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SECTION 1

NATIONAL CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT POLICY STATEMENT FOR

VISUAL ARTS

1.1 **Background**

The *National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12 (NCS)* stipulates policy on curriculum and assessment in the schooling sector.

To improve implementation, the National Curriculum Statement was amended, with the amendments coming into effect in January 2012. A single comprehensive Curriculum and Assessment Policy document was developed for each subject to replace Subject Statements, Learning Programme Guidelines and Subject Assessment Guidelines in Grades R - 12.

1.2 **Overview**

(a) The *National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12 (January 2012)* represents a policy statement for learning and teaching in South African schools and comprises the following:

(i) National Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements for each approved school subject;

(ii) The policy document, *National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12; and*


(b) The *National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12 (January 2012)* replaces the two current national curricula statements, namely the

(i) *Revised National Curriculum Statement Grades R - 9, Government Gazette No. 23406 of 31 May 2002,* and


(c) The national curriculum statements contemplated in subparagraphs (a) and (b) comprise the following policy documents which will be incrementally repealed by the *National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12 (January 2012)* during the period 2012-2014:
(i) The Learning Area/Subject Statements, Learning Programme Guidelines and Subject Assessment Guidelines for Grades R - 9 and Grades 10 – 12;


(iii) The policy document, the National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), promulgated in Government Gazette No.27819 of 20 July 2005;

(iv) The policy document, An addendum to the policy document, the National Senior Certificate: A qualification at Level 4 on the National Qualifications Framework (NQF), regarding learners with special needs, published in Government Gazette, No.29466 of 11 December 2006, is incorporated in the policy document, National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12; and


(c) The policy document, National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12, and the sections on the Curriculum and Assessment Policy as contemplated in Chapters 2, 3 and 4 of this document constitute the norms and standards of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12. It will therefore, in terms of section 6A of the South African Schools Act, 1996 (Act No. 84 of 1996,) form the basis for the Minister of Basic Education to determine minimum outcomes and standards, as well as the processes and procedures for the assessment of learner achievement to be applicable to public and independent schools.

1.3 General aims of the South African Curriculum

(a) The National Curriculum Statement Grades R - 12 gives expression to the knowledge, skills and values worth learning in South African schools. This curriculum aims to ensure that children acquire and apply knowledge and skills in ways that are meaningful to their own lives. In this regard, the curriculum promotes knowledge in local contexts, while being sensitive to global imperatives.

(b) The National Curriculum Statement Grades R - 12 serves the purposes of:
equipping learners, irrespective of their socio-economic background, race, gender, physical ability or intellectual ability, with the knowledge, skills and values necessary for self-fulfilment, and meaningful participation in society as citizens of a free country;

- providing access to higher education;
- facilitating the transition of learners from education institutions to the workplace; and
- providing employers with a sufficient profile of a learner’s competences.

(c) The National Curriculum Statement Grades R - 12 is based on the following principles:

- Social transformation: ensuring that the educational imbalances of the past are redressed, and that equal educational opportunities are provided for all sections of the population;
- Active and critical learning: encouraging an active and critical approach to learning, rather than rote and uncritical learning of given truths;
- High knowledge and high skills: the minimum standards of knowledge and skills to be achieved at each grade are specified and set high, achievable standards in all subjects;
- Progression: content and context of each grade shows progression from simple to complex;
- Human rights, inclusivity, environmental and social justice: infusing the principles and practices of social and environmental justice and human rights as defined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa. The National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12 is sensitive to issues of diversity such as poverty, inequality, race, gender, language, age, disability and other factors;
- Valuing indigenous knowledge systems: acknowledging the rich history and heritage of this country as important contributors to nurturing the values contained in the Constitution; and
- Credibility, quality and efficiency: providing an education that is comparable in quality, breadth and depth to those of other countries.

(d) The National Curriculum Statement Grades R - 12 aims to produce learners that are able to:

- identify and solve problems and make decisions using critical and creative thinking;
- work effectively as individuals and with others as members of a team;
- organise and manage themselves and their activities responsibly and effectively;
- collect, analyse, organise and critically evaluate information;
- communicate effectively using visual, symbolic and/or language skills in various modes;
• use science and technology effectively and critically showing responsibility towards the environment and the health of others; and
• demonstrate an understanding of the world as a set of related systems by recognising that problem solving contexts do not exist in isolation.

(e) Inclusivity should become a central part of the organisation, planning and teaching at each school. This can only happen if all teachers have a sound understanding of how to recognise and address barriers to learning, and how to plan for diversity.

The key to managing inclusivity is ensuring that barriers are identified and addressed by all the relevant support structures within the school community, including teachers, District-Based Support Teams, Institutional-Level Support Teams, parents and Special Schools as Resource Centres. To address barriers in the classroom, teachers should use various curriculum differentiation strategies such as those included in the Department of Basic Education’s Guidelines for Inclusive Teaching and Learning (2010).

1.4 Time Allocation
1.4.1 Foundation Phase

(a) The instructional time in the Foundation Phase is as follows:

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<td>• Beginning Knowledge</td>
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<td>• Creative Arts</td>
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(b) Instructional time for Grades R, 1 and 2 is 23 hours and for Grade 3 is 25 hours.

