Zero-rated PSET Websites

According to Section 9.1 of the Electronic Communications, Postal and Broadcasting directions issued under Regulation 10(8) of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) (Government Notice No 417 of 26 March 2020), “electronic Communications Service Licensees must provide zero-rated access to local educational content websites”.

The criteria for 0-rating of URLs of Post-School Education and Training Institutions through this initiative are:

- Is established, deemed to have been established or declared as a public higher education institution in terms of the Higher Education Act (Act No 101 of 1997) or a public Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) or Community Education and Training (CET) college in terms of the Continuing Education and Training Act (Act No 16 of 2006); or
- Is a public Nursing or Agricultural College; or
- Is registered as a private higher education institution in terms of the Higher Education Act (Act No. 101 of 1997); or a private college in terms of the Continuing Education and Training Act (Act No 16 of 2006); or
- Is accredited with one of the Quality Councils to offer programmes/courses (channel the request through the relevant Quality Council that will submit it on your behalf); or
- Has a memorandum of understanding or similar contract with an existing, registered higher educational institution or college (channel the request through the institution that you are working with, and get them to submit it on your behalf as critical to their teaching & learning); or
- Has an ac.za or edu.za domain (channel the request through TENET or DHET – see details below).

Currently all 0-rated sites are published on the DHET website and on individual institutions’ websites. Click here for the list of 0-rated sites: 

Contact details for approval of:

- Public universities’ and ac.za sites - zerorate@tenet.ac.za;
- Public TVET and CET colleges’ sites - Zerorate.tvet@dhet.gov.za;
- Private HEIs’ sites - Zerorate.privatehei@dhet.gov.za;
- Private Colleges’ sites – Zerorate.privatecol@dhet.gov.za; and
- Agricultural and Nursing Colleges’ sites – Zerorate.agrinurse@dhet.gov.za