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**HESSEQUA**

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Nuusbrief / Newsletter

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Message from the Mayor / Boodskap vanaf die Burgemeester

Geagte Inwoners / Dear Residents

'n Geseënde Paasseisoen word u van harte toegewens.

Paasfees bring 'n boodskap van hoop, hernuwing en 'n nuwe begin. Dit is 'n tyd van vreugde en samehorigheid, 'n geleentheid om saam met familie en vriende te kuier en die seëninge in ons lewens te waardeer. Mag hierdie tyd vir u en u geliefdes gevul wees met vrede en blydskap.

Te midde van ons daaglikse verantwoordelikhede is dit belangrik om 'n oomblik stil te staan en te besin oor die ware betekenis van Paasfees – 'n tyd van liefde, vergifnis en genade. Laat ons hierdie waardes uitleef en mekaar met respek en deernis behandel.

Aan ons besoekers in die Hessequa-streek, ons verwelkom u hartlik en hoop dat u die natuurskoon en gasvryheid van ons streek sal geniet.

Bly op hoogte van die jongste nuus en gebeure in Hessequa deur ons verskeie media-platforms te besoek.

Romeine 15:13 – Mag God, die bron van hoop, julle deur julle geloof met alle vreugde en vrede vervul, sodat julle hoop al hoe sterker kan word deur die krag van die Heilige Gees.

Groete / Kind regards,

GRANT RIDDLES

**Uitvoerende Burgemeester
Executive Mayor**



On March 11, 2025, we had the privilege of honouring our firefighters, together with Kishugu Structural Firefighting, for their selfless service during the devastating Jongensfontein fire in December 2024.

Structural firefighters from both Kishugu and Hessequa played a crucial role in the early stages of the response, ensuring the protection of the community and natural resources.

These brave men and women acted without hesitation to protect lives and property, and we are infinitely grateful for their dedication and sacrifice. Their courage and endurance are an inspiration to us all. Hessequa Municipality is proud to be a long-term partner of Kishugu Structural Firefighting.



Hessequa Municipality By-laws



Hessequa Munisipaliteit Verordeninge

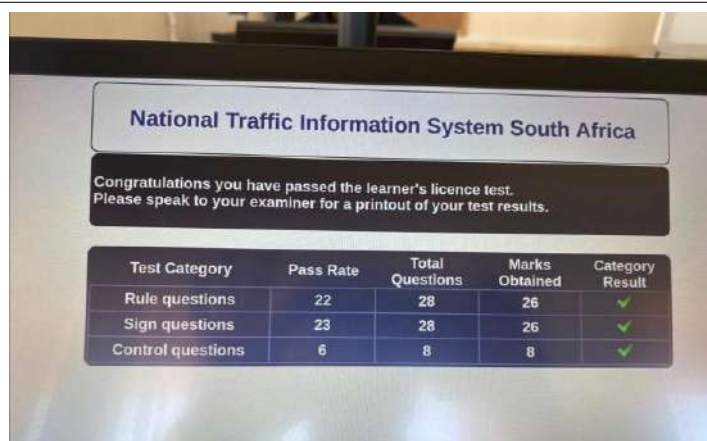
Ons herinner u graag daaraan dat die Munisipale Verordeninge op die Munisipale webtuiste beskikbaar is by <http://www.hessequa.gov.za/by-laws/>

We would like to remind you that the Municipal By-laws are available on the Municipal website at the following link below:

<https://www.hessequa.gov.za/by-laws/>

LET'S FIX IT

Please report all water, electrical, roads, stormwater, refuse removal and area cleaning issues to the municipality at:
071 598 3175 (WhatsApp) 028 713 8000 (office hours) 028 713 7917 (after hours) 028 713 2222 (emergencies)
klagtes@hessequa.gov.za (e-mail) info@hessequa.gov.za (e-mail)



COMPUTERISED LEARNERS LICENSE TEST

Hessequa Municipality is excited to announce that the Computerised Learners License Test (CLLT) has now been installed at the Riversdale and Heidelberg Traffic Offices. The CLLT is an initiative of the Road Traffic Management Corporation to digitalise learner's license tests.

