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Artisan **Development** Centre

Training in Short Hard Skills Programs
(Welding and Automotive)
Full Qualification Programs and
Artisan Development

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INTRODUCTION

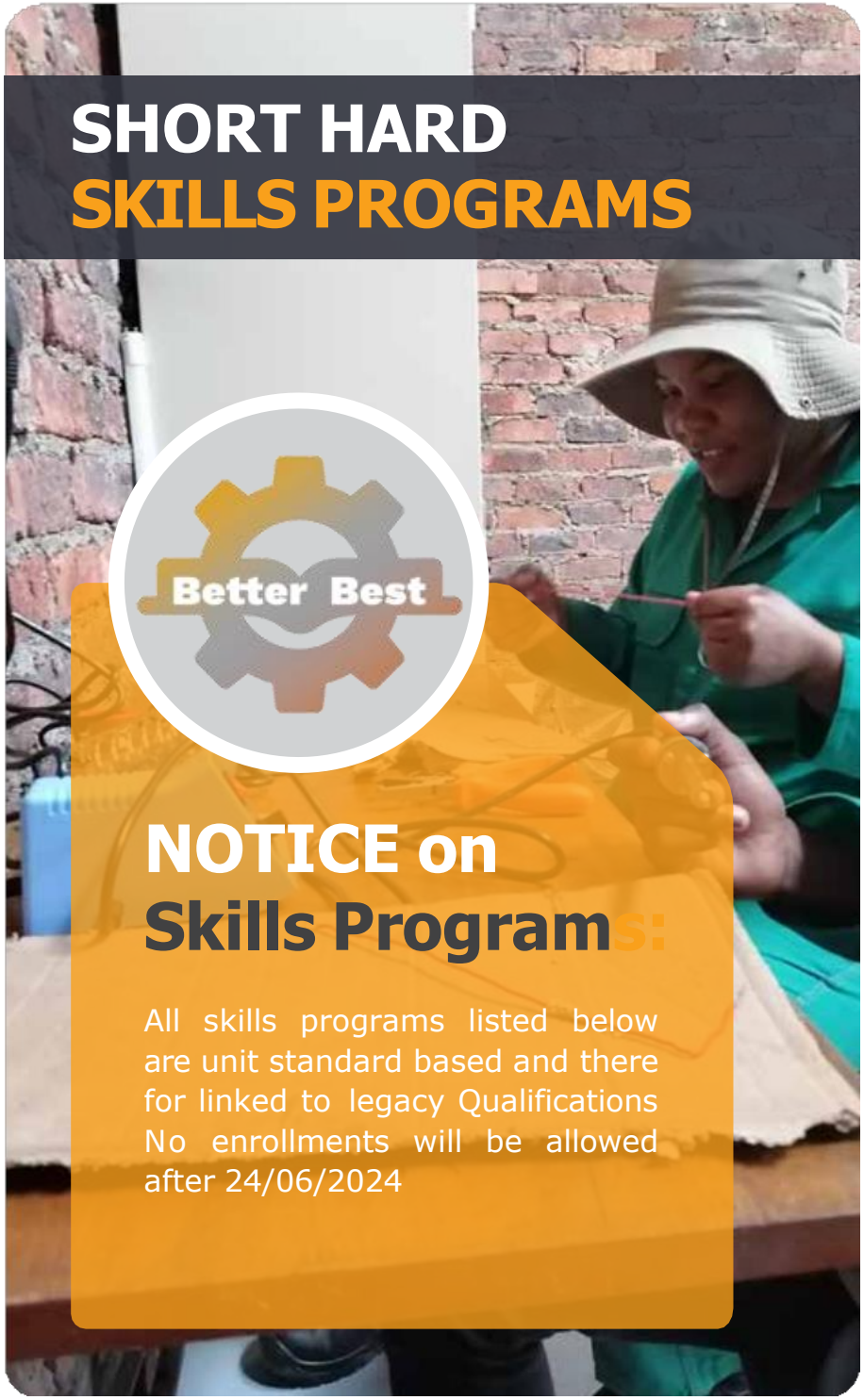
Better Best is a Private Skills Development Company that focus on Artisan Training, Construction, Agriculture, Short Skills Programs and Full Qualification Training
The focus of the training is to provide an opportunity to candidates to obtain a Skills that can provide employment.

