

## SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

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## SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY (SAQA)

## INVITATION TO COMMENT:

## REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON SAQA'S INTENTION TO REGISTER PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATIONS

In accordance with the *National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008* (Act No. 67 of 2008) and the South African Qualifications Authority's (SAQA) *Policy and Criteria for Recognising a Professional Body and Registering a Professional Designation for the Purposes of the National Qualifications Framework Act, Act 67 of 2008 (As amended, September 2020)* referred to as the *P&C for professional bodies*, SAQA invites comment from interested parties on the following application received to register additional professional designations.

**1. Registration of Additional Designations**

The public is invited to comment on SAQA's intention to register additional designations for the Professional Body listed below:

- 1.1 South African Institute of Taxation (SAIT)  
**Five additional professional designation titles**
  - (a) Customs Compliance Practitioner
  - (b) General Customs and Trade Practitioner
  - (c) Master Customs and Trade Practitioner
  - (d) Tax Accounting Compiler
  - (e) Tax Accounting Officer
- 1.2 South African Association of Health and Skincare Professionals (SAAHSP)  
**One additional professional designation title**
  - (a) Advanced Aesthetic Therapist

The detailed SAIT and SAAHSP applications, seeking registration of its additional professional designations, is available on the SAQA website at [saqa.org.za](http://saqa.org.za).

Public comments regarding the above must reach SAQA no later than 30 days after publication of this Notice. All correspondence must be addressed to Mr JHA Nel, Senior Manager: Registration and Recognition at e-mail addresses: [jnel@saqa.co.za](mailto:jnel@saqa.co.za) / [kmadue@saqa.co.za](mailto:kmadue@saqa.co.za).

**2. Withdrawal of recognition of a recognised Professional Body**

In accordance with the *National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008* (Act No. 67 of 2008) and in accordance with Clause 22. a. of the *P&C for professional bodies*, SAQA may withdraw the recognition status from a professional body if the body no longer complies with the *P&C for professional bodies*.

The South African Chemical Institute (SACI), a non-statutory professional body, was recognised by SAQA with effect from 18 November 2015.

On 18 June 2021, SAQA received a request from SACI to withdraw its recognition status and de-register its designation from the National Qualifications Framework (NQF).

On 2 November 2021, SAQA's Professional Bodies Committee withdrew the recognition status of SACI and de-registered its professional designation from the NQF.

**The withdrawal of recognition of the Professional Body:**

- South African Chemical Institute (SACI); and

**The de-registration of Professional Designation:**

- Professional Chemist (PrChemSA)



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