(c) Ten hours are allocated for languages in Grades R-2 and 11 hours in Grade 3. A maximum of 8 hours and a minimum of 7 hours are allocated for Home Language and a minimum of 2 hours and a maximum of 3 hours for Additional Language in Grades R – 2. In Grade 3 a maximum of 8 hours and a minimum of 7 hours are allocated for Home Language and a minimum of 3 hours and a maximum of 4 hours for First Additional Language.
In Life Skills Beginning Knowledge is allocated 1 hour in Grades R – 2 and 2 hours as indicated by the hours in brackets for Grade 3.

1.4.2 Intermediate Phase

(a) The instructional time in the Intermediate Phase is as follows:

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<td>Social Sciences</td>
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<td>Life Skills</td>
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<td>• Creative Arts</td>
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<td>Arts and Culture</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
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1.4.4 Grades 10-12

(a) The instructional time in Grades 10-12 is as follows:

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<td>III. Mathematics</td>
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<td>IV. Life Orientation</td>
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<td>V. A minimum of any three subjects</td>
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selected from Group B Annexure B, Tables B1-B8 of the policy document, 
_National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12_, subject to the provisos stipulated in paragraph 28 of the said policy document.

The allocated time per week may be utilised only for the minimum required NCS subjects as specified above, and may not be used for any additional subjects added to the list of minimum subjects. Should a learner wish to offer additional subjects, additional time must be allocated for the offering of these subjects.
SECTION 2

2.1 What is Visual Arts?

**Visual Arts** covers a broad field of creative practice that involves the hand, the eye, the intellect and the imagination in conceptualising and creating two-dimensional and three-dimensional artworks, objects and environments which reflect the aesthetic, conceptual and expressive concerns of individuals or groups. Learners acquire the capacity to make practical and aesthetic decisions in the development of a coherent body of work.

The subject Visual Arts is about self-expression and offers learners a way to engage meaningfully with, and respond to, their world. It provides opportunities to stimulate and develop learners’ intellect, engaging their creative imagination through visual and tactile experiences and the innovative use of materials and technology in realising their ideas.

It also encourages learners to develop an individual visual language and literacy, which is informed and shaped by the study of visual culture, past and present.

2.2 Specific aims

Grade 10 – 12 Visual Arts learners aim to:

- explore, develop and realise creative ideas in response to both externally set and self-generated projects, drawing on own experience and own knowledge of visual culture in the past and present;
- explore and manipulate materials, techniques, processes and technology in the making of imaginative and innovative artworks of personal expression;
- explore materials, processes and techniques in an efficient, economical, safe and responsible way;
- manage own working process;
- observe, assess and analyse art forms, processes and products;
- communicate effectively using visual, oral and written language skills;
- critically appraise own work and that of others;
- develop entrepreneurial skills and professional practice within art to explore a variety of career options;
- be exposed to the diversity of visual arts traditions in international and Southern African contexts and use it as a resource;
• appreciate the critical role visual arts plays in the enrichment of the visual environment of the school and community;
• understand the links between visual arts and the creative industries, such as design and advertising; and
• understand the social and historical role of visual arts in transforming societies;

2.3 Time allocation for Visual Arts

Visual Arts should occupy a minimum of four teaching hours per five-day week. In addition, Visual Arts learners are expected to work outside school time.

Since the practical components of visual arts are very time-consuming, practical and theoretical aspects should be integrated wherever possible. The ratio of practical to theory teaching contact time should be 3:1.

The weighting of the assessment of the practical and theoretical components is 70%:30%.

2.4 Overview of topics and weighting

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<th>Time weighting: 4 hours per week plus time after school</th>
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<td>1 Conceptualising through the development and realisation of creative ideas</td>
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<td>10 – 12 hours per practical task per term</td>
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<td>2 Making of creative artworks, management of process and presentation,</td>
<td>40%</td>
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<td>following safe practice</td>
<td>18 – 20 hours per practical task per term plus time after school</td>
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<td>3 Visual culture studies: emphasis on visual literacy</td>
<td>30%</td>
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<td>Modular</td>
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<td>Minimum 1 hour per week throughout the year</td>
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## 2.5 Content

