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APPLICATION FORM

REGISTRATION AS A PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATED ENGINEER

NB: Please consult the enclosed Information Sheets (Sheets D1.1 & D1.2) before completing this Application.

1. General Information:

Surname:		First Names:		PHOTOGRAPH <i>(Passport-type)</i>
Date of Birth:		Identity No:		
Nationality:		Passport No. and Country:	Country of normal residence:	
				<i>(Please paste - do not staple)</i>
Home Address:		Postal Address:		Name & Address of present Employer:
Tel. No. (Home):		Title of Position held:		Tel. No. (Employer):
Tel. No. (Work): <i>(include area codes)</i>				Fax No.: <i>(include area codes)</i>
Cell No.:				E-mail:
E-mail:				

2. Qualifications: (All qualifications at tertiary level other than Government Certificates of Competency.)

Educational Institution	Qualification	Year obtained	Copies attached	Office use

NB: Kindly initial this page in the presence of a Commissioner of Oaths / Justice of Peace.

Applicant:

**Commissioner Of Oaths/
Justice Of Peace:**

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3. Government Certificates of Competency: (Complete for each certificate held)

Type of Certificate	Date Issued	Certificate Number	Office Use	Type of Certificate	Date Issued	Certificate Number	Office Use
MH&S Act – Electrical				MH&S Act – Manager (Metal)			
MH&S Act – Mechanical				MH&S Act – Managers (Coal)			
OH& S Act – Electrical				MS Act – Ch Eng Off : Forgn Going			
OH&S Act – Mechanical				Other – Specify			

4. Legal Appointments: (Spanning a minimum of 3 Years collective applicable experience)

Act/Regulation under which Appointed	Date from	Date to	Employer	Copy attached

5. Previous/Current Registration or Application Details: (eg. Candidate Engineering Technologist, Professional Engineering Technician, etc.)

Type	Category	Number	Date
Previous Registration:			
Current Registration:			
Previous Application:			

6. Membership of Engineering Institutes Recognised in terms of the Act (or other):

(If more space is needed, please supply information separately.)

Institute / Institution	Membership grade and date accepted	Number of years	Office held

7. Application Fee: (See item 7 of the Information Sheet)

My Application fee of R _____ (cheque) is enclosed herewith.

8. Referees:

(1)	(2)
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9. Declaration:

I, _____ (full names) hereby apply for **Registration as a Professional Certificated Engineer** and undertake to abide by all the provisions of the **Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act No. 46 of 2000)** and any **Rules** published thereunder, including the **Code of Professional Conduct**. I declare that Section 19(3)(a) of the Act does not preclude me from registration. I solemnly declare that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information contained herein is true.

Signature: _____

Sworn to/Affirmed before me at _____

on this the _____ day of _____ (month & year).

**Commissioner of Oaths/
Justice of Peace:**

(Commissioner's stamp)

Office Use Only

Application fee: R _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____

(Council's stamp)

Information Sheet for Applicants applying for Registration as a Professional Certificated Engineer

A. General:

- (i) The Council will only consider your application for registration as a Professional Certificated Engineer if the following documents are submitted:
- Completed Application Form (D1.1 & D1.2).
 - Certified copies of qualifications.
 - Certified copies of Certificate of Competency.
 - Certified copies of applicable legal appointment documentation.
 - Completed Training/Experience Report (Forms D2.1), one for each training/experience period and a Summary of Training/Experience Reports (Form D2.2).
 - Referee/Employer Report(s), duly completed on Form D4.1 & D4.2.
- (ii) Please submit **complete** information.
- (iii) **All** questions must be answered.
- (iv) In completing all forms use type or print clearly in **black ink** to ensure clear copying.
- (v) All supporting documents **must** be clearly marked for purposes of identification.
- (vi) **Application fee** must accompany the completed application. NB. See item 7 below.

Please note the following:

- Your application for registration will only be considered when all referee reports have been received by the Council. If the referee reports do not reach the Council within a reasonable time, you will be notified accordingly. You will then be expected to contact the referees.
- The registration process may take **6 (six) months** or longer to complete and each applicant will be informed of the Council's decision as soon as it becomes available.
- Information regarding the progress of any application will not be given telephonically.
- Please note that it is **your** responsibility to ensure that all reports reach the Council's offices timeously.

Applicants who have a recognised qualification including a recognised certificate of competency, but who do not have appropriate post-qualification experience may be registered as candidate certificated engineers.

