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NATIONAL POLICY REGARDING FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES: APPROVAL OF SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE AS AN ADDITIONAL SUBJECT TO BE LISTED IN THE NATIONAL CURRICULUM STATEMENT GRADES 10-12 (GENERAL)

National education policy as contained in the policy document, *National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF)*, stipulates that National Senior Certificate (NSC) candidates may offer a maximum of one subject developed by accredited assessment bodies other than the Department of Education, provided that such a subject is accommodated in national education policy.

The Western Cape Education Department developed Sport and Exercise Science as an additional NSC subject in accordance with the requirements determined by the Department of Education.

On 26 October 2007 the Minister of Education granted approval that Sport and Exercise Science be listed in the *National Curriculum Statement Grades 10-12* (General) as an additional subject.

In view of the specialised nature of Sport and Exercise the offering of this curriculum should be restricted to institutions registered as sports academies. The institutions must also comply with the requirements relating to staff and equipment.

Sports and Exercise Science has been documented as follows in paragraph C2 of the policy document: *National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF):*

TABLE C6: HUMAN AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

SUBJECT	SUBJECT NUMBER		
	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Sport and Exercise Science	16351122	16351133	16351144

The Independent Examinations Board (IEB) will be responsible for the assessment and final exit examination of Sport and Exercise Science, and will ensure that the requirements as stipulated by UMALUSI, The Council for General and Further Education and Training Quality Assurance, are met. It will be required that learners at institutions registered as sports academies offering the above-mentioned listed subject must as part of their normal subject registration also register with IEB for the conduct of the assessment and final external examination of the subject.

All future assessment costs incurred for Sport and Exercise Science must be borne by the institutions registered as sports academies/learners offering the subject.

Learners at approved institutions registered as sports academies may offer Sport and Exercise Science, subject to the provision that a maximum of one subject developed by an accredited examinations body, other than the Department of Education may be included in the seven-subject package of the National Senior Certificate candidate.

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