EXPLANATORY NOTES

CANDIDATE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ITC
IN TERMS OF NUMBER OF YEARS AND PERFORMANCE
(EFFECTIVE 2013)

Terms shall bear the same meaning as defined in the ITC Qualifying Examination Regulations, as amended, and in the case of a conflict with the ITC Qualifying Examination Regulations, the ITC Qualifying Examination Regulations will take precedence.
Eligibility

Time constraint

A candidate is eligible to attempt (sit for) the ITC for a period of three consecutive years. This starts the year after the date on which the SAICA accredited post-graduate qualification was attained by the candidate (for even if the supplementary exam result was received in 2020, the qualification was still received for 2019).

There are two ITC examination opportunities per year, namely in January and June of each year. The dates for these examinations are set by SAICA and are published in advance on the SAICA website.

Candidates should note that the exam regulation with regard to eligibility is based on time and not on the number of attempts at the examination. In effect, this means that any candidate receives six consecutive ITC examination opportunities (attempts).

The following are examples of candidates who will not receive additional time/attempts because of the consecutive nature of the regulation:

- A candidate who received a supplementary exam opportunity from his/her accredited institution to enable him/her to obtain a SAICA accredited post-graduate qualification, and whose the result was only released after the registration closing date of the first examination opportunity;
- A candidate who opted not to use one of the opportunities to attempt the ITC (thus not to write and thereby forfeited an attempt opportunity);
- A candidate who could not use one of the ITC examination opportunities within his/her three-year time period because of unforeseen circumstances, regardless of the nature of the circumstances.

The following illustrates this eligibility requirement for a case where a candidate obtained his/her eligible qualification in 2019:

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Performance constraint

A candidate who obtains an overall average mark of less than 25% in any two attempts to write the ITC will in future no longer be eligible to attempt any remaining examination opportunities. To be eligible to attempt the ITC again, the candidate will again have to successfully complete a SAICA accredited post-graduate qualification.