

## **TRAINING PROVIDERS MARKETING AND ADVERTISING REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO REGISTRATION AND ACCREDITATION EXPLAINED**

### **THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ACCREDITATION AND REGISTRATION**

#### Accreditation

Accreditation is defined as the action or process of officially recognising someone as having a particular status or being qualified to perform a particular activity.

In context it therefore entails official Certification that a Training Provider/Educational Institution has met certain standards set by an external regulator. Accreditation status awarded is usually linked to a time period to ensure throughout fulfilment of such particular function within the quality assurance system set up by SAQA in terms of the SAQA Act, 1995.

#### Registration

Tertiary/Higher Education Providers;

It is required of a provider to first register as a Private Higher Education Institution with the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET) to have the legal authority to offer Higher Education Programmes.

These Programmes offered by Private Higher Education Institutions fall within the same National Qualifications Framework (NQF) and levels (Levels 5 to 10) as Public Universities and Universities of Technology.

Further Education and Training (FET) Colleges;

Private Providers offering qualifications within the Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework (OQSF) of the QCTO, must be accredited by the QCTO and registered as a Private College if offering Levels 1 to 6 on the NQF. (Skills Development Act, 1998, Act No.97 of 1998)

Private Institutions offering OQSF Qualifications Levels 7 to 8 are required to register as Private Higher Education Institute (PHEI).

In the likely event that a private provider offers qualifications from all three sub-frameworks, it has to satisfy in respect of each specific qualification and the requirements of the QC that relate to any one of the three Acts: HE Act, CET Act and SD Act. Therefore, accreditation of qualifications and the ability of the institution to deliver the qualifications for PHEIs and Private Colleges is a means towards registration and does not represent or replace registration.



## ACCREDITATION AWARDING BODIES FOR THE INDUSTRY

Current Quality Assurance Partners awarding Accreditation within the Health and Skincare Industry:

Services SETA  
 SAAHSP

## REGISTRATION WITHIN THE HEALTH AND SKINCARE INDUSTRY

Both registration methods, as explained above, are commonly accepted within the Health and Skincare Industry.

SAAHSP Registered and Accredited Providers can be verified on <https://www.saahsp.com/training-providers>.

## WHO CAN OFFER QUALIFICATIONS?

Any Training Provider Accredited to the relevant Quality Assurance Partner.

## DHET, FET AND OCCUPATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

The National Qualifications Framework brings together three Qualifications Sub-Frameworks:

- General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Sub-Framework (GFETQSF)
- Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework (HEQSF); and
- Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework (OQSF)

National Qualifications Framework			
Level	Sub-framework and qualification types		
10	Higher Education Qualifications Sub-Framework	Doctoral Degree	Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework
		Doctoral Degree (Professional)	
9		Master's Degree	
		Master's Degree (Professional)	
8		Bachelor Honours Degree	
		Postgraduate Diploma	
7		Bachelor's Degree	
		Advanced Diploma	
6	Diploma	Occupational Certificate (Level 6)	
	Advanced Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 6)	
5	Higher Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 5)	
4	General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Sub-Framework	National Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 4)
3		Intermediate Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 3)
2		Elementary Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 2)
1		General Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 1)

\*Qualification types beyond level 8 in the Occupational Qualifications Sub-Framework (OQSF) have not been determined.

## **WHERE ARE QUALIFICATIONS OF REGISTERED PROVIDERS LISTED?**

Training Providers registered with CHE will have their Qualifications listed on the HEQSF. SAAHSP and Services SETA Qualifications are listed on the OQSF.

## **SAAHSP AND SERVICES SETA QUALIFICATIONS**

### Services SETA

ID: 80646  
Title: Further Education and Training Certificate: Beauty and Nail Technology  
Type: FET Certificate  
NQF Level: 4  
Credits: 156 minimum

### SAAHSP

ID: 58310  
Title: National Diploma: Health and Skincare  
Type: Advanced Certificate  
NQF Level: 6  
Credits: 266 minimum

## **OTHER LEARNING PROGRAMMES LISTED AS QUALIFICATIONS ON THE OQSF**

ID: 49952  
Title: CIDESCO Diploma: Health and Skincare Therapy

ID: 49951  
Title: SAAHSP Diploma: Health and Skincare Therapy

ID: 21513  
Title: Diploma Health and Skincare Therapy (ITEC)

ID: 57472  
Title: Diploma Health and Skincare Therapy (CIBTAC)

When a Training Provider offers one of the above and is not accredited by SAAHSP they qualify as an Awarding Body. When advertising the offering of ITEC, CIDESCO, SAAHSP, CIBTAC, IECAB & CITY AND GUILDS the following wording is INCORRECT:

- Accredited by e.g., ITEC, CIDESCO, IECAB
- State that you offer Diplomas and Certificates
- State that you are Internationally Accredited

CORRECT wording:

- Offering International recognised programs
- International affiliations to e.g., ITEC
- Offering you a passport to international work opportunities

### **WHAT IS CPD?**

Continuous Professional Development is the ongoing process of Industry Professionals investing in the development of their skills and knowledge.

### **WHAT IS CPD APPROVED TRAINING?**

CPD approved training is skills training endorsed by SAAHSP, the Professional Body. In an ever-changing industry, with new skills and technologies, it includes training that cannot be linked to a Qualification.

Corporate members (suppliers) that offer these industry related trainings, from product training to advanced skills, can get their training endorsed by SAAHSP as CPD Approved Training.

### **WHY IS CPD TRAINING NOT ACCREDITED?**

You are required to refer to the section of Accreditation.

Skills Programs/Trainings are not listed on the NQF and are therefore not Qualifications and cannot be linked to Accreditation. If a Provider is Accredited, but the specific Skills Program is not listed on the NQF it cannot be called Accredited.

If a Training Provider offers International Certificates, etc, and it is NOT on the NQF, Internationally Accredited training may not be claimed.

### **HOW TO ADVERTISE CPD**

SAAHSP endorsed CPD Approved Program.  
SAAHSP approved CPD Activity.