant official documentation issued by the Department of Home Affairs; and
(bb) The relevant official documentation issued by the school where the learner entered the South African school system for the first time.
(2) Learners who experience barriers to learning
(a) The following concessions may apply to candidates who experience the following barriers to learning:
(i) The Deaf may offer one (1) official language at First Additional level, provided that another subject from Group B is offered in lieu of the one official language that is not offered, provided further that such Deaf candidate complies with the promotion requirements as contemplated in paragraph 11(1)(e).
(ii) Learners suffering from a mathematical disorder such as dyscalculia may be exempted from the offering of Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics, provided that another subject from Group B is offered in lieu of Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics, provided further that such candidate complies with the promotion requirements as contemplated in paragraph 11(1)(e).
(iii) White Paper 6 on Special Needs Education: Building an Inclusive Education and Training System (2001), guides policies related to learners experiencing barriers to learning.

## CHAPTER 3

## ASSESSMENT

## 13. Assessment in Grades $\mathbf{1 0}$ and 11

(1) Learners will be assessed internally according to the requirements as specified in the Subject Assessment Guidelines. The internal assessment mark allocated to assessment tasks completed during the school year will be $25 \%$ and the end-of-year assessment mark $75 \%$ of the total mark.
(2) The end-of-the-year assessment must consist of tasks that are internally set, marked and moderated, as specified in the Subject Assessment Guidelines.

## 14. Assessment in Grade 12

(1) The internal assessment mark will be $25 \%$, and the external assessment mark $75 \%$ of the total mark, as specified in the Subject Assessment Guidelines. This requirement applies to full-time, part-time candidates and private candidates. The internal assessment will be externally moderated.
(2) The weighting for assessment in the subject Life Orientation in Grade 12 is an exception. The internal assessment component will be $100 \%$ of the total mark. The internal assessment will be externally moderated.

## 15. Recording and reporting

Seven levels of competence have been described for each subject in the Subject
Assessment Guidelines. These descriptions will assist teachers to assess
learners and grade them at the correct level. The various achievement levels and their corresponding percentage bands are as shown in Table 1 below. Teachers/examiners may either work from mark allocation/percentages to rating codes, or from rating codes to percentages.

TABLE 1: SCALE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM STATEMENT GRADES 10-12 (GENERAL)

| RATING CODE | RATING | MARKS <br> \% |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 7 | Outstanding achievement | $80-100$ |
| 6 | Meritorious achievement | $70-79$ |
| 5 | Substantial achievement | $60-69$ |
| 4 | Adequate achievement | $50-59$ |
| 3 | Moderate achievement | $40-49$ |
| 2 | Elementary achievement | $30-39$ |
| 1 | Not achieved | $0-29$ |

## 16. Supplementary examinations

(1) A supplementary examination will be granted under the following conditions:
(a) If a Grade 12 full-time candidate has not met the minimum certification requirements in the final external examination, as contemplated in paragraphs 11 and 12, but requires two subjects to obtain a National Senior Certificate, he or she may register for a maximum of two subjects in the supplementary examinations in the following year. These two subjects must be subjects that the candidate sat for in the previous October/November examination.
(b) If a Grade 12 part-time candidate or a private candidate has not met the minimum promotion and certification requirements as contemplated in paragraphs 11 and 12 in his or her final external examination, but requires only one subject to obtain a National Senior Certificate, he or she may register for a maximum of one subject in the supplementary examinations in the following year. This subject must be a subject that the candidate sat for in the previous October/November examination.
(c) In exceptional cases, candidates who are medically unfit and as a result are absent from one or more external examinations, may have the supplementary examination regarded as part of the same sitting.
(d) A candidate who wishes to improve his/her performance in the end-of-year examinations may register for supplementary examinations in a maximum of two subjects.
(e) Admission to the supplementary examination is at the discretion of the Head of Department.
(f) In cases (a) to (e) above the internal assessment of the Grade 12 year will be used, including practical/oral assessment marks where applicable.