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<td>Broad topics 1: Conceptualising through the development and realisation of creative ideas</td>
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| 10    | **Developmental process:**  
|       | • Explore different approaches to generating ideas in response to a motivational task.  
|       | • Engage with own experience of the world through the exploration of signs and symbols drawn from the broader visual culture.  
|       | **Realisation of a concept:**  
|       | • Explore and resolve given and specific visual and conceptual challenges (e.g. compositional problems, choice of subject matter).  
|       | • Demonstrate the importance of process in relation to the development and realisation of concepts. |
| 11    | **Developmental process**  
|       | • Apply different approaches to generating ideas in response to a project brief.  
|       | • Engage with own experience of the world through the exploration and interpretation of signs and symbols drawn from the broader visual culture.  
|       | **Realisation of a concept**  
|       | • Apply the creative process to solve visual and conceptual problems through classroom assignments.  
|       | • Document the process of conceptual development. |
| 12    | **Developmental process**  
|       | • Independently apply different approaches to generating ideas in formulating a project brief.  
|       | • Critically engage with own experience of the world through the exploration, manipulation and interpretation of signs and symbols drawn from the broader visual culture.  
|       | **Realisation of a concept**  
|       | • Solve a series of visual and conceptual problems independently, working towards the development of a personal visual language.  
|       | • Document and critically evaluate the process of conceptual development. |
|       | Broad Topics 2 Making of creative artworks, management of process and presentation, following safe practice |
| 10    | **Making of artworks:**  
|       | • Explore and experiment with a range of materials, techniques, processes and equipment.  
|       | • Demonstrate basic technical skill in and knowledge of a range of materials, techniques, processes and equipment.  
|       | • Demonstrate the importance of process in relation to product.  
<p>|       | • Ensure artworks are relevant to the brief. |</p>
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<td>Explore and effectively apply a selection of materials, tools, processes and technologies.</td>
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<td>Document and evaluate own creative process and artworks, using a portfolio.</td>
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<td>Ensure artworks are relevant to the brief.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate ever-expanding use of technology in producing artworks.</td>
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<td>Maintain sketchbooks, journals, planners and a portfolio that documents own developing grasp of visual language and concepts.</td>
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<td>Plan and complete tasks within specified time, space and resource constraints.</td>
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<td>Display, exhibit or present own work in a manner that demonstrates awareness of professional conventions.</td>
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<td>Use equipment, materials and technology safely and correctly.</td>
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<td>Choose the materials, tools, techniques, themes and processes best suited to the chosen art or craft form.</td>
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<td>Demonstrate an advanced degree of technical skill in and knowledge of a range of materials, techniques, processes and equipment related to the chosen art or craft form.</td>
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<td>Document and evaluate own creative process and artworks, selecting works best suited for inclusion in the portfolio.</td>
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<td>Ensure artworks are relevant to the brief.</td>
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<td>Create and transform visual images, using both new and traditional technologies.</td>
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<td>Create a coherent body of work that provides concrete evidence of the process of</td>
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<td>Conceptualising and making:</td>
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<tr>
<td>- Plan, manage and complete particular tasks and projects within specified time, space and resource constraints.</td>
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**Presentation:**

- Display, exhibit or present own work in a manner which enhances and complements the expressive and conceptual impact of the work.

**Safe practice:**

- Demonstrate and promote the safe use of equipment, materials and technology in a group work context.

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**Broad Topics 3: Visual culture studies: emphasis on visual literacy**

| 10  |
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| **(Visual analysis and interpretation and any five of **SEVEN** prescribed themes – see Addendum C.)** |
| - Demonstrate basic writing and research skills in the study of art within historical and cultural contexts. |
| - Explain the social and historical context and the chronology of distinctive art styles. |
| - Identify and research the professional practice of local artists. |
| - Use appropriate visual arts terminology in all areas of Visual Arts. |
| - Apply skills and processes of visual analysis and critical thinking in engaging with own work and the works of others. |

| 11  |
|-----|---|
| **(At least six of **EIGHT** prescribed themes – see Addendum C.)** |
| - Demonstrate writing and research skills in the study of art within historical and cultural contexts from primary and secondary sources. |
| - Analyse works of art in relation to their cultural, social, political and historical contexts. |
| - Research and present in written form post-FET educational and career opportunities in Visual Arts. |
| - Undertake a field trip to explore career and tertiary opportunities in Visual Arts. |
| - Use appropriate visual arts terminology to describe art concepts, principles, styles, content, materials and techniques. |
| - Evaluate own work and that of others, demonstrating an understanding of the process of critical analysis and providing reasons for aesthetic judgements. |

| 12  |
|-----|---|
| **(At least six of **EIGHT** prescribed themes – see Addendum C.)** |
| - Demonstrate critical analytical writing and research skills in the study of art within historical and cultural contexts from multiple sources. |
| - Demonstrate an understanding of the historical context and stylistic evolution of a selection of fine art, applied art and craft forms. |
| - Independently research opportunities that describe the relationship between knowledge and skills acquired through Visual Arts and post-FET education. |
Undertake a field trip to explore career and tertiary opportunities in Visual Arts.
Use appropriate terminology related to all areas of art theory to describe and discuss artworks, crafts and applied art forms both verbally and in writing.
Evaluate the effectiveness of own and other’s research, creative processes and art products.

2.6 Teaching guidelines

2.6.1 Conceptualising through the development and realisation of creative ideas (See Addendum A for notes on the source book.)
- Start in Grade 10 and Grade 11 by specific briefs and exercises for learners’ source books, so that they can independently develop creative ideas by the time they reach Grade 12.
- Be creative in setting briefs for the source book and always try to surprise and excite the learners by giving them a different approach (e.g. do a mind map in class to generate ideas for a theme, play word games, document a process work through drawing or photography, do different investigations into combining mediums).
- Encourage learners to experiment in their books.
- To inspire learners, show them examples of artists’ sketchbooks and journals, and of source books by other learners.
- Give learners ample opportunity to write about their own ideas, to explain their intentions and to reflect on their work.
- It is strongly suggested that the practical should be linked to the Visual Culture Studies during the process of conceptualisation.
- Frequently assess and discuss learners’ work in their source books.

2.6.2 Making of creative artworks, management of process and presentation (See Addendum B for notes on practical work)
- It is recommended that a specialised field of focus is adopted to ensure progression and development through the different grades. Such fields include drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, multi work, photography, ceramic sculpture, installations, new media work, etc.
- Guide practical classes with daring, confidence and enthusiasm.
Taking contextual factors into account set practical briefs that challenge and interest learners.

Assist and guide learners to sustain work from the initiation to realisation into a final artwork.

Be open-minded about divergent solutions to practical projects.

