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### **ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 38 of 2008**

**TO: DEPUTY DIRECTORS-GENERAL  
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DEPUTY-CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS AND SENIOR  
EDUCATION SPECIALISTS  
PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS WITH GRADE 12  
TEACHER ORGANISATIONS**

**DATE: 22 OCTOBER 2008**

**2008 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION  
NATIONAL MEMORANDUM – FINAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING  
ADMINISTRATION OF QUESTION PAPERS**

#### **THIS ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION REQUIRES URGENT ATTENTION.**

The attached memorandum, dated 20 October 2008, has reference.

Kindly note the contents and follow all instructions accordingly.

Principals are to disseminate this information to all teachers, Grade 12 candidates, as well as invigilators, as soon as possible.

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**S. P. GOVENDER  
CHIEF DIRECTOR: CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT**



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## ATTACHMENT ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 38 OF 2008

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## MEMORANDUM

**To: Heads of Examinations  
Provincial Education Departments**

**From: SNP Sishi  
Chief Director: National Examinations, Assessment and Measurement**

**Subject: FINAL INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATION OF QUESTION PAPERS:  
NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE NOVEMBER 2008, GRADE 12 EXAMINATIONS**

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1. Circular E17 indicated the special requirements that should be adhered to in the printing, packing and distribution of question papers for the Grade 12, 2008 National Senior certificate examinations. The Department of Education (DoE) wishes to draw your attention to further instructions regarding the administration of the following national question papers for the Grade 12, 2008 NSC examinations.

- Agricultural Management Practices
- Design
- Accounting
- Second Additional Languages Paper 1
- Non-Official Languages

**2. Agricultural Management Practices**

Agricultural Management Practices will be written on Tuesday, 2 December at 9h00. This question paper covers all production enterprises offered by all candidates in the country. It is therefore important that the Chief Invigilator (assisted by the subject teacher where necessary) guides the candidates in the selection of production enterprises offered by the school.

**3. Design**

3.1. Mark sheets for Practical Assessment Task can be generated on the Integrated Examination Computer System (IECS).

- 3.2. The following instructions must be conveyed to teachers:
- (a) The PAT for Design which relates to Exhibition and Presentation comprises three tasks, carrying 50 marks each, totalling 150 marks. The 150 marks must be converted to 50 marks.
  - (b) The mark to be recorded on the PAT mark sheet must reflect a total of 50.

#### 4. Accounting

In terms of the use of pencil, it is hereby confirmed that candidates will be allowed to use pencil in their responses to questions in the Accounting examination.

#### 5. Second Additional Languages Paper 1

- (a) The duration for all Second Languages Paper 1 has been changed from 2hours to 2.5hours. This is to accommodate for the extended length of paper 1 which includes literature.
- (b) This must be brought to the attention of all Chief Invigilators.
- (c) Please note that the time-table and the question paper will indicate the duration of 2hours. However candidates must be allowed to write for 2.5hours.

#### 6. Non-Official Languages

- 6.1. The oral examination for Spanish and Italian should be conducted immediately after the completion of Spanish Paper 2 and Italian Paper 2 which are scheduled to be written on Thursday, 30 October at 14h00. The Spanish and Italian oral examinations should therefore commence at 16h30.
- 6.2. The duration for Latin Second Additional Language (SAL) Paper 1 is 2.5hrs, while Latin SAL Paper 2 is 1.5hrs. Although these question papers have been scheduled on the time table with other language question papers which have duration of 2hours, invigilators must ensure that the correct duration for the Latin question papers are adhered.
- 6.3. The duration for Paper 2 (literature) at First additional language level for Non official languages is 2hours. PEDs must ensure that invigilators adhere to the correct duration for this question paper during the writing of the examination.
- 6.4. The IEB will select candidates whose portfolios are to be made available for moderation for all Non official languages and will inform PEDs accordingly. PEDs must collect the portfolios for moderation from 

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 learners and these portfolios should be forwarded to the IEB together with all scripts for NOL for marking by 15 November 2008.

7. If there are any queries regarding the special requirements for the NSC question papers these should be directed to Ms P Ogunbanjo: Telephone (012) 3126140; Fax (012) 324 9071; E-mail: ogunbanjo.p@doe.gov.za

8. Principals are asked to inform teachers and learners as required.

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