## CHAPTER 4

## TIME ALLOCATION FOR SUBJECTS

## 17. Introduction

(1) In terms of Section 4 of the Employment of Educators Act, 1998, all school-based educators should be at school during the formal school day. Each school day should be at least seven hours, allowing for 35 hours per week.
(2) The contact time for teaching NCS Grades 10-12 (General) for Grades 10 , 11 and 12 will be 27,5 hours per week, excluding the time allocated to breaks, assemblies and extramural activities.

## 18. Time allocation

(1) The 27,5 hours of teaching contact time per week must be used as follows:
(a) Languages: 9 hours per week, that is, 4,5 hours per week for each of the two languages;
(b) Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics: 4,5 hours per week;
(c) Life Orientation: 2 hours per week; and
(d) Time allocation for the Group B subjects (12,0 hours): 4,0 hours per week should be allocated to each of the three subjects comprising the Group B subjects.
(2) Table 2 gives a summary of the time allocations.

TABLE 2: SUMMARY OF THE TIME ALLOCATION FOR SUBJECTS OFFERED FOR THE NCS Grades 10-12 (General)

| Subject | Time allocation <br> (hours per week) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Language | 4,5 |
| Language 2 (LOLT) | 4,5 |
| Mathematics and Mathematical Literacy | 4,5 |
| Life Orientation | 2,0 |
| Group B subjects (3 x 4hours) | 12,0 |
| Total | 27,5 |

(3) The allocated 27,5 hours per week may be utilised only for the minimum required NCS Grades 10-12 (General) subjects as specified above, and may not be used for any additional subjects added to the list of minimum subjects. Should a learner wish to offer additional subjects, additional time must be allocated for the offering of these subjects.

## CHAPTER 5

## REPEAL OF POLICY AND TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

## 19. Repeal of policy

(1) The NCS Grade 10-12 (General) will be introduced in 2006 in Grade 10. This means that learners entering Grade 12 in 2008 will write the NSC examination.
(2) The policy document, a Résumé of instructional programmes in schools, Report 550 (2001/08) containing the programme requirements for the Senior Certificate, is repealed subject to paragraph 21.
(3) The policy document, National Curriculum Statement Grades 10-12 (General) Overview and National Curriculum Statement Grades 10-12 (General) Qualifications and Assessment Policy Framework, are repealed subject to paragraph 21.

## 20. Transitional arrangements

(1) Unsuccessful Senior Certificate candidates in the Senior Certificate examination of 2007, as well as part-time candidates already enrolled for the Senior Certificate, will be given an opportunity until March 2011 to complete the Senior Certificate programme. All Senior Certificate subjects successfully completed prior to 2006 will be recognised for the issuing of the Senior Certificate until March 2011.
(2) No new enrolments of full-time or part-time learners will be accepted in Grades 10 for any subjects of Report 550 from 1 January 2006.
(3) All learners in Grade 10 in 2006 will offer the NCS grades $10-12$ (General).
(4) A candidate who has enrolled for the Senior Certificate examination at any accredited assessment body prior to the promulgation of this policy, and who has received a certificate from either the South African Certification Council, or Umalusi, the Council for General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance, indicating that the candidate obtained certain credits, shall retain such subject credits for the NSC.
(5) The Minister may, if deemed necessary, in terms of Sections 3(4)(l) and 7 of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996), amend the transitional arrangements as contemplated in paragraph 20. Should the Minister regard it as essential that such amendments to the transitional arrangements be regulated, she may promulgate such regulations in terms of Section 61 of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act. No. 84 of 1996).

## 21. Commencement and date of implementation

This policy will commence on the day of its promulgation in the Government Gazette and becomes effective from January 2006 in Grades 10, January 2007 in Grade 11 and January 2008 in Grade 12.

## DEFINITIONS

applied competence - the ability to put into practice in the relevant context the exitlevel Learning Outcomes and Assessment Standards required for obtaining the qualification
assessment body - a body approved by the Minister of Education to conduct the external assessment of all or some of the subjects for the NCS Grades 10 - 12 (General).
condonation - the waiving of promotion requirements in the case of a learner who comes very close to meeting such requirements
full-time candidate - is a learner who has enrolled for tuition and who offers a NSC in a full-time capacity at a public or independent school or any other registered institution and who presents seven (7) subjects in terms of the NSC requirements. Such a candidate must fulfill all internal assessment requirements, including oral and practical requirements where applicable.
grade - means that part of an educational programme, which a learner may complete in one school year, or any other education programme, which the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) may deem to be equivalent thereto.