Demonstrate, explain and refer to work of relevant artists when introducing specific techniques and approaches.

Integrate with Visual Culture Studies.

Continuously do informal assessments by discussing the progression of learners’ work. Try to guide learners to come up with their own solutions, rather than imposing your ideas on them.

It is strongly suggested that the practical should be linked to the Visual Culture Studies during the process of making.

Have regular “critique sessions” during which the teacher facilitates and teaches learners to talk and discuss the work of their classmates in a constructive way.

2.6.3 Visual Culture Studies: emphasis on visual literacy (See Addendum C for themes.)

The prescribed themes can be done in any logical order.

The emphasis on visual literacy makes this a dynamic and interactive subject. Learners must be guided to participate actively through questioning, discussions, debates, games and other interactive activities.

The emphasis should be on visual images to show the interaction between art and society. The showing of visual images in the form of slides, PowerPoint presentations, photocopies, DVDs etc. is essential, and learners must engage with these images in class.

Give learners opportunities to write about art, to develop their writing skills and to use art terminology. This writing need not take the form of long research essays, but can involve shorter, more frequent tasks (e.g. writing about works seen at an exhibition, a visual analysis of an unseen example or examples, learners’ own examples used to illustrate an issue or theme, worksheets, making of flash cards).
• Encourage learners to visit art exhibitions and galleries, read and collect reviews of exhibitions, read and look through art books, and do research on the Internet.
• Use visual literacy to enforce learners’ practical work.

Approach
• Learners should be exposed to all art forms, such as two-dimensional art (painting, drawing, printmaking etc.), three-dimensional art (sculpture etc.), architecture and applied arts/craft (functional objects in a fine-art context).
• Although specific artworks must be studied in depth in each theme, learners should be exposed to a wide range of examples from each theme to illustrate art as visual communication.
• Relate themes and especially the Southern African links to the learners’ community, where possible.
  a) Grade 12 learners should be able to trace the variety of influences on Southern African artists and their work.
  b) Artists representative of the diverse cultural traditions in Southern Africa should be studied.
  c) Although specific artworks must be studied in depth in each theme, Grade 12 learners should be exposed to a wide range of examples from each theme to illustrate the wider scope of the particular theme.
  d) In many instances, artists work in numerous media and styles. Grade 12 learners should be made aware of this, but should still study the required number of artists in each section without repeating the same works in another section.
  e) Relate themes and especially the Southern African links to the learners’ community, where possible.

2.7 Progression

The teaching of practical skills is cyclical rather than linear. These skills are taught throughout the year, with complexity increasing every year.
Progression in visual arts skills is found in:
• Introduction of new concepts and skills;
- Increased visual vocabulary;
- Increased use of terminology;
- Increased ability to listen well, respond to instructions and work with others;
- Increased awareness of investigation, experimentation and reflective practice;
- Increased awareness of detail and level of quality;
- Increased visual literacy and ability to recognise and interpret the complexity of art forms;
- Increased awareness and understanding of the artist’s responsibilities towards social and environmental issues and sustainability;
- Increased awareness and understanding of entrepreneurial possibilities;
- Increased confidence, self-discipline, focus and creativity;
- Moving from dependence to independence;
- Increased and deepened self-knowledge and personal identity formation; and
- Therapeutic and healing aspects (social and individual).

List of Formal Assessment Tasks:

**Grades 10 and 11**

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SECTION 4

4.1 Introduction

Assessment is a continuous planned process of identifying, gathering and interpreting information about the performance of learners, using various methods. This involves four steps:

- generating and collecting evidence of achievement;
- evaluating this evidence;
- recording the findings and
- using this information to understand and thereby assist the learner’s development in order to improve the process of learning and teaching.

Assessment involves activities that are undertaken throughout the year. In grades 10 – 12 assessment comprises two different but related activities: informal daily assessment (assessment for learning) and formal assessment (assessment of learning).

4.2 Informal or daily assessment

Assessment for learning has the purpose of continuously collecting information regarding a learner’s achievement that can be used to improve their learning.

Informal assessment is the daily monitoring of learners’ progress and can be done through questions and answers, short written activities completed during the lesson, open-book tests, homework exercises, case studies, etc. It should not be seen as separate from the learning activities taking place in the classroom. Learners or teachers can mark these assessment tasks. Self-assessment and peer assessment actively involve learners in assessment. This is important as it allows learners to learn from and reflect on their own performance.

The results of the informal assessment tasks are not formally recorded unless the teacher wishes to do so. In such instances, a simple checklist may be used to record this assessment. However, teachers may use the learners’ performance in these assessment tasks to provide verbal or written feedback to learners, the school management team and parents. This is particularly important if barriers to learning or poor levels of participation are encountered. The results of informal assessment tasks are not taken into account for promotion and certification purposes.
4.3 Formal assessment

4.3.1 Formal Assessment Requirements

All assessment tasks that make up a formal programme of assessment for the year are regarded as Formal Assessment. Formal assessment tasks are marked and formally recorded by the teacher for progression and certification purposes. All formal assessment tasks are subject to moderation for the purpose of quality assurance and to ensure that appropriate standards are maintained.

Formal assessment provides teachers with a systematic way of evaluating how well learners are progressing in a grade and in a particular subject. Examples of formal assessments include projects, oral presentations, demonstrations, performances, tests, examinations and practical tasks. Formal assessment tasks form part of a year-long formal Programme of Assessment in each grade and subject.