B. Application Form:

The following information is given to assist applicants to complete this form – the numbers refer to the equally numbered sections of the Application Form.

- 1. General Information:** Ensure that all personal details are correct. A recent passport-type photograph of the applicant is required.
- 2. Qualifications:** Original certified copies of your qualification certificate(s) leading up to attainment of your certificate of competency must be submitted.
- 3. Certificates of Competency:** The Certificates of Competency (which should not be of limited scope) recognised in terms of the Engineering Profession Act, are given below:

¹ Electrical Engineer's Certificate of Competency issued i.t.o. the Mines Health and Safety Act (MH&S Act)

¹ Mechanical Engineer's Certificate of Competency issued i.t.o. the MH&S Act

² Electrical Engineer's Certificate of Competency issued i.t.o. the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OH&S Act)

² Mechanical Engineer's Certificate of Competency issued i.t.o. the OH&S Act
Manager's Certificate of Competency (Metalliferous) issued i.t.o. the MH&S Act
Manager's Certificate of Competency (Coal) issued i.t.o. the MH&S Act

³ Chief Engineer Officer – Foreign Going Certificate of Competency issued i.t.o. the Merchant Shipping Act (MS Act)

¹ Previously also known as the Mines and Works Certificate. ² Previously also known as the Factories Certificate.

³ Previously also known as the Chief Marine Engineer Officer Class 1 Certificate.

Give the details required for each certificate held.

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4. **Legal Appointments:** As a minimum, an applicant must have been appointed in terms of current (or previous) safety Acts and regulations, and must furnish the Council with certified copies of the letters and supporting documentation. (Subparagraph (a) of paragraph 3.2.2 of ECSA Policy Statement R1/1.) It is of vital importance for an applicant to state the date on which he/she was appointed in terms of the relevant Act as the legal responsible person and to attach a certified copy of the letter of appointment.
5. **Previous/Current Registration or Application details:** If you have previously applied for registration in any category, or were previously registered but your registration was cancelled for any reason, please provide category and registration number in relevant block. If you are currently registered in another category, also complete the appropriate block.
6. **Membership of Recognised Engineering Institutes:** A list of institutes recognised by Council for purposes of a reduction in annual fees is attached as **Addendum A**. Proof of current membership of such institute will qualify you for a reduction in your annual fee should your application be successful.

Persons who have applied for membership of any of the above-mentioned institutes, but who have not yet been accepted, must indicate this in the appropriate block. Membership of other institutes not recognised may be stated, but this does not qualify the applicant for a reduction in the annual fee.

7. **Application and Annual Fees: Only cheques** must accompany your application form, as **no cash or postal orders will be accepted**. If you do not have a cheque account, you may deposit cash at any Standard Bank into ECSA's account. Please contact our Accounts Department at (011) 607-9530/1/2/3 or Reception at (011) 607-9500 to obtain our banking details. Alternatively you may make payment (1) via the internet, or (2) you may ask your bank for a bank cheque to be made out to ECSA, (3) contact your bank's telephone banking division to make payment into ECSA's account or (4) by credit card by phoning our Accounts Department. When making the deposit please ensure that your name, initials and registration number are entered in the field named "Depositor's name or reference number" and attach a copy of the proof of deposit to your application form. Refer to separate sheet regarding fees payable, or visit ECSA's website at http://www.ecsa.co.za/Finance/20052006/AppAnnual_Fees.htm or contact the Council's offices at (011) 607-9500 to determine the current fee.

8. Referees:

Each applicant must, with the permission of the persons concerned, supply the Council with the names and addresses of two referees. Referees must be senior to the applicant during the period of reference, should have personal knowledge of the applicant's character as well as of his engineering experience and legal appointments and be registered with ECSA as either a Professional Certificated Engineer or a Professional Engineer. At least one referee must be a Professional Certificated Engineer and at least one referee must refer to your current period of employment and experience.

Use Form D3 for formal correspondence with each referee, and enclose copies of the referee report (Form D4.1 & D4.2) and the guideline for referees (Sheets D4.1 & D4.2). It is suggested that you provide each referee with an addressed envelope with prepaid postage for the referee to forward the report direct to Council.

