DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

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AMENDMENT TO THE NATIONAL POLICY REGARDING FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES: APPROVAL OF THE DOCUMENTS, POLICY FOR THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATES (VOCATIONAL), QUALIFICATIONS AT LEVELS 2 TO 4 ON THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (NQF), AND AMENDMENTS TO THE CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL CERTIFICATE (VOCATIONAL)

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education and Training hereby, in terms of 41B(1), read with section 43(1) of the Further Education and Training Act, 2006 (Act No. 16 of 2006) and sections 7(a) and 13(1)(h) of the National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008 (Act No. 67 of 2008), hereby amend paragraph 9(1)(a) and 9(1)(b) of the National Policy Regarding Further Education and Training Programmes: Approval of the Documents, Policy for the National Certificates (Vocational): Qualifications at levels 2 to 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) as published in Government Notice No. 302 of Government Gazette No. 28677 of 29 March 2006; as well as an amendment to paragraph 1 of the Schedule to the National Policy Regarding Further Education and Training Programmes: Approval of the Amendments to the Certification Requirements of the National Certificates (Vocational) as published in Government Notice No. 826 of Government Gazette No. 30266 of 7 September 2007, to the extent as set out in the Schedule.

The amendments are necessitated by the granting of credit transfer from the National Senior Certificate (NSC) qualifications to the National Certificates (Vocational) [NC(V)] qualifications, by the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance (GENFETQA) Authority, UMALUSI, in terms of its statutory mandate as contained in the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) Act, 2008.

The credit transfer provision is effective from 1 January 2012 and applies to all new and existing students enrolled on the NC(V) qualifications.

DR BE NZIMANDE, MP
MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING
DATE: 02/02/12
SCHEDULE

1. Paragraph 9(1) of the National Policy Regarding Further Education and Training Programmes: Approval of the Documents, Policy for the National Certificates (Vocational): Qualifications at levels 2 to 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) as published in Government Notice No. 302 of Government Gazette No. 28677 of 29 March 2006 is hereby deleted and substituted for the following paragraphs:

“(a) Obtained at least 40% in the required official language as contemplated in paragraph 7(1)(a)(ii)(aa) above, or have received credit recognition for same through the National Senior Certificate (NSC) qualification, granted by Umalusi in terms of its statutory mandate for certification as contained in the National Qualifications Framework Act of 2008.

(b) Obtained at least 30% in Mathematical Literacy or Mathematics as contemplated in paragraph 7(1)(a)(ii)(aa) above, or have received credit recognition for same through the National Senior Certificate (NSC) qualification, as granted by Umalusi in terms of its statutory mandate as contained in the National Qualifications Framework Act of 2008.”.

2. Paragraph 9(1)(d) of the National Policy Regarding Further Education and Training Programmes: Approval of the Amendment to the Certification Requirements of the National Certificates (Vocational) as published in Government Notice No. 826 of Government Gazette No. 30266 of 7 September 2007 is hereby deleted and substituted for the following paragraph

“(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), or have received credit recognition for any of the vocational components through the National Senior Certificate (NSC) qualification, as granted by Umalusi in terms of its statutory mandate contemplated in the General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance Act, 2001 (Act No. 58 of 2001) and the National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008”.