

The South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) is mandated in terms of the NQF Act, 67 of 2008, to:

- Oversee the further development and implementation of the National Qualifications Framework (NQF);
- Advance the objectives of the NQF; and
- Co-ordinate the three sub-frameworks (outlined below).

## NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

Sub-frameworks and qualification types		Levels	Sub-frameworks and qualification types	
Higher Education Qualifications Sub-framework (HEQSF)	Doctoral Degree Doctoral Degree (Professional)	<b>10</b>	*Not determined yet	
	Master's Degree Master's Degree (Professional)	<b>9</b>	*Not determined yet	
	Bachelor Honours Degree Postgraduate Diploma Bachelor's Degree	<b>8</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 8)	
	Bachelor's Degree Advanced Diploma	<b>7</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 7)	
	Diploma Advanced Certificate	<b>6</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 6)	
	Higher Certificate	<b>5</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 5)	
General and Further Education and Training Qualifications Sub-framework (GFETOSF)	National Certificate	<b>4</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 4)	
	Intermediate Certificate	<b>3</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 3)	
	Elementary Certificate	<b>2</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 2)	
	General Certificate	<b>1</b>	Occupational Certificate (Level 1)	
			Occupational Qualifications Sub-framework (OQSF)	

The amended determination of the sub-frameworks as outlined above was published as Notice 891 of 2013 in Government Gazette Number 36803 of 30 August 2013.

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