The forms of assessment used should be appropriate to the age and the developmental level of the learners in the grade. The assessment tasks should be carefully designed to cover the content of the subject. The design of these tasks should therefore ensure that a variety of content is assessed. Objectives, topics and content in the subject should be used to inform the planning and development of assessment tasks.

The formal assessment requirements for Visual Arts are as follows:

I. Three formal practical assessment tasks must be completed during the school year. These three formal practical assessment tasks and three theory assessment tasks make up 25% of the total mark for Visual Arts in Grades 10, 11 and 12.

II. The end-of-year assessment component includes two parts: a Practical Assessment Task and a written theory paper. Together these two parts make up the remaining 75% in all grades.

III. In Grade 10 and 11 all assessment is internal.

IV. In Grade 12 the formal assessment (25%) is internally set and marked but externally moderated. The end-of-the-year assessment (75%) is externally set, marked and moderated.
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**Term 3**
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  - 1 theory (50) + 1 practical (100) done at beginning of term

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4.3.2 Types of formal assessment for Visual Arts

**Practical projects**

In all grades each learner must do one **Practical Assessment Task** per term in terms 1, 2 and 3.

Note: The Practical Assessment Task (PAT) for a term need not be only one final work, but can be a series of related works.

A **project should require the learner to...**

- do some planning/preparation/investigation/research to solve the identified problem/task;
- perform the task/carry out instructions (according to criteria given);
- produce a product or artwork such as a painting or a sculpture; and
- allow for some innovation and creativity.

**To set the project, the teacher should...**

- determine the content/skills/knowledge to be addressed;
- set clear criteria and give good instructions to guide the learner (the learner should know exactly what to do and what is expected);
- keep the scope manageable;
- determine which resources will be required to complete the project. Ensure that learners will have access to these resources;
- determine the time frame/duration/due date; and
- determine mark distribution and compile an assessment tool.

**Tests**

- A test for formal assessment should not comprise of a series of small tests, but should cover a substantial amount of content and the duration should be 45 to 60 minutes.
- Open-book tests require learners to find information. Learners are tested on understanding of learning material and not on rewriting. Open-book tests should not include only short questions Learners are required to write longer reflective answers, such as paragraph-type responses to a given scenario. Paragraphs providing reasons and supporting evidence or arguments are essential. determine mark distribution and compile an assessment tool.
Each test, open-book test and examination must cater for a range of cognitive levels and must also include paragraph-type responses.

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**Examinations**

- For Grade 12, the three-hour end-of-year theory examination in Visual Arts (100 marks) comprises 25% of a learner’s total mark.
- Only Grade 12 content will be assessed. However, prior knowledge from Grade 10 and 11 may be necessary to interpret and answer some of the questions.
- The mark allocation for theory examination papers in all grades are indicated below:

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### Question 5
Multimedia and new media – alternative contemporary and popular art forms in South Africa

#### Between the World Wars
- 20

#### The classical world
- 20

### Question 6
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#### A survey of post-1945 art
- 20

#### Middle Ages and/or Islamic art
- 20

### Question 7
Gender issues: masculinity and femininity

#### New media
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#### Renaissance
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### Question 8
Architecture in South Africa

#### The art world
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### 4.4 Recording and reporting

**Recording** is a process in which the teacher documents the level of a learner’s performance in a specific assessment task. It indicates learner progress towards the achievement of the knowledge as prescribed in the Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statements. Records of learner performance should provide evidence of the learner’s conceptual progression within a grade and his/her readiness to progress or being promoted to the next grade. Records of learner performance should also be used to verify the progress made by teachers and learners in the teaching and learning process.

**Reporting** is the process of communicating learner performance to learners, parents, schools, and other stakeholders. Learner performance can be reported in a number of ways. These include report cards, parents’ meetings, school visitation days, parent-teacher conferences, phone calls, letters, class or school newsletters. Teachers in all grades issue formal report cards quarterly. These reports cards reflect the percentages against each subject. The following rating scale applies for the quarterly reports:
Codes and percentages for recording and reporting

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Teachers will record actual marks against the task by using a record sheet; and report percentages against the subject on the learners’ report cards.

4.5 Moderation of assessment

4.5.1 Formal assessment (SBA)

Grade 10 and 11 tasks are internally moderated. The subject advisor must moderate a sample of these tasks during school visits, to verify the standard of the internal moderation.

Grade 12 tasks must be face moderated by the provincial subject advisor. This process will be managed by the provincial education department.

4.5.2 Practical Assessment Task (PAT)

- The Grade 10 and 11 PATs will be sample moderated by the provincial officials in terms 3 and 4. All documentation must be available for the official visit. The official will select the samples.
- The Grade 12 PATs will be marked by the teacher and two peer teachers before being face moderated by a provincial official.

4.5.3 Final practical external examinations

- The Grade 12 final practical examinations will be marked at the same time as the PATs by the teacher and two peer teachers before being face moderated by a provincial official.
4.6 General

This document should be read in conjunction with:

4.6.1 *National policy pertaining to the programme and promotion requirements of the National Curriculum Statement Grades R – 12; and*

ADDENDUM A

Topic 1

Conceptualising by the development and realisation of creative ideas

The source book is the manifestation of Topic 1. This source book is NOT a formal, neat notebook, but is an expressive, personal “scrapbook” of ideas and stimuli which reflect an individual’s own style, interests and personality. It should be full, exciting and a useful source of ideas and images for use in practical assignments. Learners should put all their conceptual ideas, planning, “playing around” and exploratory work etc. in their Visual Arts source book. There should be a source book for each grade.

