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Establishment of the National Qualifications Framework for Trinidad and Tobago (NQF-TT)

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The Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT) and the National Training Agency (NTA) are pleased to announce **the establishment of the National Qualifications Framework for Trinidad and Tobago (NQF-TT)**. The NQF-TT is critical for the development of a seamless education and training system. It is a ten-level classification of all academic and technical/vocational qualifications, on the basis of what graduates at each level are expected to know and be able to do as a result of learning.

ACTT and the NTA would like to thank all stakeholders who contributed to the development of this Framework. The NQF-TT is aligned to the CARICOM Qualifications Framework (CQF), which was approved by the Council for Human and Social Development (COHSOD) in 2017; together, they will enable students, education and training providers, employers and the public to better understand and compare qualifications awarded at different levels in Trinidad and Tobago and across the region. The establishment of the NQF-TT is also a step towards securing wider international acceptance of qualifications awarded in Trinidad and Tobago.

The NQF-TT will:

- make qualifications more transparent and easily understood
- ensure greater articulation between programmes offered by institutions and training providers
- assist in determining the equivalence between qualifications, both local and foreign
- ensure seamless movement through the education and training sector in Trinidad and Tobago
- facilitate the mobility of skills throughout the region

Persons wishing to obtain further information on the NQF-TT may visit ACTT's website at <https://www.actt.org.tt/nqf-tt> or the NTA's website at <https://www.ntatt.org/nqf>.

LEVELS	NQF-TT	QUALIFICATIONS EXAMPLES
10	Doctoral	PhD in Agricultural Economics
9	Master's	MSc in Sociology
8	Postgraduate Diploma and Certificate	Postgraduate Certificate in Education
7	Bachelor's Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc in Psychology • CVQ Level 5 Property Development – Construction Project Management
6	Associate Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AASc in Medical Laboratory Technology • National Engineering Technician's Diploma (NETD) in Electrical Engineering • Technician's Certificate in Mechanical Engineering
5	Diploma	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NSDP Journeyman – Electrical/Electronics Technology • CVQ Level 4 Training and Assessment • Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE)
4	Advanced Certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CVQ Level 3 in Refrigeration and Air Conditioning • National Examination Council (NEC) Craftsman Certificate • Caribbean Secondary Education Certificate (CSEC)
3	Certificate III	• CVQ Level 2 in Cosmetology
2	Certificate II	• CVQ Level 1 in Masonry
1	Certificate I	