Head of Department - refers to the Head of a provincial education department.

Head of the Institution - refers to the educator appointed as principal or acting as principal of a school or the head of any other registered learning institution.
immigrant candidate: - refers to a learner who enters the South African school system at a late stage and as a result thereof was not exposed to the full spectrum of all
the South African official languages. Such a candidate will under certain conditions be exempted from complying with the language requirements of the NSC (General).
independent school - is in terms of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act. No. 84 of 1996) as amended and the Further Education and Training Act, 1998 (Act No. 98 of 1998), a school or learning institution or distance learning college not registered as a public school or Adult Basic Education and Training (ABET) centre at a provincial education department.
language levels - refers to all official and non-official languages and may be offered at the following three levels, namely Home Language, First Additional Language and Second Additional Language. Home Language is first acquired by children through immersion at home, the language in which they think. First Additional language provides for levels of language proficiency that meet the threshold levels necessary for effective learning across the curriculum. In the Second Additional Language the emphasis is on listening and speaking skills.
learner - refers to any person, including part-time learners, receiving education at a public or independent school or learning institution linked to an accredited assessment body.

National Qualifications Framework (NQF) - is an eight-level framework to provide for the registration of national standards and qualifications.

National Senior Certificate - is a certificate that will be awarded in 2008 for the first time to candidates who comply with the national policy requirements set out in this document.
part-time candidate - is a person who does not receive full-time tuition, and may register for a maximum six of the seven required subjects for the NSC in a single examination sitting.
promotion - the progression of a learner from one grade to the next when that learner meets the minimum requirements for the achievement of outcomes in the particular grade.
qualification - a planned combination of exit-level Learning Outcomes and Assessment Standards, which has a defined purpose and that is intended to provide learners with applied competence and a basis for further learning. This culminates in the formal recognition of learning achievement through the award of a formal certificate.
school - in this document, a 'school' is a public school or an independent school which enrols learners in Grades 10 to 12.

Subject Assessment Guidelines - Guideline documents that specify the internal and external assessment requirements for each of the listed subjects in the NCS Grades 1012 (General).

Umalusi - Umalusi, the Council for Quality Assurance in General and Further Education and Training established in terms of the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001).

## ANNEXURE A

## NATIONALLY APPROVED SUBJECTS THAT COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NCS GRADES 10-12 <br> (GENERAL)

| No | Organising fields of learning | Subjects |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Agriculture and Nature Conservation | Agricultural Management Practices; <br> Agricultural Sciences; Agricultural <br> Technology   |
| 2. | Culture and Arts | Dance Studies; Design; Dramatic Arts; Music; Visual Arts. |
| 3. | Business, Commerce and Management <br> Studies | Accounting; Business Studies; Economics |
| 4. | Communication Studies and  <br> Language   | All official languages, and a number of non-official languages |
| 5. | Education, Training and   <br> Development   |  |
| 6. | Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology | Civil $\quad$ Technology; Electrical  <br> Technology; Mechanical Technology; <br> Engineering Graphics and Design |
| 7. | Human and Social Studies | Religion Studies; Geography; History; <br> Life Orientation |
| 8. | Law, Military Science and Security |  |
| 9. | Health Sciences and Social Services |  |


| No | Organising fields of learning | Subjects |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 10. | Physical, Mathematical, <br> Computer and Life <br> Sciences | Computer Applications Technology; <br> Information Technology; Life Sciences; <br> Mathematical Literacy; Mathematics; <br> Physical Sciences |
| 11. | Services | Consumer Studies; Hospitality Studies; <br> Tourism. |
| 12. | Physical Planning and <br> Construction |  |

