



CHANGES IN THE EDUCATION LANDSCAPE FOR TOURIST GUIDES

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BACKGROUND

- ▶ The National Qualifications Framework Act, 2008 (Act 67 of 2008) established the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) with three distinctive sub-frameworks that together functions as a single integrated system.
- ▶ These sub-frameworks are:
 - General and Further Education and Training
 - Higher Education and
 - Trades and Occupations.
- ▶ QCTO listed as Public Entity in Gov. Gazette No 33900 of 31 December 2010 effective from 1 April 2010 and must establish the Sub-framework for Trades and Occupations.
- ▶ The QCTO is responsible for the development, maintenance and quality assurance of occupational qualifications within its sub-framework.

NQF Level	MHET Determination on Sub-Framework and Qualifications Types (Government Gazette No 36803 – 30 August 2013)	
10	Doctoral Degree Doctoral Degree (Professional)	*
9	Master's Degree Master's Degree (Professional)	*
8	Bachelor Honours Degree Post Graduate Diploma Bachelor's Degree	Occupational Certificate (Level 8)
7	Bachelor 's Degree Advanced Diploma	Occupational Certificate (Level 7)
6	Diploma Advanced Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 6)
5	Higher Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 5)
4	National Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 4)
3	Intermediate Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 3)
2	Elementary Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 2)
1	General Certificate	Occupational Certificate (Level 1)



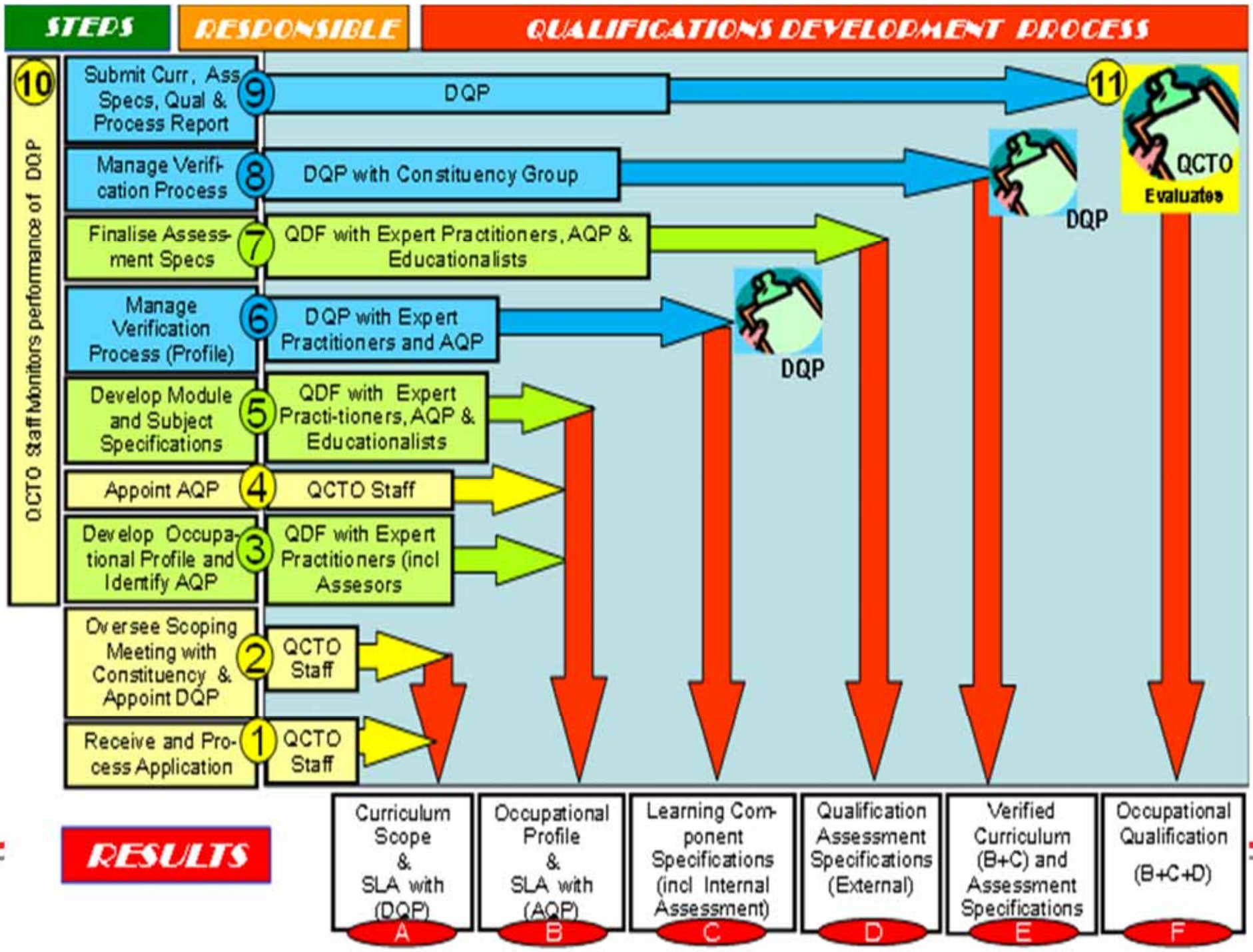
QCTO MANDATE FROM SDA

- ▶ 'the QCTO is responsible for
 - establishing and maintaining occupational standards and qualifications'
 - 'the quality assurance of occupational standards and qualifications and learning in and for the workplace'
 - Designing and developing occupational standards and qualifications and submitting them to the SAQA for registration on the NQF
 - Ensuring the quality of occupational standards and qualifications and learning in and for the workplace;
- (SDA, 2008, Section 26H, 3)



