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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)(l) 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 Table 2: *Scale of Achievement for the Vocational Component*:

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

Replace with a new Table 2: *Scale of Achievement for the Vocational Component*:

RATING CODE	RATING	%
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)

6.1 Repeal *Paragraph 13(2)*:

“A student who has not satisfied all the requirements of the National Certificates (Vocational) at NQF Level 2 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 Level 2 will be issued with a Statement of Results by the Department of Education.”
