

Ministry of Education, Arts and Culture

CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARTER

Department: Formal Education **Directorate:** Programmes & Quality Assurance (PQA)

The Directorate is responsible for assuring the quality implementation of formal education programmes, policies and regulatory framework.

THIS CHARTER

- Outlines the services we provide (What we do)
- Defines who are our Customers
- Reflects our commitments
- Sets standard of services that you can expect from us at all times
- State what we will do if you contact us
- States that your views count
- Explains how to provide us with feedback and how to make a complaint, if you are not satisfied with our service

WHAT WE DO

- Develop programmes, policies and regulatory framework
- Conduct trainings on the implementation of programmes, policies and regulatory frameworks
- Conduct school inspections and provide support in the delivery of quality teaching and learning
- conduct capacity building programs in the regions
- create awareness on programmes, policies and regulatory framework
- monitor and evaluate the implementation of programmes, policies and framework
- Review programmes, policies and regulatory framework

OUR CUSTOMERS

- Learners
- Staff members
- General public

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

- Our commitment to our customers is the provision of effective and efficient quality services.
- We strive to execute our duties within the following guiding VALUES

VALUES

- Integrity We will demonstrate adherence to ethical principles while carrying out professional duties.
 Perform duties with integrity. Ensuring systems and procedures are rules compliant.
- Accountability We shall be accountable for carrying out responsibilities efficiently, timely and with integrity.
- **Professionalism** We shall exercise high levels of professionalism. Sharing knowledge of best practices with colleagues at all levels, and enhancing the quality of service by being responsive.
- **Commitment** We shall be committed to the Ministry's objectives of providing accessible, equitable and quality education for all.
- **Respect & Empathy** We shall treat all stakeholders with dignity and politeness at all times. Embracing cultural diversity and tolerance.
- **Transparency** We shall carry out our activities in an open and most acceptable manner that bears scrutiny to the stakeholders we serve.
- **Teamwork** We shall exercise teamwork as the modus operandi for achieving strategic objectives. Ensuring Team building.

OUR SERVICE PROMISE/STANDARDS

We will:

- develop policies and regulatory framework as needs arises;
- develop at least one programme per quarter;
- conduct trainers of trainees (tots) trainings on the implementation of programmes, policies and regulatory frameworks within two month from the date of inception of a new development;
- conduct general public trainings on interpretations policies and regulatory frameworks at least two months from the date of approval;
- conduct inspections and provide support to identified schools in the delivery of quality teaching and learning at least twice a year;
- analyze all schools performance annually;
- conduct annual capacity-building programs in the regions and as the need arises;
- create awareness on programmes, policies and regulatory framework twice a year before and after new development, and as the need arises;
- monitor and evaluate the implementation of programmes, policies and framework at least once a year;
- review programmes, policies and regulatory framework after five years upon implementation;

WHEN YOU CONTACT US

If you phone us

- We will answer to your call within 3 rings.

 We will return your call within 3 days if your
- We will return your call within 2 days if we can't provide an answer immediately.

If you write to us

- We will acknowledge receipt within 2 working days, provide you with an explanation of how we are handling your case and inform you when to expect an answer.
- We will respond to your correspondences received within one (1) week after receipt.

If you visit us

- We will attend to you within 5 Minutes if you have an appointment with us.
- We will respond to your questions while you are with us, if we cannot we will let you know why, and when you can expect an answer.
- If you need referral, we will do it on your behalf by phone or by email and copy it to you, and provide you with the name of the person to contact, address and contact details.

YOUR VIEWS COUNT

- We continuously strive to improve our standards. To do this, we need to know what kind of service you want.
- We promise to consider your views when setting our service standards.
- Inform us if you are not satisfied and are unhappy with our service delivery; and
- Give us your comments so that we can improve our service.

WHAT WE ASK OF YOU

The quality of service we can provide to you depends on various issues including input and co-operation we receive. We therefore request you to:

- Be honest, polite and patient.
- Be timely in providing required and accurate information to the Directorate.
- Comply with existing Legislations, Regulations and Procedures, and
- Treat our staff members with the necessary respect.

When you communicate with us, please provide the following information:

- Your full name
- Postal address/ email address/ telephone number/fax number
- Provide a clear description of your particular concern/s or need/s
- Keep a record of the issue at stake and the person in our Directorate whom you dealt with as well as the date and the time of the communication to improve our services.

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