
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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THE INTERIM GENERAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CERTIFICATE (GETC)- ADULT BASIC EDUCATION AND TRAINING (ABET) LEVEL 4, A QUALIFICATION AT LEVEL 1 ON THE NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (NQF)

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, Minister of Higher Education and Training, in terms of Section 18A 1(b) and 2 of the ABET Act, 2000 (Act No 52 of 2000) hereby wishes to inform the public that the revised interim GETC ABET registered under ID No 64309 at SAQA is an approved qualification for Adult learners at ABET level 4 (NQF level 1) for public and private centres.

INTRODUCING THE INTERIM GETC

Adult Basic Education and Training (ABET) comprises three benchmark levels below the General Education and Training Certificate (GETC) covering ABET levels 1,2 ,3. Level 4 is equivalent to NQF level 1 (GETC level).

The interim GETC provides a regulatory framework for the certification of the ABET level 4 programmes. It also stipulates the structure of the qualification and the requirements for the achievement of the NQF level 1 qualification.

ABET Level 1 offers the Fundamental component only

ABET Level 2 offers the Fundamentals and an option of offering integrated studies or a skills programme.

ABET Level 3 offers the fundamentals, integrated studies or a skills programme

ABET Level 4 (GETC level)/NQF level 1 offers Fundamentals, Core and Electives components.

THE GETC QUALIFICATION MODEL

The interim GETC qualification will be awarded on achievement of 120 credits according to the following rules of combination:

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The fundamental component carries the following credits:

Language, Literacy and Communications (one language) 23 credits

Mathematical Literacy (ML) 16 credits Or Mathematical and Mathematical Sciences (MMS) 14 credits.