## ANNEXURE B

## NATIONALLY APPROVED SUBJECTS THAT COMPLY WITH THE PROGRAMME REQUIREMENTS OF THE NCS GRADES 10-12 (GENERAL)

## GROUP A

TABLE A1: OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT HOME AND FIRST ADDITIONAL LEVEL

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Afrikaans Home Language | 04010012 | 04010023 | 04010034 |
| Afrikaans First Additional Language | 04020042 | 04020053 | 04020064 |
| English Home Language | 04010102 | 04010113 | 04010124 |
| English First Additional Language | 04020132 | 04020143 | 04020154 |
| IsiNdebele Home Language | 04010192 | 04010203 | 04010214 |
| IsiNdebele First Additional Language | 04020222 | 04020233 | 04030244 |
| IsiXhosa Home Language | 04010282 | 04010293 | 04010304 |
| IsiXhosa First Additional Language | 04020312 | 04020323 | 04020334 |
| IsiZulu Home Language | 04010372 | 04010383 | 04010394 |
| IsiZulu First Additional Language | 04020402 | 04020413 | 04020424 |
| Sepedi Home Language | 04010462 | 04010473 | 04010484 |
| Sepedi First Additional Language | 04020492 | 04020503 | 04020514 |
| Sesotho Home Language | 04010552 | 04010563 | 04010574 |
| Sesotho First Additional Language | 04020582 | 04020593 | 04020604 |
| Setswana Home Language | 04010642 | 04010653 | 04010664 |
| Setswana First Additional Language | 04020672 | 04020683 | 04020694 |
| SiSwati Home Language | 04010732 | 04010743 | 04010754 |
| SiSwati First Additional Language | 04020762 | 04020773 | 04020784 |
|  |  |  |  |

TABLE A1: OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT HOME AND FIRST ADDITIONAL LEVEL (CONT.)

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Tshivenda Home Language | 04010822 | 04010833 | 04010844 |
| Tshivenda First Additional Language | 04020852 | 04020863 | 04020874 |
| Xitsonga Home Language | 04010912 | 04010923 | 04010934 |
| Xitsonga First Additional Language | 04020942 | 04020953 | 04020964 |

TABLE A2: MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Mathematical Literacy | 10030012 | 10030023 | 10030034 |
| Mathematics | 10040042 | 10040053 | 10040064 |

TABLE A3: HUMAN AND SOCIAL STUDIES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Life Orientation | 07050012 | 07050023 | 07050034 |

## GROUP B

TABLE B1: AGRICULTURE

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Agricultural Management Practices | 01060012 | 01060023 | 01060034 |
| Agricultural Science | 01060042 | 01060053 | 01060064 |
| Agricultural Technology | 01060072 | 01060083 | 01060094 |

TABLE B2: CULTURE AND ARTS

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Dance Studies | 02060012 | 02060023 | 02060034 |
| Design | 02060042 | 02060053 | 02060064 |
| Dramatic Arts | 02060072 | 02060083 | 02060094 |
| Music | 02060102 | 02060113 | 02060124 |
| Visual Arts | 02060132 | 02060143 | 02060154 |

TABLE B3: BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Accounting | 03060012 | 03060023 | 03060034 |
| Business Studies | 03060042 | 03060053 | 03060064 |
| Economics | 03060072 | 03060083 | 03060094 |

TABLE B4: OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT SECOND ADDITIONAL LEVEL, AND NON-OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Afrikaans Second Additional Language | 04060072 | 04060083 | 04060094 |
| English Second Additional Language | 04060162 | 04060173 | 04060184 |
| IsiNdebele Second Additional <br> Language | 04060252 | 04060263 | 04060274 |
| IsiXhosa Second Additional Language | 04060342 | 04060353 | 04060364 |
| IsiZulu Second Additional Language | 04060432 | 04060443 | 04060454 |
| Sepedi Second Additional Language | 04060522 | 04060533 | 04060544 |
| Sesotho Second Additional Language | 04060612 | 04060623 | 04060634 |
| Setswana Second Additional Language | 04060702 | 04060713 | 04060724 |
| SiSwati Second Additional Language | 04060792 | 04060803 | 04060814 |

TABLE B4: OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT SECOND ADDITIONAL LEVEL, AND NON-OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (CONT.)

