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SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY
PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION:
CD (SA) - Chartered Director

DESIGNATION ID	DESIGNATION TITLE	
422	CD (SA) - Chartered Director	
PROFESSIONAL BODY	DESIGNATION STATUS	
IoDSA - Institute of Directors in Southern Africa	Registered	
SAQA DECISION NUMBER	REGISTRATION START DATE	REGISTRATION END DATE
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DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of this designation is to formalise the criteria against which directors will be assessed in order to be awarded the designation "CD (SA)".

A qualifying Chartered Director will have demonstrated the following professional competencies:

- Integrate general knowledge of corporate governance principles, theories and structures into the execution of board responsibilities.
- Ensure compliance with all legal requirements.
- Perform duties as a director in a manner that is beyond reproach.
- Oversee the development and implementation of robust strategies that drive the creation of wealth in a sustainable way.
- Oversee the governance of ethics throughout the organisation.
- Exercise oversight of the remuneration strategies of the organisation.
- Exercise oversight of compliance with all legal requirements.
- Executive Directors - Provide assurance to stakeholders that controls are adequate and effective.

Non-executive Directors - Exercise oversight to ensure that the provisions of controls are adequate and effective:

- Use financial information presented to the board to inform decision making.
- Identify and manage risk throughout an organisation using suitable instruments, policies and strategies.
- Drive integrity of systems supporting the delivery of strategic objectives.
- Drive integrity of all reports and effective controls.
- Engage effectively with board members, stakeholders and management.
- Ensure alignment of reporting to globally recognised standards and principles.

AWARDING CRITERIA

For the Professional Designation to be awarded, professionals must comply with the following minimum requirements:

Underlying Registered Qualification or Part Qualification:

NQF Level 7 qualification or higher or be able to demonstrate substantial and appropriate experience of at least 10 years as a director.

Experiential Learning or Experience

Must have practiced as a director of a company or held an equivalent office in any other entity that is an incorporate body, for at least 3 years during the 5 years prior to application.

Competency Assessment

Must successfully complete the CD(SA) certification process, comprising the Portfolio of Qualifications and Experience (PQE), the Examination and the Peer Review.

Designation RPL Statement

This Designation may not be awarded through Recognition of Prior Learning.

RETAINING CRITERIA

In order to ensure the currency of professional knowledge and to retain the Professional Designation, the professional must comply with the following minimum requirements:

Code of Conduct

Members must adhere to the Professional Body Codes of Conduct and Ethics.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

Commit to continually enhancing professionalism by participating in structured continuing professional development (CPD) activities. Requirements are detailed in the CPD Guidelines for CD (SA):

- All Chartered Directors are obliged to engage in CPD - it is not an optional extra.
- CPD needs to be a systematic and deliberate programme of activities that are carefully planned, with the help of a personal development plan or PDP, monitored, managed and recorded.
- Chartered Directors are required to participate in a minimum of 30 CPD hours per annum.
- Chartered Directors are required to record their CPD activities on a CPD record card and submit for evaluation annually.

Fees

Ensure that the annual membership fee is paid.

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION PROGRESSION PATHWAY

(The Designation being reported on here is shown in italics.)

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