The source book provides insight into how the learners have formed ideas, how many alternatives they have investigated and other processes leading to the final work. The source book should clearly communicate all thought processes leading to the making of artworks.

The contents of the source book

The source book should include the following:

- Sketches and preparatory drawings. (Drawing books with specific studies should be included.)
- Images, articles, excerpts, samples, photographs, etc. collected by the learner.
- Objects (pieces of paper, packaging, tickets, etc) which the learner has found interesting, stimulating, of personal significance or which may prove useful for a practical project at some stage.
- Doodles, words, sketches, writings, related to the learner’s experiences and context.
- Research of a wide variety of artists and examples that will inform their practical work.
- Anything else which the learner may find stimulating and/or interesting and which may function as a source for his/her practical work.
- Investigation of different techniques and materials.
- Mind maps to generate ideas.
- Documentation of any process work.
Possible approaches to the source book

Grade 10

- To introduce the concept of the source book it is advisable to set specific assignments for each task.

  Example: The learners are going to paint a still-life set up in the class

- Source book assignments could include the following:
  - Small compositional sketches to find an interesting viewpoint.
  - Drawing exercises based on objects, for instance focusing on tonal values.
  - Paint-mixing exercises.
  - Putting swatches of all the colours in the painting on one page.
  - Research on a specified number of still-life paintings.
  - A questionnaire that serves as a reflective report.

Be specific on the minimum number of pages required.
Guide the learners to put ideas and reflections into words.
Encourage any additional work.

Grade 11

- Practical projects in Grade 11 are usually more theme-based and allow for more divergent ideas and approaches. Guide the learners in this process, e.g. do a mind map in class to show them how to generate ideas.

- Give clear instructions of minimum requirements and encourage additional, relevant work.

- Introduce and guide them to using your checking list for the source book. (see example of checking list).

Grade 12

- Learners should by this stage know how to use the source book. A general checklist is advised.

- The source book must give answers to the following:
  - What was selected as a subject for the artwork?
  - Why was it selected?
  - How much planning was done?
  - How did the learner prepare for the practical work?
  - What difficulties were experienced and how they were overcome?
  - What was enjoyable/exciting/positive about the practical work?
  - What was learned in the making of the artwork?
Example of a check list:

The brief must be pasted into the source book.

- A proposal/rationale of at least one page
- At least four pages of investigation and research of approaches and/or ideas, which must include source material such as drawings, photos, images, collected poems, lyrics and research on artists that have inspired you. All material must relate to the development of your work, substantiating your decisions. It is important to personalise and create original preparatory/compositional sketches and drawings based on your sources.
- At least two composition drawings/collages/assemblages.
- At least one page, in which you reflect in writing on how you have experienced, managed and completed your project.
ADDENDUM B

Topic 2

Making of creative artworks, management of process and presentation, following safe practice

General guidelines
The practical component should:

- be planned so that both within each grade and across the grades, practical work should be developmental; and should ensure a progression of skills and tasks;
- be appropriate for the resources, materials, equipment and facilities at a school;
- be supported by a learner source book;
- allow for a variety of media, techniques, disciplines and approaches; and
- relate to the learners’ own experiences and context.

Ideas for the setting of practical briefs

- Formal, skills-based and technical assignments.
- Personal, expressive and “free” assignments.
- Learners use a language-based stimulus (word, poem, extract, synonyms, definitions etc.).
- Learners respond to a current event, an issue pertinent to the learners’ personal experiences, another visual image (such as offering an alternative) etc.
- Different approaches to recording images, such as observation, analysis, expression and imagination.
- Investigating the conventions of figurative, representational and abstract imagery.
- Using the following list of subjects to set projects:
  - human figure
  - portraits
  - still life
  - landscape
  - organic and/or manufactured objects
  - imagination
  - mythology
  - decorative
  - historical

- It is important to ban direct copying from magazines, the Internet etc. Direct copying of an image that is not the learner’s own should be penalised. This is a form of plagiarism
and is unacceptable. Utmost importance is placed on the process of transformation of the source material. Learners can, however, use appropriate images from magazines and other sources and combine them with other images to create their own interpretations.

Provide learners with the appropriate **written brief** and inform learners of the following facts before commencing the work:

- The exact aim or end product expected of the task regarding medium, size etc., remembering to give scope to innovative and personal interpretations.
- Sources available for reference/research/investigations/experimentation.
- Assessment procedure followed/criteria to be used.
- Exact, non-negotiable dates for handing in work; checkpoints along the way.
- Any possible limitations and/or guidelines for the assignment.
- Appropriate media, techniques and/or approaches for the assignment.

**Options for practical work**

Drawing is a compulsory part of all practical options in Visual Arts.

Specialised options include drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, multimedia work, photography, ceramic sculpture, installations, new media work and photography.

A specialised field of focus is recommended to ensure progression and development through the different grades. Learners could however be exposed to other specialised options to broaden and enrich their creative journey, e.g. a specialised focus on painting could include other options such as an exploration of three-dimensional and new media. One should bear in mind though that the final exhibition should still represent a coherent body of work.