Artisan Training is a 3 year program and includes Modular training and workplace monitoring and Logbook completion. This program allows the candidate to obtain a Trade test certificated through NAMB and QCTO. Better Best is an Accredited Skills Development Provider with QCTO allowing the institution to provide legitimate training

Better Best in turn can provide trade preparation and trade testing in the accredited programs.

Short Skills Programs timelines are between 30 and 90 days. These programs are unit Standards and modular based and accredited with the MERSETA, CETA and QCTO.

One year Qualifications programs are offered on Welding, Automotive Repair and Maintenance, Building and Civil as well as Agriculture interventions. These programs are offered on level 2-4 and are 12 months per level.



SHORT HARD SKILLS PROGRAMS

NOTICE on Skills Programs:

All skills programs listed below are unit standard based and there for linked to legacy Qualifications No enrollments will be allowed after 24/06/2024

Better Best Short Skills programs focus on:

A. Welding

Entry Level requirement: Literacy and Mathematical proficiency on NQF level 3

WELDING SKILLS PROGRAM AVAILABLE:

ASSISTANT ARC WELDER – SP 0425/10-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
13222	Deal with safety, health and environmental emergency in the workplace	4 Electives
119744	Select, use and care for engineering hand tools	8 Core
12219	Select, use and care for engineering power tools	6 Core
14713	Use welding definition and symbols	5 Core
243063	Weld carbon steel work-pieces using the shielded metal arc welding process in the down-hand position	15 Core
243066	Weld carbon steel using the gas metal arc welding process in the down-hand position	8 Core
243067	Cut materials using the oxy-fuel gas cutting process (manual cutting)	hki6 Core

WELDING SKILLS PROGRAM AVAILABLE:

BASIC SHIELD AND TUNGSEN ARC WELDER – SP 0672/12-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
243056	Weld carbon steel workplace using shielded metal arc welding process in all positions	16 Electives
14713	Use welding definitions and symbols	5 Core
14722	Description the welding industries composition its requirements and communication techniques	5 Core
243068	Weld carbon steel work pieces using the gas tungsten arc welding process in the down hand position	15 Core

BASIC WELDING SKILLS AND GAS CUTTING – SP 0868/14-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
13222	Deal with safety, health and environment emergencies in the workplace	4 Core
14713	Use welding definitions and symbol	5 Core
243063	Weld carbon steel work-pieces using the shielded metal arc process in the down-hand position	15 Core
243066	Weld carbon steel workplace-pieces using the gas metal arc welding process in the down-hand position	8 Core
243067	Cut material using the oxy-fuel gas cutting process (manual cutting)	6 Core
243068	Weld carbon steel work pieces using the gas tungsten arc welding process in the down hand position	15 Core
243069	Braze metals using the oxy-fuel brazing process	6 Core
243072	Weld workplace using the oxy-acetylene gas welding process in the down hand position	10 Core

BASIC SHIELDED METAL ARC WELDING IN ALL POSITION USING – SP 0865/13/17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
243061	Assemble work pieces in jigs (minor amendments include the use of manipulation)	3 Electives
243055	Prepare and secure work pieces for welding (include the use of manipulation)	8 Core
24056	Weld carbon steel workplaces using the shielded metal arc welding process in all positions	16 Core

FORMING AND SHAPING OF METAL PLATE SP 0937/15-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
12240	Form and shape sheet metal using hand or power operated machines	8 Electives
243075	Draw and interpret simple plate, pipe and structural steel drawings	6 Electives
14683	Apply work site practices	5 Core
14712	Identify and select material to specification	5 Core

BRAZING AND SPOT WELDING SKILLS – SP 0936/15-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
14701	Join sheet metal with resistance arc welding process	4 Electives
243075	Draw and interpret simple plate, pipe and structural steel plate and structural steel drawings	6 Electives
14712	Identify and select material to specification	5 Core
243069	Braze metals using the oxy-fuel brazing process	6 Core

GAS METAL ARC WELDING OPERATOR SP0843/13-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
14712	Identify and select material to specification	5 Core
14713	Use welding definitions and symbols	5 Core
14722	Describe the welding's composition its productivity requirements and communication techniques	5 Core
243066	Weld carbon steel work pieces using the metal welding process in the down-hand position	8 Core

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GAS TUNGSEN AND METAL ARC WELDING SKILLS SP0858/13-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
243085	Weld carbon steel work piece using the shielded arc gas tungsten arc combination welding process, in all positions	8 Electives
243083	Weld carbon steel pipe with combination welding processes using the gas tungsten arc welding and gas metal arc welding, in all positions	8 Electives
243054	Weld carbon steel pipe, using the gas tungsten arc welding process in all positions	20 Core