9. **Declaration:** Section 19(3)(a) of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act No. 46 of 2000) reads:

"Despite subsection (2), the Council may refuse to register an applicant -

- (i) *if the applicant has been removed from an office of trust on account of improper conduct;*
- (ii) *has been convicted of an offence in the Republic, other than an offence committed prior to 27 April 1994 associated with political objectives, and was sentenced to imprisonment without an option of a fine, or, in the case of fraud, to a fine or imprisonment or both;*
- (iii) *if the applicant has, subject to paragraph (b), been convicted of an offence in a foreign country and was sentenced to imprisonment without an option of a fine, or, in the case of fraud, to a fine or imprisonment or both;*
- (iv) *if the applicant is declared by the High Court to be of unsound mind or mentally disordered, or is detained under the Mental Health Act, 1973;*

- (v) *for as long as the applicant is disqualified from registration as a result of any punishment imposed on him or her under this Act;*
- (vi) *if the applicant is an unrehabilitated insolvent whose insolvency was caused by his or her negligence or incompetence in performing work falling within the scope of the category in respect of which he or she is applying for registration."*

Note that your application must be sworn to or affirmed before a Commissioner of Oaths or a Justice of Peace. Your attention is drawn to the initialling required at the bottom of the first page of the Application Form.

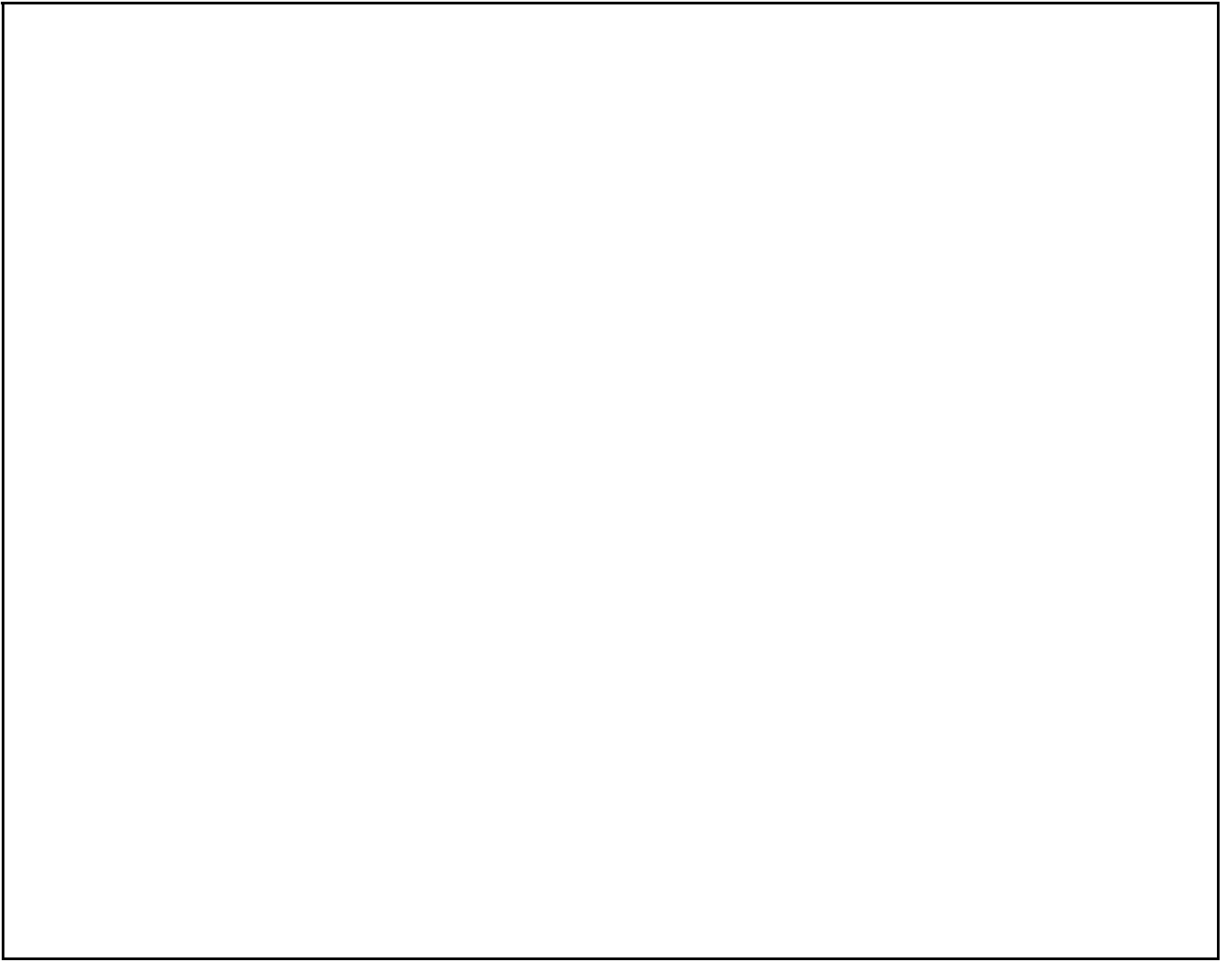
TRAINING/EXPERIENCE REPORT
PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATED ENGINEERS

