Manufacturing, engineering and related services SETA (merSETA)

Induction Training: Motor Time Based Apprentices





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What is the merSETA

merSETA, the Manufacturing, Engineering and related Services Education and Training Authority is one of the 23 SETAs established through the Skills Development Act [no. 97 of 1998].

It facilitates skills development for the following sub sectors:

- Metal and engineering,
- Auto manufacturing,
- Motor retail and component manufacturing,
- Tyre manufacturing and
- Plastics industries.



THE APPRENTICESHIP CONTRACT



APPRENTICE

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THE EMPLOYER

- Workplace approval to ensure quality on the job training
- Provides mentorship
- 3. Hands over the relevant training guideline to the mentor and apprentice
- Guides and support apprentice and mentor
- Relevant on the job practical training
- 6. Adheres to the minimum wage regulation
- Relevant provider training and technical studies paid by employer
- Commits to the Apprenticeship contract

THE APPRENTICE

- 16 Years or older
- Std 7 / Grade 9 or higher Automotive Trimmer & Vehicle Body Builder
- 3. Std 8/Grade 10 for other trades
- 4. COMPULSARY SUBJECTS
 - a) English or Afrikaans
 - b) Maths and Science
 - c) And at least two additional subjects
- Contract is a maximum period of 4 years
- 6. Signing off of relevant declaration according to training schedule for specific trade
- 7. Keeps to the policies and procedures of the employer
- Treated like a normal employee

THE MERSETA the Authority

- Ensures quality of on the job training: workplace approval
- Registers apprenticeship contract
- Monitors training of apprentice and guides employers where necessary
- Quality assurer for trade test
- 5. Issues relevant artisan certificates through DHET
- 6. The authority with reference to the Apprenticeship Contract

THE PROVIDER:

- Training agreed to between employer and provider is carried out
- 2. Where employer has gaps with practical training an agreement with a training provider to carry out simulated training can take place



- Contract period is 4 years
- Minimum period of 85 practical weeks of on the job training
- 3. Company needs to send the apprentice away for the training where on the job training cannot be provided.
- 4. Apprentice must work under supervision of an artisan.
- 5. Artisan is accountable for the job done.
- 6. Company needs to pay for technical studies until minimum requirements are achieved
- 7. Apprentice needs to redo subjects failed, in own time & own expense



Trade Testing Requirements

- Company letter acknowledging that the apprentice has achieved 85 practical weeks of on the job training (excluding 3 months at provider, sick leave, leave etc.)
- NTC 2 or equivalent according to criteria
- Application form
- Signed off training declaration

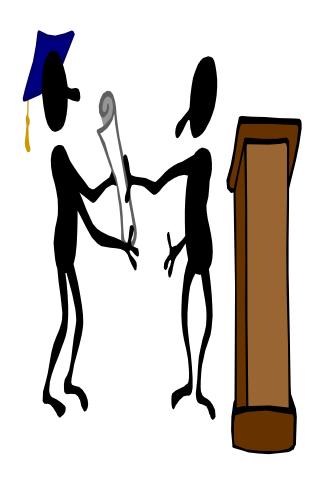
Trade Test Application

- Trade Test Application
- 100% signed off declaration
- Copy of ID
- Copy of Highest Education Certificate
- Letter from company stating that apprentice has 85 practical weeks of training.



Trade Test

- 2 days practical test
- Re- do tasks not yet competent
- National / International recognized certificate
- 14 days after test deemed qualified artisan
- Certificate will be sent within 30 working days after last date of trade test subject to sign off by DHET



Disciplinary



- Disciplinary procedures company policy and procedures
- Merseta to be informed on a suspension of an apprentice in order to extend the relevant contract
- Request for cancellation to be submitted to Merseta for authorization
- Merseta investigation
- Apprentice may only leave on approval of cancellation from Merseta



RESCISSIONS

- One- sided rescission
- Employer or Apprentice
- Supporting Documents (minutes of meeting, disciplinary enquiry as per check list attached)
- May only leave company once approved by MERSETA
- Mutual Agreement of rescission
- Letter stating reason for cancellation (ex. Resignation)
- Letter stating company is in agreement of cancellation
- May leave once MERSETA is informed





Appeals Procedures

 Appeals to be adhered according to company policy.

1. If the apprentice/employer feels aggrieved to the decision made by the Merseta an appeal in writing can be logged to the registra (Director General of the DHET) within 30 days.



TRANSFERS

- Prospective company workplace approved
- Application/registration for transfer completed
- 3. All parties must be in agreement to the transfer.
- 4. Merseta register agreement & informs parties accordingly
- Apprentice to move to new employer on notification of Merseta.



Wages

- •Wages are calculated in terms of the Motor Retails Industry Organisation.
- •Wages are reviewed annually based on industry negotiations and agreed settlement.
- •Should be in line with Main Collective Agreement for the Motor Industry (Govt. Gazette No. 30538) Govt Notice No. R1146 dated December 2007.
- •Should be informed by Division C, Chapter II-V: Clause 3 Wages

THANK YOU