What does the CLLT entail?

As mentioned, it is a computerised programme on which applicants take the learner's license test on a tablet (no papers and pencils). The application procedure remains the same and the necessary documents are still required.

How does it work?

Applicants arrive on the day of the appointment as normal, with the required documents. Tablets are installed at the respective offices and applicants therefore do not need to provide their own devices.

How does this affect the applicant?

This has no effect on the applicant, the same pass requirements that were applicable still apply, namely: Rules - 22/28, Signs - 23/28, Control - 6/8. Applicants no longer need to wait for the answer sheet / test to be marked as it is automatically evaluated by the application. Therefore, the results will immediately be available as soon as the applicant has finished writing and will automatically be transferred to NATIS.

What documents are required to make an appointment?

ID / valid passport, fully completed application form, proof of address not older than 3 months, R 68.00 and an additional R 33.00 if the applicant passes.

In which languages are the tests written?

The test is offered in all 11 official national languages and the applicant can therefore choose the language of his choice.

What learning materials are applicable?

Applicants are encouraged to visit the www.enatis.gov.za website to download and use the manuals in preparation, but existing learning materials can also still be used.

What questions are asked?

The applicant will have to complete a test of 64 questions from a question bank of 1200 questions. The questions are selected by the system and the applicant has 60 minutes to answer questions that test the applicant's knowledge of traffic rules, signs and controls.

E-Recruitment

Hessequa Municipality introduced an E-recruitment system during August 2022, to make it easier and faster for applicants to apply for vacancies.

Applying for a job has never been easier!

By creating a profile on the website, candidates can apply for vacancies without having to complete an application form each time they apply, as well as make and submit copies of their qualifications and Curriculum Vitae (CV). Should a candidate register and create a profile on the E-recruitment platform, the CV and qualifications will be uploaded electronically. The information is stored on the system and can be updated at any time.

Apply for positions at the push of a button!

All vacancies can be viewed on the website and candidates can apply for positions at the push of a button. Applicants can register and create a profile on computers, tablets and mobile phones by visiting the Hessequa Municipality website (www.hessequa.gov.za) and following the instructions. Trained persons are available at E-Centres, Libraries and the Human Resource Management offices to assist applicants with the process.

DUE DATE FOR PAYMENTS

The **due date** for payment of municipal service and property rates accounts has **changed from the 20th to the 7th**, monthly. The implementation of the change is anticipated to **take effect in May 2025** due to the alignment of internal processes.

PENALTIES

Payments for accounts must be received on or before the due date at a Municipal pay-point by the close of business. In the case of any electronic payments or payments via agents, the money should be paid at least four (4) working days before the due date to enable the funds to be received in the municipal bank account on or before the due date and not later than close of business. Failure to do so will result in penalties being levied at the prime lending rate plus 1%.

REMINDER: IDP & BUDGET MEETINGS



MONDAY, 07 APRIL 2025

18:30 – Heidelberg:
Duivenhoks Community Hall

TUESDAY, 08 APRIL 2025

15:00 – Stilbaai & Jongsfontein:
Stilbaai Community Hall

18:30 – Melkhoutfontein:
Melkhoutfontein Community Hall

WEDNESDAY, 09 APRIL 2025

15:00 – Gouritsmond:
Gouritsmond Community Hall

18:30 – Albertinia:
Theronsville Community Hall

THURSDAY, 10 APRIL 2025

15:00 – Witsand:
Witsand Community Hall

18:30 – Slangrivier:
Slangrivier Community Hall

MONDAY, 14 APRIL 2025

18:30 – Riversdale:
Riversdale Thusong Centre

TUESDAY, 15 APRIL 2025

18:30 – Kwanokuthula:
Anna Lupini Hall



INCORRECT REFERENCING FEE

A new fee for incorrect referencing to deposits / payments into the municipal bank account will be **implemented as of 1 July 2025**.

This fee will serve as a penalty to encourage residents to ensure that they use the correct reference to allocate deposits / payments accurately and timeously.

The fee will be R120.00 (incl. VAT) per incident, per account.

Account holders must use their municipal account number as reference as reflected on the invoice when paying via any banking platform.