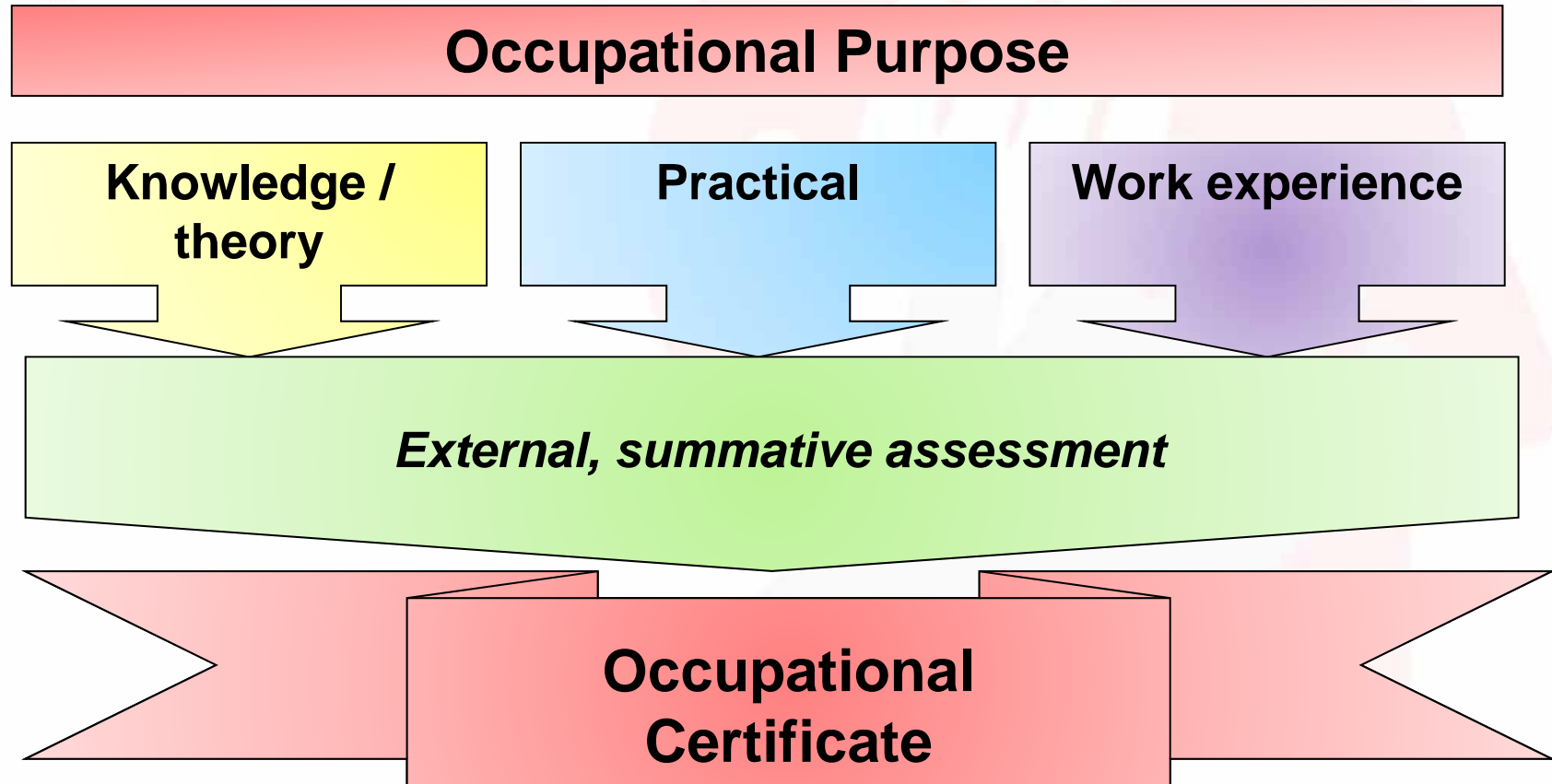
WHAT IS AN OCCUPATIONAL QUALIFICATION?

- The term ‘occupational qualification’ is defined in the SDA as:
‘a qualification associated with a trade, occupation or profession, resulting from work-based learning and consisting of knowledge unit standards, practical unit standards and work experience unit standards’. All occupational qualifications are assessed externally through a nationally standardised integrated summative assessment.
- The purpose of an occupational qualification is to
 - qualify a learner to practice an occupation that is reflected on the Organising Framework for Occupations (OFO) or an occupational specialisation related to an occupation that is reflected on the OFO.





Occupation qualification & curriculum





PROPOSED QUALIFICATION SCOPE

OCCUPATION GROUP

511302 Tour Guide

Escorts visitors on sightseeing, educational or other tours, and describes and explains points of interest.



PROPOSED QUALIFICATION SCOPE

OCCUPATION GROUP

511302 Tour Guide

Alternative Titles and Specialisations

(Continued):

- Tour Coordinator
- Tour Director
- Tour Escort
- Tour Leader



PROPOSED QUALIFICATION SCOPE

OCCUPATION GROUP

511302 Tour Guide

Alternative Titles and Specialisations:

- Inbound Tour Operator
- Regional Guide
- Sightseeing Guide
- Tour Controller

511302 Tour Guide

Scoping meeting on 22 October 2013

- CATHSSETA was nominated as DQP
- FGASA was nominated as AQP
- A Service Level Agreement between QCTO and CATHSSETA finalisation.
- Commencement of the Qualification Development Work

THANK YOU !

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