SHIELDED MEATL ARC (ARC WELDING) SP0691/12-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
243050	Weld pipe within the stainless steel material group, using the gas tungsten arc welding process in all positions	20 Electives
243056	Weld steel work pieces using the shielded metal arc welding process in all positions	16 Electives
243063	Weld steel work pieces using the shielded metal arc welding process in the down-hand positions	15 Electives
243085	Weld steel work pieces using the shielded arc and gas tungsten arc combination welding process in all positions	8 Electives

WELDING WORKSHOP ASSISTANT SP0854/13-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
243063	Weld carbon steel work-pieces using the shielded metal arc welding process in the down-hand position	15 Core
243067	Cut material using the oxy-fuel gas cutting process (manual cutting)	5 Core
243068	Weld carbon steel workpieces using the gas tungsten arc welding process in the downhand position	15 Core
243069	Braze metal using the oxy-fuel brazing process down	6 Core
243072	Weld workpieces using the oxy-acetylene gas welding process in the downhand position	10 Core

WELDING MACHINE OPERATOR SP0864/13-17

US	US DISCRIPTION	CREDITS
12476	Select, use and care for engineering measuring equipment	4 Electives
13222	Deal with safety, health and environment metal in the workplace	4 Electives
119744	Select, use and care for engineering hand tools	8 Core
12219	Select, use and care for engineering power tools	6 Core
12240	Form and shape sheetmetal using hand or power operated machines	8 Core
14713	Use welding definition and symbols	5 Core
243063	Weld carbon steel work-pieces using the shielded metal arc welding process in the down-hand position	15 Core
243067	Cut material using the oxy-fuel gas process(manual cutting)	6 Core
243069	Braze metals using the oxy-fuel brazing process	6 Core

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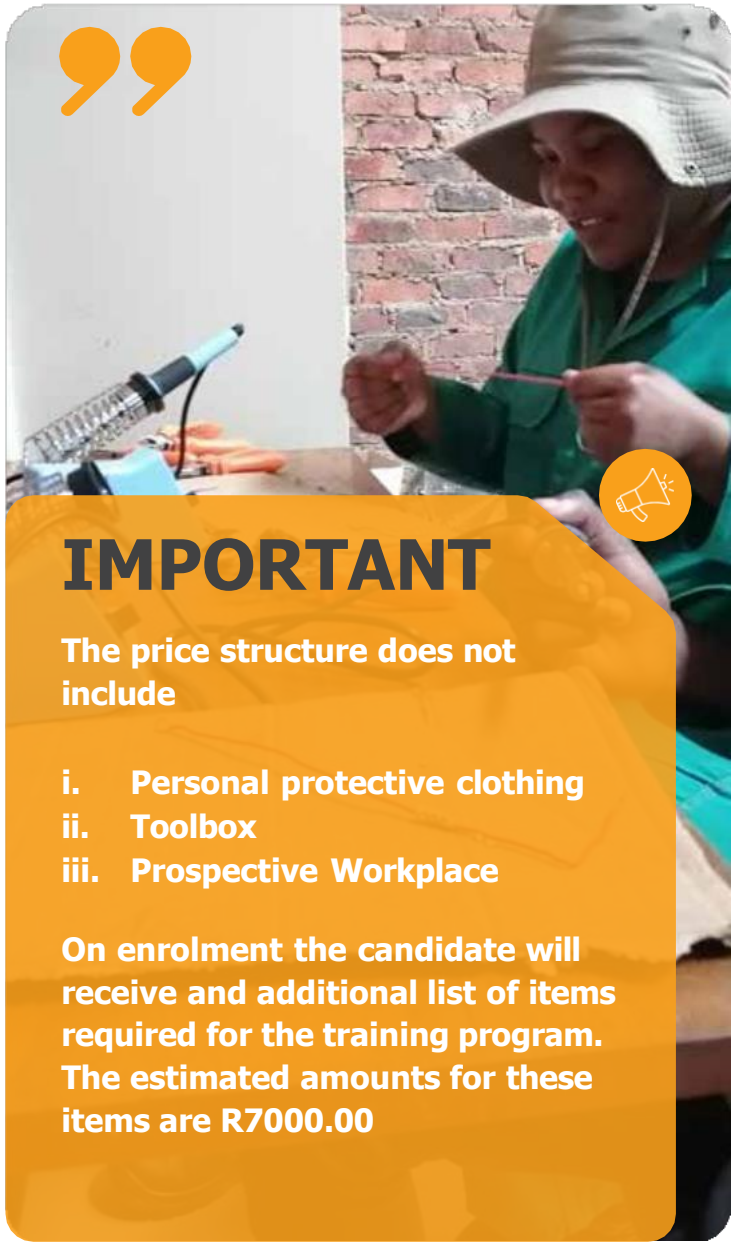
Coded Welder SP 210402		
	Modular Based Training	96 CREDITS