Page No: ____ of ____

Surname and Initials: _____

Consult the enclosed Information Sheet (Sheets D2.1 & D2.2) before completing this report.

Period No:	Date from:	to:	Position held:	No. of Months:
Was this period covered by a legal appointment? Yes ___ No ___ If yes, state the Act and Regulation concerned.				
Act: _____		Regulation: _____		
Employer Name & Address:		Supervisor's Name and Address:		Supervisor's Signature:
				Date:
		ECSA Registration No:		



Signature of Applicant: _____ **Date:** _____

SUMMARY OF TRAINING/EXPERIENCE REPORTS : PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATED ENGINEERS

Surname and Initials: _____

First complete a Form D2.1 for each period.

Period No:	Dates (inclusive)		Period in years, months after obtaining G.C.C.	Employer	Post held	Legal Appointment	Subject and type of work
	From:	To:					
Total years, months:							

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Information Sheet for the completion of the Training/Experience Report

1. To register as a Professional Certificated Engineer, a minimum period of three (3) years appropriate post-Government Certificate of Competency experience, which shall include a legal appointment as a Certificated Engineer for at least one (1) year, and updating of competence throughout, is required. Only experience and legal appointments, which meet the following requirements, shall be considered:

- 1.1 Legal appointment:

An appointment, which requires the possession of a Government Certificate of Competency, as a **Manager** or as an **Engineer** in terms of the Mines Health and Safety Act, 1996 (Act No. 29 of 1996), or as an **Engineer** in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993) or as a **Chief Engineer Officer – Foreign Going** on a vessel with a registered power of no less than 3 000 kW in terms of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1951 (Act No. 57 of 1951), or in terms of any Act which preceded or superseded any of the Acts mentioned above, and which demonstrates the applicant's competence to implement and manage the provisions of these Acts, and ensure the safe operation and maintenance of plant and equipment .

- 1.2 Experience:

Experience gained in engineering design, draughting, problem solving, construction, training and management - project, construction, quality and general, provided that at least two (2) of the required three (3) years of experience are directly concerned with the installation, operation and/or maintenance of machinery which requires sound engineering judgement, ability to work in a team, sound communication skills and management and which demonstrates the applicant's competence at the required level of a certificated engineer over the full three year period.

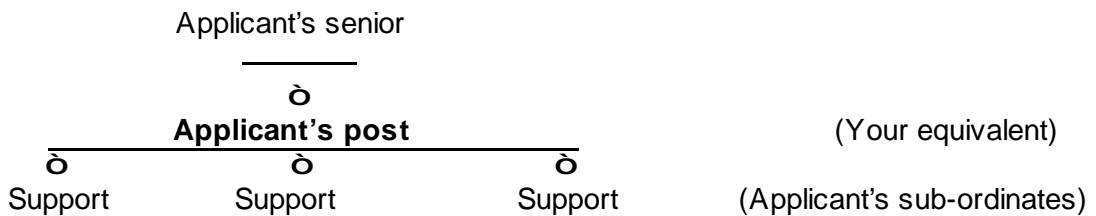
2. In the case of marine engineers, as an alternate to the specified experience above, the following will be considered:

Experience gained as the appointed Chief Marine Engineer Officer for five (5) years, on a variety of vessels with registered power of no less than 2 200 kW plus at least six (6) months experience in an acting capacity as Supervising Marine Engineer, with proven continuing updating of competence during this period, will be considered in lieu of the experience specified above.

Experience as a mine captain / overseer / general engineering supervisor does not count as appropriate experience.