**Possible approaches to investigate through the grades**

- Perceptual approach
- Abstraction/simplification
- Analysis and/or synthesis
- Creative mark making
- Conceptual approach
- Expressionism
- Symbolism
Possible approaches for progression in practical work

**Grade 10**
- Introduction to specialised area.
- Start with basic skills, techniques, materials and themes.
- Step-by-step projects and process-type work.
- Investigating different approaches, such as perceptual, mark making etc. to increase learners’ vocabulary.

**Grade 11**
- Progressively increasing the complexity of practical tasks.
- More thematic projects.
- More individual experimentation to cater for individual solutions.
- Showing the learner’s ability to sustain work from an initial starting point to a realisation and including evidence of the learner’s ability to research, develop ideas.

**Grade 12**
- Open-ended briefs which allow learners to choose the materials, tools, techniques, themes and processes best suited to expressing their individual ideas.
ADDENDUM C

General approach to Visual Culture Studies

- **Visual Literacy** underpins the study of all themes; therefore the study of **specific artworks** must be used to explain the historical, political, social and/or economic background of civilisations/styles/movements and individual artists.

- In the study of artworks emphasis must be placed on:
  - Visual literacy terminology – how elements of art help to communicate meaning and message.
  - Materials and techniques.
  - Different styles, such as naturalism, expressionism, abstraction, stylisation etc.
  - Function of the work.
  - Contextual factors.
  - Ideas, meaning and message.

- Links should be made between international and South African art regarding influences and similarities in, for example, style, technique, approach, to understand art as a global visual communication.

- The learner’s community and the South African context should relate to the choice of themes and links should be made.

- Learners should be exposed to art exhibitions and galleries and make visits to heritage sites, monuments and other local places of interest.

- Learners should be exposed to popular forms of culture, e.g. advertisements, movies, videos, journalistic photographs and comics to create links with themes.

- The themes allow the possibility to teach learners thematically, e.g. the study of the human figure through the ages (Grades 10 and 11) or the study of different styles of representation (naturalism, symbolism, abstraction etc.).

- The themes in the Grade 12 subject framework can also be used in some cases in Grades 10 and 11 to give learners a greater field of reference, e.g. art, politics, gender issues.

- Question papers: use the National Grade 12 final examination paper as a guide to set your examination papers for all grades. Questions should include unseen visual images to test learners’ visual analysis skills. These images should relate to the learners’ theme of study, e.g. thematically or stylistic, as well as works/movements/civilisations that they have studied.
### Grade 10

Theme 1 is compulsory; choose at least FIVE themes from 2 – 8.

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| **1** Visual analysis and interpretation | The language of art through discussing and describing a range of artworks from different disciplines (e.g. a painting, a sculpture, a print etc.) focusing on:  
• formal elements of art – line, colour, form, shape, texture, tone  
• principles of design  
• materials and techniques  
• style  
• function of the work  
• contextual influences  
• meanings and interpretation  
(The aim is to start to equip learners to talk and write about artworks – test on unseen works.) | • Include some South African examples                                                                                                                                                     |
| **2** African art       | • Traditional African art  
• San rock art  
• Ancient cities of Great Zimbabwe, Mapungubwe                                                                                     | • The work of South African artists influenced by stylistic and thematic art forms from this theme, e.g. Sydney Kumalo, Walter Battiss, |
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<td>- Southern African crafts and functional objects e.g. beadwork, basket weaving.</td>
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<td>- Classically influenced sculptures and buildings, e.g. Parliament Building in Cape Town</td>
<td>- Contemporary local cathedrals, temples, mosques, synagogues</td>
<td>- Comparing fresco paintings with murals and graffiti art in South Africa, Faith 47, Falco etc.</td>
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Cecil Skotness, Claudette Schreuders, Deborah Bell.
| 8 | **Baroque and Rococo** | **Baroque artists from the Netherlands, Italy, Spain etc.**<br>**French Rococo** | **Thematic links, e.g. art in everyday life (Vermeer with works by Dorothy Kay, Gerard Sekoto, Tommy Motswai etc.), still-life (from Irma Stern to Andrew Putter). Appropriation of Vermeer’s images, e.g. Helmut Starcke, Johannes Phokela** |
**Grade 11**

Choose any SIX themes.

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1. **Overview of the 19th century**  
   (Excluding Impressionism and Post-impressionism)  
   A study of at least three of the following:  
   - Neo-Classicism  
   - Romanticism  
   - Realism  
   - Symbolism  
   - Thematic links to South African art, e.g. Realism linked to the expression of hardship in township art; Neo-Classicism (Jacques-Louis David) linked to the political expressions of Resistance artworks, propaganda art |

2. **Start of Modernism**  
   - Impressionism  
   - Post-Impressionism (Cézanne, Van Gogh, Gauguin)  
   - Stylistic influences of these styles on South African artists, e.g. Hugo Naude, Gerard Sekoto.  
   - Thematic links to South African art, e.g. expressing the everyday world, e.g. Ephraim Ngatane, George Pemba. |

