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**To: All QCTO Accredited Trade Test Centres
All QCTO Accredited Skills Development Providers
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**From: Mr MJ Bopape
Acting Chief-Director: INDLELAINAD**

Re: TRADE TESTING OF NON SOUTH AFRICAN CANDIDATES

Subsequent to the migrant nature of qualified artisans, a large number of non-South Africans are working in South Africa as artisans. These non-South African qualified artisans have requested at several occasions to attempt a South African trade test.

Furthermore, there are some non-South African semi-skilled or trained artisan learners that also requested trade testing in South Africa.

In view of the above and as an attempt to assist non-South African candidates and industry, a person may be granted access to a South African trade test under the following conditions, at a QCTO accredited trade test centre:

Non-South African Qualified Artisans:

1. The person needs to be in South Africa legally in terms of a valid visa, or permit with the exclusion of a medical visa or permit; and
2. Have passed a qualifying trade test in his/her country of origin and have been certificated as an artisan; and
3. SAQA verification of current relevant trade qualifications achieved outside the borders of South Africa.

Non-South African Non-Qualified Artisan Learners

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1. The person needs to be in South Africa legally in terms of a valid visa, or permit with the exclusion of a medical visa or permit; and
2. Comply with regulation 11(5) of the Trade Test Regulations and have SAQA authenticated and verified comparable theory (knowledge) and technical skills achieved outside the borders of South Africa related to the specific trade area as well as relevant workplace experience obtained in South Africa; or
3. If a trade has an Artisan Recognition of Prior Learning (ARPL) Toolkit attached as a pre-requirement for access to a trade test, the required workplace experience for ARPL access (3 years) must have been obtained and verifiable at a South African workplace and for access to a trade test the ARPL process must have been completed successfully and a statement of results (SoR) attained.

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1. The person needs to be in South Africa legally in terms of a valid visa, or permit with the exclusion of a medical visa or permit; and
2. Have a valid and active learning contract in terms of the Workplace Based Learning Programme Agreement Regulations.
3. Comply with regulation 11(3) of the Trade Test Regulations in terms of a Legacy Trade.
4. Comply with regulation 2 of the Trade Test Regulation in terms of an Occupational Trade Qualification.

Your cooperation in this regard is appreciated.

Kind Regards


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Acting Director: NAMB

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