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DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

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EMPLOYMENT SERVICES ACT NO 4, 2014

DRAFT REGULATIONS ON THE REGISTRATION OF WORK-SEEKERS

I, Mildred Oliphant, Minister of Labour, under section 52 of the Employment Services Act, 2012, and after consultation with the Employment Services Board, hereby publish for public comment the regulations in the Schedule.

Interested parties are invited to submit written comments on the proposed regulations within 30 days after publication notice by:-

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1. Definitions

In these regulations any word or expression to which a meaning is assigned in the Employment Employment Services Act, 2014 (Act No. 4 of 2014) has the same meaning.

2. Registration of work seekers on a register

- 2.1 Any work seeker may register with the Department as a Work Seeker;
- 2.2 The Department shall develop and maintain an information technology based register for work seekers.
- 2.3 Only a work seeker in possession of a valid 13-digit RSA identification document shall be registered;
- 2.4 The information required to register a work seeker on the national database is the following:
 - (a) RSA Identification number;
 - (b) disability status;
 - (c) equity group;
 - (d) marital status;
 - (e) criminal status;
 - (f) indication of the work seeker status of employment;
 - (g) contact details;
 - (h) physical and postal address;
 - (i) school qualification obtained;
 - (j) tertiary qualifications obtained;
 - (k) employment history.
- 2.5 Individuals applying for Ordinary Benefits-Section 17 under the Unemployment Insurance Act, is compelled to register as a work seeker;
- 2.6 Registration as a work seeker is accessible through the Department of Labour at:
 - (a) Labour centres that delivers the services of the Department;
 - (b) Satellite offices of the labour centres of the Department;
 - (c) The website of the Department; or
 - (d) Any other service delivery point that may be determined by the Minister of Labour.

- 2.7 Registered work seekers shall ensure that the information reflected on the national register, is correct and updated.
- 2.8 The national register of work seekers will be the source to recruit candidates for work opportunities or participation in work schemes.

3. Referral of work seekers

The Department has the right to refer registered work seekers for the following:

- 3.1 Unemployed Insurance Claim provided that the work seeker has availed himself/herself for any available job opportunity and or any other PES service. Failure to do so will result in non-payment of unemployment insurance.
- 3.2 Providing career guidance, employment counselling and any other related life skills to secure employment or other forms of work
- 3.3 Conducting assessment of work seeker to determine suitability
- 3.4 Referral to any available work opportunity that the work seeker qualifies for, upon being matched by the system.
- 3.5 Referral to any available work scheme to enhance their employability, upon being matched.

4. Facilitating exchange of information

The Department may link with relevant external databases of registered work seekers to facilitate the following:

- 4.1 Consolidate information of unemployed work seekers in the Republic of South Africa.
- 4.2 Source work seekers for available registered opportunities, if the department is unable to match registered work seekers with available registered opportunity from its system.

5. Deregistration of work seekers

Registered work seekers may be deregistered from the national registered, if:

(a) the personal information provided by the individual, is false;

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- (b) the registered work seeker requests the Department to be deregistered;
- (c) the work seeker fails to update his/her information for a period of two years.
- (d) the work seeker fails to avail himself/herself for at least any 3 consecutive relevant referrals.

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