3. **Early 20th century**  
   A study of at least three of the following:  
   - Fauvism  
   - Expressionism  
   - Cubism  
   - Stylistic influences of these styles on South African artists, e.g. Irma Stern, Pierneef.  
   - Thematic links to South African art |
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| **Architecture** | An overview from Modernism to Deconstructivism, e.g.:  
  - Frank Lloyd Wright  
  - De Stijl  
  - Bauhaus and International Style  
  - Late Modernism/High Tech  
  - Post Modernism  
  - Deconstructivism | South African examples, especially local examples |
| **Between the World Wars** | Dada  
  - Surrealism (Optional: individual artists not belonging to specific movements, e.g. Francis Bacon, Henri Moore.) | Stylistic influences of these styles on South African artists, e.g. Alexis Preller etc.  
  - The use of fantasy by rural artists |
| **A survey of post-1946 art** | A study of at least three of the following:  
  - Abstract Expressionism  
  - Pop art  
  - Op and Kinetic art  
  - Minimalism  
  - Super-Realism  
  - Neo-Expressionism | Stylistic influences of these styles on South African artists, e.g. Kevin Atkinson, Wayne Barker, Keith Dietrich. |
| **New media** | Conceptual art, including Body art, Installations, Performance art, Video and Digital art | A wide range of contemporary South African artists to choose from |
| **The art world** | The working of art exhibitions  
  - Galleries  
  - Reviews and articles  
  - The art market  
  - Study and career opportunities  
  - Influence of technology on art | Link with at least one visit to an art exhibition and the writing of a critical review on the visit  
  - The role of formal and informal art schools and art foundations in developing art in South Africa, e.g. Polly Street, Rorke’s Drift. |
**Grade 12**

Choose any SIX themes.

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| 1 The voice of emerging artists            | • Gerard Bhengu  
• Pieneef  
• Hugo Naude  
• Maggie Laubser  
• Peter Clarke  
• Gladys Mgudlandlu  
• George Pemba  
• Gerard Sekoto  
• Michel Zondi  
• Polly Street with artists such as Ephrian Ngatane, Durant Sihilali | • Art of Africa  
• Impressionism  
• Post-Impressionism  
• Expressionism  
• Other Early Modern styles |
| 2 South African artists influenced by African and/or indigenous art forms | • Irma Stern  
• Walter Battiss  
• Alexis Preller  
• Cecil Skotnes  
• Helen Sebidi  
• Sydney Kumalo  
• Eduardo Villa  
• Andries Botha  
• Walter Oltman | • San Rock art  
• African Tribal art  
• Ndebele architecture and wall decoration  
• German Expressionism  
• Cubism |
<p>| 2 Socio-political                          | • Willie Bester                                                                                   | Any specific artists and/or artworks                                                      |</p>
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| Globalisation, Urbanisation in the new South Africa | Conrad Botes  
Anton Kannemeyer  
Nontsikelelo Veleko  
Hasan and Husain Essop  
Zwelethu Mthetwa  
Claudette Schreuders  
Brett Murray  
Wim Botha  
Mustafa Maluka  
Johannes Phokela  
Marlene Dumas  
Also popular art forms, e.g. Bitterkomix |
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| Gender Issues: Masculinity and Femininity | Jane Alexander  
Penelope Siopis  
Faiza Galdhari  
Langa Magwa  
Lisa Brice  
Nandipho Mntambo  
Mary Sibande  
Pierre Fouche  
Nicholos Hlobo |
| 6 Architecture in South Africa | Outstanding local examples of architecture. Consider:  
- Commemorative buildings and monuments (e.g. Voortrekker Monument 1948 – Afrikaner Nationalism).  
| | Trends in world architecture e.g.  
- International style  
- High Tech  
- Postmodernism  
- Deconstructivism |
GLOSSARY

Visual literacy: The first level of visual literacy is simple **knowledge**: basic identification of the subject or elements in a work of art. But while accurate information is important, **understanding** what we see and **comprehending** visual relationships are at least as important. These higher level visual literacy skills require critical thinking.

Formal analysis: A detailed and logical discussion of the formal elements such as line, colour, composition etc. in an artwork.

Visual analysis: It is a formal analysis but also include style, technique, contextual influences, meaning and interpretation.

The following are some of the key concepts that learners must understand and be able to identify and explain in artworks at the end of Grade 10:

Formal elements of art include the following:

- Line (different qualities of lines, contour lines etc.)
- Shape and form (positive and negative shapes, organic and inorganic)
- Tonal values (chiaroscuro)
- Texture (implied and tactile texture)
- Colour (colour theory, e.g. primary, secondary, complementary, tertiary, monochromatic, cool and warm colours and their influence in an artwork)
- Space (line and aerial perspective)
- Pattern
- Principles of design (such as unity, rhythm, movement, proportion, emphasis, contrasts)
- Composition and focal point
- Different media of artworks (oil painting, marble sculpture, etching etc.)
- Techniques (e.g. blended areas or definite brushwork in a painting; carving or modelling in sculpture)
- Styles such as naturalism, expressionism, stylisation, symbolism, abstract
- Frontality, distortion, simplification
- Western art, non-western art, indigenous or native art

The following are some of the key concepts that learners must understand and be able to identify and explain in art works at the end of this grade:

- All the concepts listed with Grade 10.
• Terms from the study of the Grade 11 content, such as functionalism, modernism, formalism, action painting, collage, assemblage, mixed media, installations, ready-mades.

The following are some of the key concepts that learners must understand and be able to identify and explain in art works at the end of this grade:
1. All the concepts listed with Grade 10 and Grade 11.
2. Terms from the study of the Grade 12 content, such as resistance art, propaganda art, appropriation and the “neglected tradition”.
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