Metal Arc Welder SP 191209		
	Modular Based Training	40 CREDITS

Additional Requirements:

- *Note that all written assessments requires an 80 % pass mark.*
- *Second attempts will be charge additionally.*
- *Practical assessments need a competent feedback to the candidate*
- *Logbooks should be submitted in order to be found overall competent on all qualification or skills programs*

PRICE STRUCTURE



IMPORTANT

The price structure does not include

i. **Personal protective clothing**
ii. **Toolbox**
iii. **Prospective Workplace**

On enrolment the candidate will receive and additional list of items required for the training program. The estimated amounts for these items are R7000.00

Skills program	Credits	Price
ASSISTANT ARC WELDER – SP 0425/10-17	52	R16000.00
BASIC SHIELD AND TUNGSEN ARC WELDER – SP 0672/12-17	41	R12000.00
BASI WELDING SKILLS AND GAS CUTTING – SP 0868/14-17	69	R16000.00
BASIC SHIELDED METAL ARC WELDING IN ALL POSITION USING – SP 0865/13/17	27	R9000.00
BRAZING AND SPOT WELDING SKILLS – SP 0936/15-17	48	R12000.00
FORMING AND SHAPING OF METAL PLATE	24	R9000.00
GAS METAL ARC WELDING OPERATOR	23	R9000.00
GAS TUNGSEN AND METAL ARC WELDING SKILLS	36	R9000.00
SHIELDED MEATL ARC (ARC WELDING)	59	R16000.00
WELDING MACHINE OPERATOR	51	R16000.00
CODED WELDER -SP-210402 LEVEL 4 (QCTO)	62	R16000.00
SHIELD METAL ARC WELDER – SP-191209 (QCTO)	96	R21000.00
	40	R15000.00

FULL QUALIFICATION PROGRAMS

NOTICE on Qualification:
All legacy programs listed below will not be allowed to have an intake of candidiates after

24/06/2026

Better Best Qualification programs focus on

A. Welding Application Level 2 – 4

The following Welding Application program is available:

National Certificate: Welding Application and Practice: Manufacturing and Engineering LP 58534 Level 2

National Certificate: Welding Application and Practice: Manufacturing and Engineering LP 58535 Level 3

Further Education and Training Certificate: Welding Application and Practice: Manufacturing and Engineering LP 58536 Level 4

Entry level Requirements

Qualification	**National Certificate: Welding Application and Practice SAQA ID 57881**
Learner path way	58534
Level	2
End date	2027-06-30
Entry level Requirements	It is assumed that learners are already competent in: Communication and Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 1. Recognition of prior learning: This qualification can be obtained in part or wholly through the recognition of prior learning. The learner should be thoroughly briefed on the mechanism to be used and support and guidance should be provided. Care should be taken that the mechanism used provides the learner with an opportunity to demonstrate competence and is not so onerous as to prevent learners from taking up the RPL option towards gaining a Qualification.
Exit level requirements	1. Use and apply mechanical and welding technology, techniques, processes and skills, as applied in the fabrication and welding industry, using appropriate tools and measuring equipment. 2. Use and apply a variety of fillet welding, oxy-fuel cutting and oxy-fuel joining processes. 3. Demonstrate knowledge of the welding industry and its productivity requirements, by applying appropriate work-procedures. 4. Communicate effectively in order to achieve personal, business and organizational objectives. > Range: Reading and interpreting work instructions, documents and drawings; maintaining effective relationships; exploring options for further learning.

