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#### ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 05 OF2018

**TO: CHIEF DIRECTORS  
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**RE: OFFERING MATHEMATICS AS COMPUSORY SUBJECT WITH ACCOUNTING  
AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES**

1. In December 2015 the National Circular S15 on policy amendments was distributed. On page 2, 3.2 of the attached circular the following amendment: *“The compulsory offering of Mathematics with Accounting and Physical Sciences”*
2. In March 2016 National Circular S1 of 2016 was released to clarify the implementation dates following Circular S15 of 2015. On P2 2.2 the implementation dates have been indicated for the offering Mathematics as a compulsory subject with either Accounting or Physical Sciences as one of the major subjects. Gr. 10 2017, Gr. 11 2018 and Gr. 12 2019.
3. The implications of the date in point 2 is that all Gr. 12 learners who offered Physical Sciences and and/or Accounting **MUST** offer Mathematics to be certified.
4. In November 2017 National Circular S13 of 2017 was issues. *“Repeal of the proviso restricting Accounting to Learners offering Mathematics only”*
5. The compulsory offering of Mathematics with Accounting has been repealed. The **2018 Gr. 10** learners may therefore offer Mathematical Literacy and Accounting but to offer Physical Sciences, Mathematics must be offered by the 2018 Gr. 11 and 2019 and onwards Gr. 12 learners.
6. The 2018 Gr. 11 learners and 2019 Gr. 12 learners **MUST COMPLY** with Circular S15 of 2015 and must offer Mathematics if the offer Physical Sciences and/or Accounting.
7. 2018 Gr. 11 and 2019 Gr. 12: Must offer Mathematics if Physical Sciences and/or Accounting is offered.
8. 2018 Gr. 10, 2019 Gr. 11 and 2020 Gr. 12 **MUST** offer Mathematics if Physical Sciences is offered but Mathematics is not compulsory if Accounting is offered.
9. See the attached National Circular: S15 of 2015, S1 of 2016 and S13 of 2017.

  
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