3. In completing the report you should note the following:

- 3.1 Your engineering experience must be completed in chronological order from the date you obtained your certificate to the date of application. The report must be completed without any gaps. Each Form D2.1 must be numbered chronologically.
- 3.2 Use no more than 200 words to describe each period of training/experience.
- 3.3 The information given on each Form D2.1 should be adequately detailed to permit an assessment of the level of engineering work performed.
- 3.4 If you have been promoted during the above period, or you received a legal appointment, or if the level of your responsibility or function has changed, or if you have changed employers, describe your training/experience after the change-over under a new period number. This is required in order to enable you to indicate clearly the changes in your responsibility, authority, other functions and specifically to identify periods involving a legal appointment.
- 3.5 Additional information can be attached in the form of letters, sworn statements etc. You must sign each document and indicate clearly to which period the document refers.
- 3.6 Please include an organigram indicating your degree of responsibility as shown in the example below.



- 3.7 Please indicate the number of people you are responsible for within the organisation and the budget which you control, if applicable.
- 3.8 No other report, form or curriculum vitae will be accepted as a substitute for Forms D2.1 & D2.2.

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PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATED ENGINEERS

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Name of Referee **Date**

Address:
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Dear Sir

I have applied to the Engineering Council of South Africa for **Registration as a Professional Certificated Engineer** and hereby request you to provide the Council with your evaluation of my experience and capabilities, on the basis of your personal knowledge thereof.

Please use the attached Forms D4.1 & D4.2 and consult the guideline for referees (Sheets D4.1 & D4.2).

In making this request to you I acknowledge that the information which will be supplied by you to ECSA is of a confidential nature and that I have no right thereto.

Your co-operation and early despatch of the document direct to the Council would be appreciated, as it would expedite the processing of my application.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

Yours faithfully

.....
Signature of Applicant **Name of Applicant** (Please print)

Address:
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Postal Code

Telephone No:

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(b) Legal appointments of applicant:

Periods of legal accountability	Legal appointment	Brief description of responsibility

3. Referee's Assessment of Applicant's Competency based on:

Competency of Applicant	Exceptional	Above average	Average	Below average	Do not know
Ability to accept responsibility					
Quality of work					
Communication skills and abilities					
Management skills					
Application of technical knowledge					
Application of legal knowledge					
Professional and ethical conduct					
Engineering judgement					

Remarks: The Council would appreciate any additional remarks concerning the applicant's engineering achievements, ability and possible limitations.

4. Referee's Recommendation:

I regard the applicant competent to be registered as a Professional Certificated Engineer:

Yes	No	No Comment	Do Not Know

5. Declaration by Referee: I hereby confirm that I am conversant with the Council's requirements for registration as set out in Policy Statement R1/1 as well as the instructions on this referee report, and that I am prepared to substantiate my view expressed herein at an interview, should the Council require me to do so. I also confirm that I submit this information to ECSA on the understanding that it will be treated as confidential.

Name of Referee: _____ Title of Position held: _____

Qualifications: _____

ECSA Registration: _____ Registration No: _____

Employer: _____ Tel. No: _____

Signature of Referee: _____ Date: _____

Please post to:

**Ō The Chief Executive Officer | Engineering Council of South Africa
Private Bag X691 | BRUMA | 2026**

REFEREE GUIDELINE
FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE REFEREE REPORT
PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATED ENGINEERS

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2. COMPLETING THE REFEREE REPORT

2.1 Aim

The referee report is a necessary and supplementary document to the applicant's application for registration as a Professional Certificated Engineer with ECSA. The aim is to convey to the Council, on a confidential basis, the personal knowledge which the referee or the employer has of the applicant and in the process to make a reasoned evaluation of the applicant's capabilities.

2.2 Motivation

It is necessary that the referee or employer be able to clearly and strongly motivate his/her opinion in respect of the applicant's readiness for registration. The referee must, when supplying reasons, consider the minimum legal registration requirements.

When signing the referee report, referees declare that they are acquainted with Council's Policy Statement R1/1 and that they are prepared to be interviewed by the Council to substantiate their view point, should Council require them to do so.

2.3 Evaluation

The referee must carefully evaluate the applicant's capabilities. This report is **not a character study**. An evaluation of the candidate's ethical and professional competence is required.

Referees should have a personal knowledge of an applicant and his/her work and they should be able to give a professional opinion on his/her engineering ability, level of engineering responsibility and professional conduct during the period of time of their knowledge of the applicant's activities.