Additional Requirements:

- *Note that all written assessments requires an 80 % pass mark.*
- *Second attempts will be charge additionally.*
- *Practical assessments need a competent feedback to the candidate*
- *Logbooks should be submitted in order to be found overall competent on all qualification or skills programs*

FULL QUALIFICATION PROGRAMS

Entry level Requirements

Qualification	**National Certificate: Welding Application and Practice Maintenance SAQA ID 57886**
Learner path way	58535
Level	3
End date	2027-06-30

Additional Requirements:

- *Note that all written assessments requires an 80 % pass mark.*
- *Second attempts will be charge additionally.*
- *Practical assessments need a competent feedback to the candidate*
- *Logbooks should be submitted in order to be found overall competent on all qualification or skills programs*

Entry level requirements

It is assumed that learners are already competent in Communication and Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 2.

Recognition of Prior Learning:

This qualification may be obtained in part or wholly through the recognition of prior learning. The learner should be thoroughly briefed on the mechanism to be used and support and guidance should be provided. Care should be taken that the mechanism used provides the learner with an opportunity to demonstrate competence and is not so onerous as to prevent learners from taking up the RPL option towards gaining a Qualification.

Access to the Qualification:

Access to this qualification is open. However, it is preferable that learners have completed the National Certificate: Welding Application and Practice: NQF Level 2.

Exit level requirements

1. Use and apply a variety of plate welding, cutting, and gouging processes according to performance standards.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of welding procedures and the quality of welded components.
3. Maintain organizational relationships through effective communication with clients, peers and members of supervisory/management levels.

Range: Maintaining effective relationships; verbal and written reporting; exploring options for further learning.

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Entry level Requirements

Qualification	**Further Education and Training Certificate: Welding Application and Practice SAQA ID 57887**
8	58536
Level	4
End date	2027-06-30
Entry level requirements	It is assumed that learners are already competent in Communication and Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 3. Recognition of Prior Learning: This qualification can be obtained in part or wholly through the recognition of prior learning. The learner should be thoroughly briefed on the mechanism to be used and support and guidance should be provided. Care should be taken that the mechanism used provides the learner with an opportunity to demonstrate competence and is not so onerous as to prevent learners from taking up the RPL option towards gaining a Qualification. Access to the qualification: Access to this qualification is open. However, it is preferable that learners have completed the National Certificate in Welding Application and Practice: NQF Level 3.
Exit level requirements	1. Use and apply a variety of plate and pipe welding processes according to performance standards. 2. Participate in self-directed activity, by complying with welding procedures and maintaining business objectives. 3. Demonstrate leadership through effective interaction and communication with clients, peers and members of supervisory and management levels. > Range: Leadership (individual and team); problem solving; technical report writing; exploring options for further learning..

Additional Requirements:

- *Note that all written assessments requires an 80 % pass mark.*
- *Second attempts will be charge additionally.*
- *Practical assessments need a competent feedback to the candidate*
- *Logbooks should be submitted in order to be found overall competent on all qualification or skills programs*

B. Automotive Repair and maintenance Level 2 – 4

The following Automotive Repair and Maintenance programs are available.

National Certificate Automotive Repair and Maintenance LP 64810	Level 2
National Certificate Automotive Repair and Maintenance LP 64809	Level 3
Further Education and Training Certificate Automotive LP 64849	Level 4

PRICE STRUCTURE

Full Qualification program	Price per Level
Welding Application	R21000.00 over 12month This amount excludes Stipends and accommodation

IMPORTANT

The price structure does not include

i. **Personal protective clothing**
ii. **Toolbox**
iii. **Prospective Workplace**

On enrolment the candidate will receive and additional list of items required for the training program. The estimated amounts for these items are R6000.00

ARTISAN DEVELOPMENT

Better Best training programs focus on

A. Welding OFO Code 651202 (Legacy trade)

Entry level requirements: Mathematics Grade 12

B. Diesel OFO Code 653306 (Legacy trade)

Entry level requirements Mathematics Grade 12

Occupational Certificate: Diesel mechanic NQF level 4 OFO: 117237

- The minimum entry requirements for the Occupational Certificate: Diesel Mechanic qualification is a NQF Level 1 qualification with a pass in Mathematics.

C. Electrical OFO Code 671101(Legacy trade)

Entry level requirements Mathematics Grade 12

Occupational Certificate: Electrician NQF Level 4 OFO:91761

- NQF Level 1 qualification with Mathematics and Science.

D. Automotive Motor Maechanic OFO 653101

Entry level requirements Mathematics Grade 12

Apart from the entry level requirement listed the candidate should complete Nated 2 Trade theory at a relevant college. This can be done part time.

