

South African Maritime Safety Authority



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Joint SAMSA/Transport Education and Training Authority (TETA) accreditation and approval processes

TO MARITIME TRAINING PROVIDERS, SAMSA EXAMINERS AND PRINCIPAL OFFICERS

Summary

SAMSA and the Transport Education and Training Authority (TETA) have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to coordinate the recognition and accreditation of maritime training providers and to enhance co-operation with respect to training in the maritime industry. This partnership is aimed at meeting the objectives of the National Qualification Framework and the requirements of the *Merchant Shipping (Training and Certification) Regulations, 1999*.

1 The purpose of the SAMSA/TETA MOU is to promote a coherent and effective quality assurance system for education and training in the maritime industry and to clarify the manner in which SAMSA and the TETA Education and Training Quality Assurance (ETQA) Unit will co-operate with each other, co-ordinate their functions and promote consistency in their respective quality assurance policies and procedures.

2 Any training provider may apply for SAMSA/TETA accreditation and must meet the SAMSA/TETA accreditation criteria to qualify for the benefits specified below.

Benefits

3 It is the intention of both parties to minimise duplication of effort by conducting combined accreditation activities in future. The benefits to be gained by the maritime industry from this co-operation will be:

- Increased credibility as an accredited training provider.
- Increased awareness due to the placement of the training provider's details on the TETA website.
- No additional cost.
- Possible funding through learnerships.
- Standardised training curricular for all maritime training.
- South African Qualification Authority (SAQA) registered unit standards aligned with SAMSA and international requirements.
- Combined initial accreditation by SAMSA/TETA.

4 Application for accreditation may be made at any SAMSA office or at the TETA ETQA Unit at 340 Pretoria Avenue, Sonson Building, Randburg 2125 (Private Bag X10016, Randburg 2125;

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