

Registration of Professional Engineering Technologists at ECSA – Types of correspondence received



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Introduction

Today we are discussing the various types of correspondence you can receive from the Engineering Council of South Africa after interviews.

- Supply of information that is lacking before process can proceed.
- Invitation to Experience Interview.
- Deferred after Experience Interview.
- Abeyance correspondence after Experience appraisal/interview.
- Deferred after Professional Review (Interview).
- Acceptance correspondence after Professional Review.



Correspondence – supply before process can proceed

This correspondence is requesting further information due to not being supplied by the applicant.

Information required is when the application is not:

- Incorrect forms are used
- Incomplete application
- Application not signed by Commissioner of Oaths where required
- Referees outstanding
- Incorrect format used – Applicant changes the format.



Correspondence – supply before process can proceed (Cont.)

- Foreign qualification not assessed by ECSA Council.
- Incorrect or non payment of the application fees

Content of correspondence:

- The required information to be supplied
- Time frame for this information to be supplied
- To whom the information is to be sent to

What is the consequence if you ignore the request?

Your application can be cancelled and you can forfeit you application fees.



Correspondence - Invitation to Experience Interview

This correspondence will only be sent:

- Information that is incomplete or lacking for an outcome after the applicant has been assessed by four qualified assessors.

Content of correspondence

- Outcomes to be interviewed upon.
- Date and time of interview.

Preparation of Interview

- Prepare for those identified outcomes only.



Correspondence - Deferred after Experience Interview

The applicant can be deferred to proceed to the Professional Review (Interview)

The correspondence states the following:

- Reason for deferment
- Outcomes not achieved

Meaning of deferment

- You have to reapply for registration



Correspondence - Abeyance

Abeyance correspondence can only be given in two instances.

- After the assessors have assessed the documented evidence.
- After the Experience Interview

Contents of correspondence for both situations.

- The period for abeyance
- The outcomes that require the necessary experience

Abeyance can be extended if valid reasons are submitted.



Correspondence - Deferred after Peer Review (Interview)

Deferred after Peer Review means you have not indicated your competency in certain of the eleven outcomes.

Correspondence states the following:

- Reason for the deferment
- Outcomes you have not indicated competency
- Choice of having a Advisory Interview or appealing against the decision of deferment.

What does deferment mean

You need to reapply for registration.



Correspondence - Acceptance

The last type of correspondence is where you receive correspondence stating you have been accepted and are registered as a Professional.

Correspondence contains

- Informing you have been accepted as a Professional at ECSA
- Your registration number
- Attached copy of the Engineering Profession Act, 2000 (Act 46 of 2000)
- Attached copy of ECSA Code of Conduct.



Summary

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Today we have briefly discussed the various types of correspondence you could receive during the process of registration as a Professional at ECSA.



Acknowledgement

The presentation is based on the Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) Documents:

- R-03-PRO Processing of Application for Registration of Candidates and Professionals



The End

- *Thank you*
- *Any Questions??*