PRICE STRUCTURE

Artisan Program	Duration	Price
Welding	3 Years	R26 763.33 per year
Diesel	3 Years	R80 290.00over 3 years.
Electrical	3 Years	This amount is exclusive of Stipends
Automotive Motor Mechanic	3 years	and accomodation

IMPORTANT

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i. **Personal protective clothing**
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ARTISAN RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (ARPL)

Artisan recognition of prior learning aims to address the recognition of candidates with workplace experience in the trade industry.

This intervention focuses on registered trades with QCTO and seeks to assist the candidates with the relevant experience and necessary documentation to go through this ARPL process.

This process starts with an application at an accredited Trade Test Centre (TTC) followed by a Theoretical and practical evaluation of the candidate's abilities.

The trade assessor in the relevant trade makes a decision based on the evidence delivered during the testing process. A recommendation is then send through to NAMB for final approval through the relevant SETA.

The candidate then receives a serial/reference number to book a trade preparation session and then a trade test date is provided based on the timelines prescribed by NAMB.

It is highly recommended that the candidate do at least a 15 days trade preparation session to ensure that the candidate is familiar with the different components of the relevant trade.

It is important to take note that a trade testing centre cannot inform a candidate that he/she will not qualify for the Trade Test as this decision lays with NAMB. It is however the responsibility of the centre to inform the candidate that should he/she qualify through ARPL to complete a trade test, gaps that were identified should be addressed before the trade preparation session.

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At Better Best the following trades can be addressed through ARPL.

A) **Diesel trade (duration 3 days)**
B) **Electrical trade (duration 3 days)**
C) **Welding trade (duration 3 days)**
D) **Motor mechanic (Duration 3 days)**

(The days indicated are only for the ARPL process)
The completion of the Toolkit

Entry Level Requirements

Certified copies of ID
Certified copies of Qualifications
Workplace experience reference letters for 3 or more years
Older than 21 year

TIME LINES FOR ARPL.

Time line indicated below is not fixed and is dependent on the approval processes after the ARPL session has been completed.

Trade	ARPL	NAMB approval	Trade Prep	Trade test
Electrical	3 Days	NAMB Timeline (±6 Weeks)	15 days	2 days
Diesel	3 Days	NAMB Timeline (±6 Weeks)	15 days	2 days
Welding	3 Days	NAMB Timeline (±6 Weeks)	15 days	2 days
Motor	3 Days	NAMB Timeline (±6 Weeks)	15 days	2 days

PRICE SRUCTURE TRADE TESTING AND ARPL PROCESS

TRADE	ARPL	TRADE PREPARATION	TRADE TEST	TOTAL
Diesel Mechanic	R3 800.00 (3 days)	R15 000.00 (15 days)	R3300.00 (2 days)	R22 100.00
Welding	R4 800.00 (3 days)	R15 000.00 (15 days)	R3300. 00 (2 days)	R 23 600.00
Electrician	R4 800.00 (3 days)	R15 000.00 (15 days	R3300.00 (2 days)	R 23 600.00
Motor Mechanic	R3 800.00(3 days)	R15 000.00 (15 days)	R3300.00 (2 days)	R 22100.00

ARPL Application Process

Time Frame

- Time frames provided is per candidate
- More than one candidate per day can be accommodated

Application Phase
Candidates to complete application form and submit required documents

Documents required (Interview with Administrator)

- Certified copy of ID + CV
- Certificates
- Workplace exposure letter. (sample provided on request)

ARPL conducted over 3 days maximum
Pre-asssessment meeting
Attendance register for each day of contact to be completed

3 Days

Activities

1. Structures interview
2. Knowledge test
3. Practical assessment
4. Workplace checklist
5. Compile Portfolio

1. CV of candidate
2. Workplace letter
3. Ensure that all documents in the toolkit are signed off by the candidate, assessor and moderator

3 Month Period

15 Days Period

2 Days Period

ARPL process identify gaps
Gaps to be addressed are communicated to the candidate.
Gaps are covered by Candidate and provide evidence in the form of a logbook

Trade readiness are conducted

Trade test schedules are submitted to NAMB
This process only starts once serial numbers have been recieved

Approvals are done by the relevant SETA
Serial numbers are issued by the SETA

Admin upload request to relevant SETA

5 Days

Submit file to admin.
Ensure that the feedback form is correct for submission with attachments

Time frames for SETA are unknown. Experience has indicated a 12 week period

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