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Tshivenda Second Additional <br> Language | 04060882 | 04060893 | 04060904 |
| Xitsonga Second Additional Language | 04060972 | 04060983 | 0406994 |
| Arabic Second Additional Language | 04061002 | 04061013 | 04061024 |
| French Second Additional Language | 04061032 | 04061043 | 04061054 |
| German Home Language | 04061062 | 04061073 | 04061084 |
| German Second Additional Language | 04061092 | 04061103 | 04061114 |
| Gujarati Home Language | 04061122 | 04061133 | 04061144 |
| Gujarati First Additional Language | 04061152 | 04061163 | 04061174 |
| Gujarati Second Additional Language | 04061182 | 04061193 | 04061204 |
| Hebrew Second Additional Language | 04061212 | 04061223 | 04061234 |
| Hindi Home Language | 04061242 | 04061253 | 04061264 |
| Hindi First Additional Language | 04061272 | 04061283 | 04061294 |
| Hindi Second Additional Language | 04061302 | 04061313 | 04061324 |
| Italian Second Additional Language | 04061332 | 04061343 | 04061354 |
| Latin Second Additional Language | 04061362 | 04061373 | 04061384 |
| Portuguese Home Language | 04061392 | 04061403 | 04061414 |
| Portuguese First Additional Language | 04061422 | 04061433 | 04061444 |
| PortugueseSecond <br> Language | 04061452 | 04061463 | 04061474 |
| Spanish Second Additional Language | 04061482 | 04061493 | 04061504 |
| Tamil Home Language | 04061512 | 04061523 | 04061534 |
| Tamil First Additional Language | 04061542 | 04061553 | 04061564 |
| Tamil Second Additional Language | 04061572 | 04061583 | 04061594 |
| Telegu Home Language | 04061602 | 04061613 | 04061624 |
| Telegu First Additional Language | 04061632 | 04061643 | 04061654 |
| Telegu Second Additional Language | 04061662 | 04061673 | 04061684 |
|  |  |  |  |

TABLE B4: OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT SECOND ADDITIONAL LEVEL, AND NON-OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (CONT.)

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Urdu Home Language | 04061692 | 04061703 | 04061714 |
| Urdu First Additional Language | 04061722 | 04061733 | 04061744 |
| Urdu Second Additional Language | 04061752 | 04061763 | 04061774 |

TABLE B5: ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Civil Technology | 06060012 | 06060023 | 06060034 |
| Electrical Technology | 06060042 | 06060053 | 06060064 |
| Mechanical Technology | 06060072 | 06060083 | 06060094 |
| Engineering Graphics and Design | 06060102 | 06060113 | 06060124 |

TABLE B6: HUMAN AND SOCIAL STUDIES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Geography | 07060042 | 07060053 | 07060064 |
| History | 07060072 | 07060083 | 07060094 |
| Religion Studies | 07060102 | 07060113 | 07060124 |

TABLE B7: PHYSICAL, MATHEMATICAL, COMPUTER AND LIFE SCIENCES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Computer Applications Technology | 10060072 | 10060083 | 10060094 |
| Information Technology | 10060102 | 10060113 | 10060124 |
| Life Sciences | 10060132 | 10060143 | 10060154 |
| Physical Sciences | 10060162 | 10060173 | 10060184 |

TABLE B8: SERVICES

| SUBJECT | SUBJECT NUMBER |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grade 10 | Grade 11 | Grade 12 |
| Consumer Studies | 11060012 | 11060023 | 11060034 |
| Hospitality Studies | 11060042 | 11060053 | 11060064 |
| Tourism | 11060072 | 11060083 | 11060094 |

## ANNEXURE C <br> RECOGNITION OF SUBJECTS NOT LISTED IN THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM STATEMENT GRADES 10-12 (GENERAL)

## C. 1 THE STATUS OF SUBJECTS OFFERED BY OTHER ASSESSMENT BODIES

Candidates may offer a maximum of one subject developed by accredited assessment bodies other than the Department of Education, provided that such a subject is accommodated in national education policy. A maximum of 20 credits may be allocated to such subjects. Accredited providers that wish to offer their subjects as part of the National Curriculum Statement Grades 10-12 (General) may do so, subject to the approval of the Department of Education.

