

**GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
DIRECTORATE: EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT**

**EXAMINATION INSTRUCTION
No. 11 of 2011**

DATE : 14 February 2011

TOPIC : National Senior Certificate Preparatory Examination

TO : ALL DIVISIONAL MANAGERS AND SENIOR MANAGERS
AT HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICT OFFICES
: PRINCIPALS AND STAFF OF ALL ORDINARY
SECONDARY SCHOOLS
: SCHOOLS FOR LEARNERS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL
NEEDS
: MEMBERS OF SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES
: TEACHER ORGANISATIONS AND UNIONS
: RELEVANT NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANISATIONS

ENCLOSURES : ANNEXURE A: NSC PREPARATORY EXAMINATION
TIMETABLE 2011

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MEMORANDUM

**TO : ALL DIVISIONAL MANAGERS AND SENIOR MANAGERS AT HEAD OFFICE AND DISTRICT OFFICES
: PRINCIPALS AND STAFF OF ALL ORDINARY SECONDARY SCHOOLS
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FROM : PREM GOVENDER

DATE : 14 FEBRUARY 2011

SUBJECT : NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE PREPARATORY EXAMINATION 2011

The attached Examination Instruction serves to inform heads of institutions and district offices on the Preparatory Examination 2011.

Based on the agreement with District Directors in 2010, that the Preparatory Examination will not be longer than three weeks, the Department will set papers for the subjects that are reflected on the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable. These papers will be printed and distributed to all schools that have learners, as is done for the October/November National Senior Certificate.

The NSC Preparatory Examinations set by the GDE will start on the 7th of September and end on the 27th of September 2011. Schools must start their examinations on the 7th of September 2011 and complete their Examinations by the end of the term.

All schools must provide feedback from the Preparatory Examinations to their learners in the new term.

All schools must write Preparatory Examinations. Schools have the following options:

EITHER

- GDE-set Preparatory Examinations. These papers will cover 100% of the Curriculum.

OR

- Set own Preparatory Examinations (on condition that a 70% pass rate was attained in 2010). Papers for the subjects not mentioned in the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable must be set by schools according to the conditions that follow below.

The conditions for the setting of the NSC Preparatory Examination papers are:

- The paper must cover at least 80% of the year's curriculum per subject.
- The paper(s) must replicate the final paper(s) in length of time, standard, mark allocation and format.
- An educator from a neighbouring school specialising in the subject must moderate the paper. The moderator must use Annexure F (Circular 6 2009) to record his/her comments on the standard of the paper.
- The District Director must approve the NSC Preparatory Examination timetable and the nominated moderators by 30 April 2011. Annexure H (Circular 6 2009) must be used for this purpose.

Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated

Regards

PREM GOVENDER
DIRECTOR: EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENT

**GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
NSC PREPARATORY EXAMINATION SEPTEMBER
2011**

WEDNESDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Mathematics P1	3hrs	1
09:00 - 12:00	Mathematical Literacy P1	3hrs	1

THURSDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 11:00	Afrikaans First Additional Language P1	2hrs	3
09:00 - 11:00	English First Additional Language P1	2hrs	3
14:00 - 16:00	isiZulu Home Additional Language P1	2hrs	4
14:00 - 16:00	Setswana Home Additional Language P1	2hrs	4

FRIDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 11:30	Afrikaans First Additional Language P3	2hrs½	5
09:00 - 11:30	English First Additional Language P3	2hrs½	5
14:00 - 16:00	isiZulu Home Additional Language P3	2hrs½	6
14:00 - 16:00	Setswana Home Additional Language P3	2hrs½	6

MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2011 WEEK 1

09:00 - 12:00	Mathematics P2	3hrs	7
09:00 - 12:00	Mathematical Literacy P2	3hrs	7

TUESDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Accounting	3hrs	9
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WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 11:00	Afrikaans First Additional Language P2	2hrs	11
09:00 - 11:00	English First Additional Language P2	2hrs	11

THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 11:00	isiZulu Home Additional Language P2	2hrs	13
09:00 - 11:00	Setswana Home Additional Language P2	2hrs	13

FRIDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 11:30	Life Sciences P1	2½hrs	15
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MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2011 WEEK 2

09:00 - 11:30	Life Sciences P2	2½hrs	17
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TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Economics	3hrs	19
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WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Geography (Theory) P1	3hrs	21
14:00 - 15:30	Geography (Mapwork) P2	1½hrs	22

THURSDAY 22 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Tourism	3hrs	23
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FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Physical Science (Physics) P1	3hrs	25
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MONDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2011 WEEK 3

09:00 - 12:00	Physical Science (Chemistry) P2	3hrs	27
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TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2011

09:00 - 12:00	Business Studies	3hrs	29
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