

The certificates that Umalusi issues

A guide for verification
and placement



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1. Introduction

This document serves as a brief guide to the qualifications that Umalusi Council currently certifies and is intended primarily to help people to understand and verify the certificates Umalusi issues, as well as those issued by its predecessor, the South African Certification Council (SAFCERT).

In the second section of this guide, the qualifications that Umalusi certifies are enumerated. These are the only qualifications that Umalusi quality assures and is responsible for.

Section three very briefly outlines the General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Framework, one of the three sub-frameworks of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF). Umalusi is responsible for the development and management of the qualifications on the General and Further Education and Training Qualifications sub-framework. A look at the framework will alert readers to the fact that there are other qualifications which Umalusi is committed to developing and quality assuring as a means of strengthening the South African education system.

Section four offers a brief description of the most salient features of each qualification in order for the public to understand the relationships between the various qualifications – all of which are on Level 4 of the NQF, except for the General Education and Training Certificate (Adult Basic Education and Training) (GETC (ABET)) on NQF Level 1. Each qualification is underpinned by detailed directives which help Umalusi to decide who qualifies for the qualification and who does not.

In the final section, certain features of Umalusi certificates are highlighted for consideration. These include the use of watermark paper, the inclusion of certain security features in the printing of the certificate background paper as well as some others introduced when the certificate for each and every individual is personalised. This information is provided to help with the identification of features to be found on genuine certificates issued by Umalusi.



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Certain visual and security features on Umalusi certificates are highlighted for consideration, especially for people required to verify the authenticity of certificates. These features include the use of watermark paper, the inclusion of certain security features in the printing of the certificate background paper as well as some others introduced when the certificate for each and every individual is personalised.

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