The subjects listed in paragraph C2 are approved subjects from other accredited assessment bodies that will be offered during the interim period. Only in exceptional cases will additional subjects in this category be considered by the Department of Education.

## C. 2 SUBJECTS OF OTHER ASSESSMENT BODIES THAT ARE APPROVED BY THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION

| SUBJECT | NUMBER |
| :--- | :--- |
| Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music <br> Practical Music Examination Grade 6 | 02070014 |
| Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music <br> Practical Music Examination Grade 7 | 02070024 |
| Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music <br> Practical Music Examination Grade 8 | 02070034 |


| SUBJECT | NUMBER |
| :--- | :--- |
| Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music <br> Practical Music Examination Performer's Diploma | 02070134 |
| Associated Board of Royal Schools of Music <br> Performer's Licentiate in Music | 02070044 |
| Trinity College of London Practical Music <br> Examination Grade 6 | 02070054 |
| Trinity College of London Practical Music <br> Examination Grade 7 | 02070064 |
| Trinity College of London Practical Music <br> Examination Grade 8 | 02070074 |
| Trinity College of London (TCL) Performer's <br> Certificate, Associate | 02070144 |
| Trinity College of London (TCL) Performer's <br> Certificate | 02070154 |
| Trinity College of London Performer's Licentiate in <br> Music | 02070084 |
| UNISA Practical Music Examination Grade 6 | 02070094 |
| UNISA Practical Music Examination Grade 7 | 02070104 |
| UNISA Practical Music Examination Grade 8 | 02070114 |
| UNISA Performer's Licentiate in Music | 02070124 |

Learners who offer the Associated Board of Royal Schools, Trinity College of London or UNISA Practical Music Examination, Grades 6, 7, 8, or the Performer's Certificate, Associate (Trinity), or Performer's Licentiate in Music must comply with the prerequisite theoretical components as offered by the respective three institutions, namely the Associated Board of Royal Schools, Trinity College of London and UNISA, namely Grades 6 for the Theory of the Associated Board of Royal Schools and Trinity College of London, and Grade 5 for UNISA.

## ANNEXURE D

## SUBJECT CODING FOR ASSESSMENT PURPOSES

## D. 1 Subjects

The subject codes for the subjects listed in Annexures A and B consist of eight digits that have the following meaning:
$>$ first and second digits: NQF organising field (up to two digits) (Table D1);
$>$ third and fourth digits: the subject groupings, as defined below (Table D2);
> fifth, sixth and seventh digits: unique subject codes within each NQF organising field; and
> eighth digit: NQF level of the subject.

Table D1 NQF organising fields as they relate to the subject coding system
Digit NQF Organising Field

| DIGIT | NQF ORGANISING FIELD |
| :---: | :--- |
| 01 | Agriculture and Nature Conservation |
| 02 | Arts and Culture |
| 03 | Business, Commerce and Management Studies |
| 04 | Communication and Language Studies |
| 05 | Education, Training and Development |
| 06 | Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology |
| 07 | Human and Social Studies |
| 08 | Law, Military Science and Security |
| 09 | Health Science and Social services |
| 10 | Physical, Mathematical, Computer and Life Sciences |
| 11 | Services |
| 12 | Physical Planning and Construction |

Table D2 Subject Groupings

| DIGIT | SUBJECT GROUP |
| :---: | :--- |
| 1 | Group A Official Languages at Home Language level |
| 2 | Group A Official Languages at First Additional Level |
| 3 | Group A Mathematical Literacy |
| 4 | Group A Mathematics |
| 5 | Group A Life Orientation |
| 6 | Group B Subjects |
| 7 | Subjects from other assessment bodies recognised by the Department <br> of Education to be offered as Group B subjects |


[^0]:    (2) In terms of this policy document the NSC qualification must:

