

SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

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SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY (SAQA)

INVITATION TO COMMENT:

REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON SAQA'S INTENTION TO REGISTER PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

In accordance with the *National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008* (Act No. 67 of 2008) and the South African Qualifications Authority's (SAQA) *Policy and Criteria for Recognising a Professional Body and Registering a Professional Designation for the Purposes of the National Qualifications Framework Act, Act 67 of 2008 (As amended, September 2020)* referred to as the *P&C for professional bodies*, SAQA invites comment from interested parties on the following application received to register additional professional designations.

1. Registration of Additional Designations

The public is invited to comment on SAQA's intention to register additional designations for the Professional Body listed below:

- 1.1 South African Institute of Taxation (SAIT)
Five additional professional designation titles
 - (a) Customs Compliance Practitioner
 - (b) General Customs and Trade Practitioner
 - (c) Master Customs and Trade Practitioner
 - (d) Tax Accounting Compiler
 - (e) Tax Accounting Officer
- 1.2 South African Association of Health and Skincare Professionals (SAAHSP)
One additional professional designation title
 - (a) Advanced Aesthetic Therapist

The detailed SAIT and SAAHSP applications, seeking registration of its additional professional designations, is available on the SAQA website at saqa.org.za.

Public comments regarding the above must reach SAQA no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice. All correspondence must be addressed to Mr JHA Nel, Senior Manager: Registration and Recognition at e-mail addresses: jnel@saqa.co.za / kmadue@saqa.co.za.

2. Withdrawal of recognition of a recognised Professional Body

In accordance with the *National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008* (Act No. 67 of 2008) and in accordance with Clause 22. a. of the *P&C for professional bodies*, SAQA may withdraw the recognition status from a professional body if the body no longer complies with the *P&C for professional bodies*.

The South African Chemical Institute (SACI), a non-statutory professional body, was recognised by SAQA with effect from 18 November 2015.

On 18 June 2021, SAQA received a request from SACI to withdraw its recognition status and de-register its designation from the National Qualifications Framework (NQF).

On 2 November 2021, SAQA's Professional Bodies Committee withdrew the recognition status of SACI and de-registered its professional designation from the NQF.

The withdrawal of recognition of the Professional Body:

- South African Chemical Institute (SACI); and

The de-registration of Professional Designation:

- Professional Chemist (PrChemSA)



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