GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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NATIONAL POLICY REGARDING FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES: APPROVAL OF THE AMENDMENTS TO THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATES (VOCATIONAL)

I, Grace Naledi Mandisa Pandor, Minister of Education, hereby, in terms of *Sections* 3(4)(1) and 7 of the *National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996)*, approve the amendments to the policy document, *National Certificate (Vocational): A qualification at Levels 2-4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF)* as set out in the Schedule.

GNM PANDOR, MP
MINISTER OF EDUCATION

SCHEDULE

1. Repeal Paragraph 9(1)(d):

"Obtained at least 70% in each of the four (4) vocational component subjects as contemplated in paragraph 7(2)(a)(ii), provided that the student has obtained the minimum as contemplated in paragraph 11(2)(f)."

Replace with a new Paragraph 9(1)(d):

"Obtained at least 50% in each of the four (4) vocational component subjects as contemplated in *paragraph* 7(1)(a)(ii), provided that the student has obtained at least 50% in each of the components as contemplated in *paragraph* 11(1).

2. Repeal <u>Table 2</u>: Scale of Achievement for the Vocational Component:

RATING	RATING	MARKS
CODE		
4	Outstanding	80-100
3	Competent	70-79
2	Not yet competent	60-69
1	Not achieved	0-59

Replace with a new <u>Table 2</u>: Scale of Achievement for the Vocational Component:

RATING	RATING	%
CODE		
5	Outstanding	80-100
4	Highly competent	70-79
3	Competent	50-69
2	Not yet competent	40-49
1	Not achieved	0-39

3. Repeal Paragraph 1(6)(a):

"National Educational Policy: Formal Further Education and Training College Programmes in which all the nationally approved programmes offered by FET colleges are listed;"

Replace with a new Paragraph 1(6)(a):

"National Education Policy: Formal National Certificates Vocational Programmes and subject codes, NQF levels 2-4, in which all the nationally approved programmes for the National Certificates (Vocational) qualification are listed."

4. Repeal Paragraph 1(6)(b):

"National policy on the programme and promotion requirements of National Certificates and Non-formal Programmes offered in Further Education and Training (FET) Colleges;"

Replace with a new paragraph 1(6)(b):

"An internal continuous assessment (ICASS) guideline document for the National Certificates (Vocational) qualifications."

5. Repeal Paragraph 1(6)(d:

"A guideline document on the development of subjects and learning programmes for FET colleges."

Replace with a new paragraph 1(6)(d):

"A guideline document for the administration of the Integrated Summative Assessment Task (ISAT)

6.I Repeal Paragraph 13(2):

"A student who has not satisfied all the requirements of the National Certificates (Vocational) at NQF <u>Level 2</u> will be issued a Statement of Results by the institution, as contemplated in the policy document, National policy on the programme and promotion requirements of National Certificates and Non-formal Programmes offered in Further Education and Training (FET) colleges."

Replace with a new Paragraph 13(2):

"A student who has not satisfied all the requirements at NQF <u>Level 2</u> will be issued with a Statement of Results by the Department of Education."