

TERMS AND CRITERIA APPLICABLE TO COMPETING IN THE WORLDSKILLS COMPETITION

TERMS:

1.1 WorldSkills Competition Explained

1.1.1. The WorldSkills Competition is an international event where people not older than 22-years of age represent their countries and compete with each in various artisanal trades and skills categories.

1.1.2. The next WorldSkills International Competition will be held in Kazan, Russia from 29 August to 03 September 2019.

1.1.3. South Africa will be taking part in the WorldSkills Kazan Competition in 2019 and will feature in the specified skills category.

1.1.4. One competitor per skills area will be selected through Provincial and National competitions to represent South Africa per skills category at the WorldSkills Competition.

1.1.5. The Provincial/Regional and National Competitions are run on a 'process of elimination' basis and the top competitor at the National Competition will be considered to represent South Africa.

1.1.6. The preparation and all other costs for the competitor to represent South Africa at the WorldSkills Competition are funded by WorldSkills SA through the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET).

1.1.7. The competition program is as follows:

The competition has four stages:

Stage 1 is a competition on college level to select qualifiers per skills area for the Provincial competition.

Stage 2 is a Provincial regional practical Competition for qualifying competitors.

Stage 3 is a National practical competition for qualifying competitors of stage 2

Stage 4 is the WorldSkills International Competition in Kazan 2019 for the selected South African competitor.

- It all begins with an application to enter the competition. This entry form must be submitted by **Saturday 31 March 2018**.
- Stage-1 will be from April to June 2018 at a TVET College (please see the website for further information).
- The details of **Stage 2** will be known to competitors who are still in contention after stage 1. In October 2018, **Stage 3** will take place.

1.2 Application Criteria

1.2.1. The applicant (**Person entering to compete for any of the Skills except Mechatronics and Mobile Robotics**) must have been born in the year 1997 or later (i.e. 1997, 1998 and onwards).

Please Note: The applicant entering for ***Mechatronics or Mobile Robotics*** must have been born in the year 1994 or later (*i.e. 1994, 1995 and onwards*).

1.2.2. Applicants must be South African citizens.

1.2.3. Applicants must have the necessary skills expertise in the skills category he/she is entering the competition for.

1.2.4. Employed applicants may only enter and/or compete with the consent and approval of his/her employer. *Mark “employed box”.*

1.2.5. Unemployed applicants do not need employer consent and do not have to provide employer details. *Mark “unemployed box”.*

1.2.6. Applicants must submit a certified copy of their South African Identity Document with their applications and they are required to bring their original identification document to the college competition

1.2.7. Applications can be made on the WorldSkills SA website:
www.worldskillssa.dhet.gov.za/applications.aspx

Or the printed Application Form can be emailed to: phoshoko.g@dhet.gov.za

Closing date for all Applications: **31 March 2018.**

1.2.8. Applicants must have good command of the English language

1.2.9. Entrants must make themselves available for marketing purposes by WSSA if required and accept that WSSA holds the right to all media and publications with your inclusion.

1.3 Employer Responsibilities:

1.3.1. Allow the competitor/s to compete in college, Provincial and National Skills Competitions.

1.3.2. Cover the cost for the competitor/s to travel to Provincial and National Competitions.

1.3.3. Allow the selected competitor to represent South Africa at the WorldSkills Competition.

1.3.4. Allow his/her assigned expert to use the workplace and available resources to practice with the competitor.

1.3.5. Give the competitor reasonable time off to go off-site and prepare for the WorldSkills Competition. Quantifiably, reasonable time is expected to be 10% of the competitor’s working hours, excluding time off to attend the WorldSkills Competition.

1.3.6. Assist in the development of the competitor for the WorldSkills Competition.

1.3.7. Give the competitor time off from work to compete in the WorldSkills South Africa Provincial and National competitions.