The referee must carefully evaluate the applicant's capabilities and correctly and accurately complete the report as Council attaches great value to the information, which is supplied by the referee.

3. GENERAL

The Referee Report should be returned directly to ECSA by the referee. Referees are requested to have their assessments typed or to complete the report in legible block letters using black ink to ensure clear copying, since written assessments are frequently not very legible and to the detriment of the applicant.

4. CONFIDENTIALITY

ECSA undertakes to protect the confidentiality of all the information received from the referee.

Recognised Institutes/Associations for purposes of reduction in Annual Fees

AMMSA	Association of Mine Managers of South Africa
AMRE	Association of Mine Resident Engineers
CEASA	Clinical Engineering Association of South Africa
COET	The Chamber of Engineering Technology
ICMEESA	Institution of Certificated Mechanical & Electrical Engineers, SA
ILESA	Institute of Lighting Engineers of Southern Africa
ILIASA	Independent Lift Inspectors Association of South Africa
IMESA	Institution of Municipal Engineering of Southern Africa
IPET	Institute of Professional Engineering Technologists
IRE	Institute of Refractories Engineers
MMMA	Mine Metallurgical Managers' Association of South Africa
RAeSSA	The Royal Aeronautical Society of South Africa
SAACE	South African Association of Consulting Engineers
SABI	The South African Irrigation Institute
SABTACO	South African Black Technical & Allied Careers Organization
SACEA	South African Colliery Engineers' Association
SACMA	South African Colliery Managers' Association
SAIAE	South African Institute of Agricultural Engineers
SAICE	South African Institution of Civil Engineering
SAIChE	South African Institution of Chemical Engineers
SAID	South African Institute of Draughting
SAIEE	South African Institute of Electrical Engineers
SAIETE	South African Institute of Electrical Technician Engineers
SAIIE	Southern African Institute of Industrial Engineers
SAIMC	South African Institute of Measurement and Control
SAIMechE	South African Institution of Mechanical Engineering
SAIMENA	South African Institute of Marine Engineers & Naval Architects
SAIMM	South African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy
SAINT	South African Institute of Non-Destructive Testing
SAIRAC	South African Institute of Refrigeration and Air-conditioning
SAIW	South African Institute of Welding
SAWEK	Suid-Afrikaanse Akademie vir Wetenskap en Kuns:
SPE	Ingenieursafdeling South African Society for Professional Engineers

Partial exemption is granted to Registered Persons who are members of an Engineering Association recognised by ECSA. This concession will cease to apply after **31 March 2006**, unless the Association becomes recognised as a "Voluntary Association" prior to that date. For more information about Recognition of Voluntary Associations, view www.ecsa.co.za and click on "Legal".

Please note: Proof of membership must be submitted.

Application and Annual Fees

1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006

(Vat included)

Application Fees

1. Candidate Categories:

Within one calendar year from the date of obtaining a qualification recognised for purposes of registration	Later than one calendar year after the date of obtaining a qualification recognised for purposes of registration
R 110.00	R 440.00

2. Professional & Registered Categories:

For Applicant with uninterrupted registration as a Candidate	For Applicants not registered in any of the Candidate categories
R 990.00	R 1 430.00

3. International Register:

R 715.00

Annual Fees

Candidates ⁽¹⁾		Professional & Registered Categories	
Partial Exemption	No Exemption	Partial Exemption ⁽⁴⁾	No Exemption
R 340.00	R 550.00	R 770.00	R 1 330.00

- Notes:**
- (1) Persons registered in the Candidate category for more than **six (6) years**, pay the same annual fees as persons registered in the Professional category.
 - (2) The annual fee for the **International Register** is considered as "Dual Registration" and is covered by the annual fee for registration as a Professional Engineer.
 - (3) The annual fee for **Retired Persons** (55-70 yrs) is **R100**, subject to approval. Retired Persons over 70 are exempted.
 - (4) Partial exemption is granted to registered persons who are members of an engineering association recognised by ECSA. This concession will cease to apply after **31 March 2006**, unless the Association becomes recognised as a "Voluntary Association" prior to that date. For more information about Recognition of Voluntary Associations, view www.ecsa.co.za and click on "Legal".
 - (5) Kindly refrain from paying in cash or postal orders. The **preferred methods of payment** are either by **cheque, credit card or electronically**. No cash is received at ECSA's Offices if applicants hand their applications in personally.