



TO : ALL ACCREDITED SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROVIDERS

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NOTIFICATION: REGISTERED OCCUPATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND SKILL PROGRAMMES

This serves to inform industry that the occupational qualifications and skills programmes (SPs) as per Annexure A and B respectively are registered; therefore, Skills Development Providers (SDPs) may start applying via the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) for accreditation.

(See Annexure A attached: List of QCTO Qualifications).

(See Annexure B attached: List of Skills programmes).

SDPs are encouraged to apply for the QCTO qualifications and skills programmes as listed in the Annexures. The MQA will endeavour to provide the necessary support to SDPs to ensure a seamless transition.

We trust that the above is in order.

The MQA will continuously update the sector and should engagement sessions be required; this can be arranged.

Yours Sincerely,

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Annexure A: List of QCTO qualifications

No	SAQA ID	Name of Occupational Qualification	NQF Level	CREDITS
1	121127	Elementary Occupational Certificate: Mining Team Leader	2	120
2	120057	Intermediate Occupational Certificate: Miner	3	180
3	121163	Intermediate Occupational Certificate: Surface Blaster	3	120
4	119223	National Occupational Certificate: Mine Shift Overseer	4	196
5	119283	Higher Occupational Certificate Mine Overseer	5	200
6	121527*	Higher Occupational Certificate: Occupational Health and Safety Practitioner	5	120
7	121929*	National Occupational Certificate: Occupational Health and Safety Officer	4	120
8	121930*	Occupational Certificate: Occupational Health and Safety Assistant	3	44

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Annexure B: List of Skills Programmes for SDP Accreditation

NO	SKILLS PROGRAMME	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
1	Mining Firefighter - Underground hardrock operations	2	24
2	Mining Firefighter - Underground coal operations	2	24
3	Mining Firefighter- Surface mining operations	2	24
4	Mines Rescue Services Worker	4	24
5	Support Installer: UG Hardrock	2	20
6	Support Installer: UG Coal	2	20
7	Support Installer: Surface	2	20
8	Safe Declarer: UG Hardrock	2	12
9	Safe Declarer: UG Coal	2	12
10	Safe Declarer: Surface	2	12
11	Blasting Assistant: UG Hardrock	2	20
12	Blasting Assistant: UG Coal	2	20
13	Blasting Assistant: Surface	2	20
14	*Basic Emergency First Aid Responder	2	2
15	*Intermediate Emergency First Aid Responder	3	5
16	*Advanced Emergency First Aid Responder	4	6

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17	Lamproom Assistant	2	40
18	Mine Occupational Health and Safety Representative	2	16
19	Onsetter	2	51
20	Conveying Plant Operator	2	24
21	Crushing Plant Operator	2	24
22	Milling Plant Operator	2	24
23	Ore Reception Plant Operator	2	24
24	Pumping Plant Operator	2	24
25	Screening Plant Operator	2	24
26	Scrubbing Plant Operator	2	24
27	Water Reticulation Plant Operator	2	24
28	Backfill Plant Operator	2	24
29	Calcining Plant Operator	2	24
30	Carbon-In-Pulp, Carbon-In-Leach Plant Operator	2	24
31	Electrowinning Plant Operator	2	24
32	Flotation Plant Operator	2	24
33	Smelting Plant Operator	2	24
34	Tailings/Slimes Reclamation Plant Operator	2	24
35	Dense Medium Separation Plant Operator	2	24
36	Converting Plant Operator	2	24
37	Subsurface Utilities Surveyor	2	28
38	Mine Technical Support Services Assistant: Planning/ Surveying Operations	2	56
39	Mine Technical Support Services Assistant: Sampling Operations	2	56
40	Mine Technical Support Services Assistant: Geological Operations	2	56
41	Tube Set Finisher	3	49
42	Pavé Set Finisher	3	54
43	Channel Set Finisher	3	54
44	Driller	2	28

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Mining Future Skills