Manufacturing, engineering and related services SETA (merSETA)







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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].

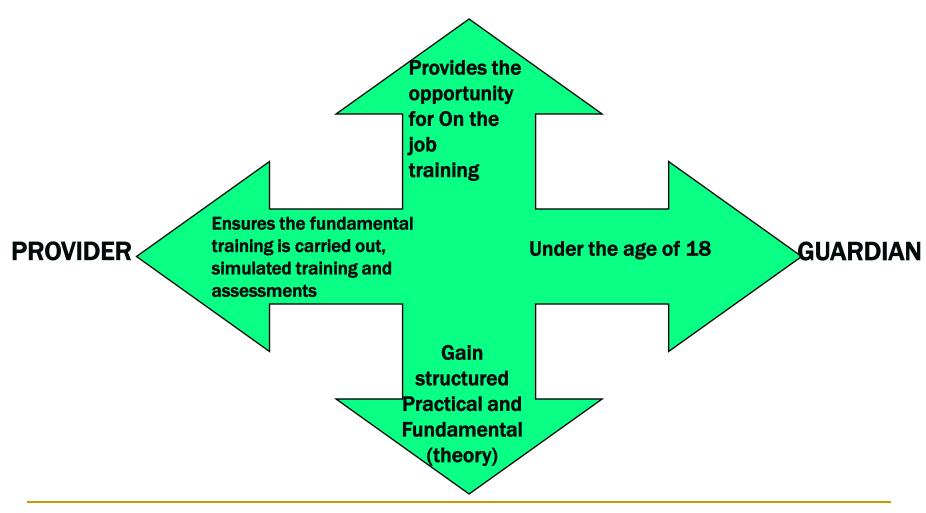
It facilitates skills development for the following subsectors:

- Metal and Engineering,
- Auto Manufacturing,
- Motor Retail and Component Manufacturing,
- Tyre Manufacturing and
- Plastics Industries.



THE LEARNERSHIP AGREEMENT

EMPLOYER



THE EMPLOYER

- Workplace approval to ensure quality of on the job training
- 2. Provides mentorship and guidance to the learner
- Ensures that the relevant training plan for structured theory and practical work is adhered to
- 4. Releases the learners during normal working hours to attend planned training
- 5. Guides and support apprentice and mentor
- 6. Adheres to the minimum allowance regulation for unemployed learners and ensures that employed learners are paid normal wage
- 7. Relevant provider training and technical studies paid by employer
- 8. Commits to the Learnership agreement

THE LEARNER

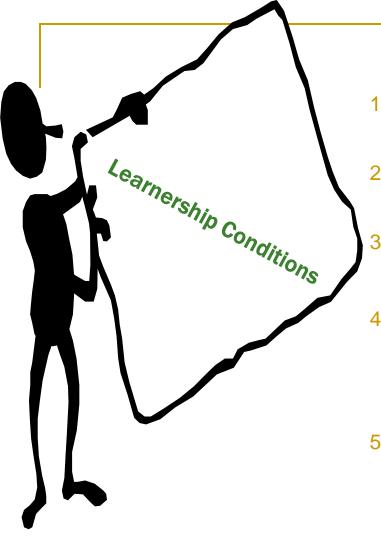
- Work for the employer
- Be available for learning and work required
- Comply with workplace policies and procedures
- Complete any time sheets or any written assessment to record relevant work experience
- Attend all study period and theoretical learning sessions with the provider

THE PROVIDER:

- Accredited to ensure meets the updated requirements for fundamental and practical training.
- Carry out assessment to identify gaps
- 3. Training plan developed with the employer and learner
- Supports on the job training to ensure that relevant guidelines are met
- Guides and supports learners
- 6. Reports and records on the individual Portfolio of Evidence
- 7. Final Summative Integrated Assessments

THE MERSETA (The Authority)

- Ensures quality of on the job training: workplace approval
- Ensures quality of Provider training through accreditation process: Quality Assurors
- 3. Registers Learnership Agreements
- Carries out Induction training
- Monitors training of learners and guides employers where necessary
- 6. The authority with reference to the Learnership Agreement
- 7. Quality assurance on assessments (Moderation)
- 8. Issues relevant certificates



- There is not specific prescribed period of training.
- Learnerships should not be more than 18 months
- Extension to the Merseta can be applied for
- 4. Apprentice must work under supervision of a subject matter expert.
- Company needs to pay for provider training all planned training is achieved



CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT

- Continuous assessment takes place after each learning area (Formative assessment)
- Learner competent in all unit standards and recorded into a Portfolio of Evidence.
- Summative Integrated assessment takes place
- Moderated by Merseta
- Receives a NQF level certificate on competency



Application for Assessment

The Provider will inform the Merseta that an assessment on the Learners will take place.

- Merseta will either moderate the assessment live or carry out a desk top moderation
- Moderation upheld by Merseta
- 30 working days after assessment a certificate will be sent to the provider.

CANCELLATION OF AGREEMENT

One Sided Cancellation

- Employer or Learner
- Supporting Documents (minutes of meeting, disciplinary enquiry)
- Merseta will carry out investigation
- May only leave company once approved by MERSETA
- Mutual Agreement of rescission
- Letter stating reason for cancellation (e.g. Resignation)
- Letter stating company is in agreement of cancellation
- May leave once MERSETA has noted



Disciplinary



- Disciplinary procedures company policy and procedures
- Agreement is a three way agreement and all must abide to the conditions of the agreement
- Merseta to be informed on a suspension of a learner in order to extend the relevant agreement
- 4. Request for cancellation to be submitted to Merseta for authorization
- Merseta investigation process to determine outcome
- 6. Learner may only leave on approval of cancellation from Merseta



Appeals Procedures

 Appeals to be adhered according to company policy.

1. If the learner/ employer should feel aggrieved against the decision of the Merseta they my appeal within 30 days to the CCMA



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
- Learner to move to new employer on notification of Merseta.



Learner allowance

Calculated in terms of Sectoral determination 5 learnerships as per the table below:

Focus to be on column 3

COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4
Exit level of learnership	Credits already earned by learner	Percentage of qualified wage to be paid as allowance	Minimum allowance per week
NQF 1 or 2	0 – 120	35%	R120.00
	121 – 240	69%	R240.00
NQF 3	0 – 120	17%	R120.00
	121 – 240	40%	R226.00
	241 – 360	53%	R370.00
NQF 4	0 – 120	13%	R120.00
	121 – 240	25%	R240.00
	241 – 360	53%	R370.00
	361 – 480	56%	R540.00
NQF 5 to 8	0 - 120	8%	R120.00
	120 – 240	18%	R260.00
	240 – 360	27%	R389.00
	361 – 480	38%	R548.00
	481 – 600	49%	R700.00

THANK YOU