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DIRECTIVE TO ALL TRAINING INSTITUTIONS

It has come to our attention that training organisations in terms of SAQCC training for Fire Extinguisher Technicians are not laying out the process and full requirements for registration to their prospective students.

To ensure prospective students are fully aware of the procedures concerning the qualification, the following will be communicated to them before the training commences, and they will sign a document concerning this matter.

This document will be containing the following:

I _____ (Name) of _____ (Company) have communicated verbally the requirements to register as a competent person as defined by SANS 1475

- a. You must complete a six months' work experience process with a SANS 1475 Company under the guidance of a 1475 registered competent person. This means you have to be fully employed with a SANS 1475 company i.e. for practical purposes full time. (Meaning physically practicing service/maintenance for a minimum of 6 hours per day at least five (5) days per week).
- b. Being employed Part time or as a casual will not be acceptable.
- c. Once you have successfully passed your training at this establishment you will be issued a certificate, and this training is valid for Two (2) years and then will lapse if you have not registered by then as competent person whereupon you will have to complete the full course again.
- d. The certificate issued does not allow you to service any extinguisher, hose reel or hydrant until you have completed your practical under a competent person's guidance, and have registered as a competent person with the SAQCC Fire
- e. Should you ignore these requirements, and perform any illegal work in terms of the legislation and the Pressure equipment regulations, the following action will be taken:
 1. You will be permanently denied registration with SAQCC
 2. You may be prosecuted under the laws of South Africa
- f. A copy of this document will be sent with your training certificate to SAQCC, and will be held on file until the Company that employs you submits official registration of a trainee form.

I _____ (Name) _____ (I.D Number) understand the implications involved in accepting the training concerned, and will abide with the requirements of a. to f.

Signed this day ___ of _____ 20__ at _____

Training Establishments not informing prospective students of the implications concerning the requirements to become a registered competent person, will be instructed by the SAQCC Fire to cancel the training certificate and return all costs to the concerned student.

Unless you, the training institute, can prove that the student has been informed of the requirements. SAQCC will always take the student's side concerning this matter.

