■ HOW DO I REGISTER TO WRITE?

You need to register on the internet:

1. Access the NBT website: www.nbt.ac.za, click on "Book a Test" and then follow the prompts. You can also register via the internet on your cell phone.

2. A letter confirming your registration and containing an EasyPay barcode will be available for you to download and print after you click on "submit". You must take your registration letter to an EasyPay Paypoint to pay the testing fees.

You may also pay on the EasyPay website: www.easypay.co.za. It is not necessary to bring these to the test site, but you should print out and keep copies. Results are released only for paid tests.

Registration is date and site specific. If you miss your scheduled writing session, or wish to write a second time, you must register and pay again.

■ WHAT DOES IT COST TO WRITE?

The fees for the 2019 Admission cycle are:

- ☐ **AQL only – R90**
- ☐ **AQL and MAT - R180**

■ TEST RESULTS

Login to your NBT account approximately four weeks after writing to access your results. You will only be able to access them if you have paid for any tests for which you were registered.

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◼ WHAT ARE THE NATIONAL BENCHMARK TESTS?

The National Benchmark Tests (NBT) measure your academic readiness for University.

◼ WHY DO I HAVE TO WRITE THE TESTS?

The NBTs are used by many universities in the country. They help higher education institutions to interpret school leaving results such as those of the National Senior Certificate (NSC). The test results support, but don't replace or duplicate, NSC results.

Some South African higher education institutions use the NBTs for admission and others use them to determine whether you will need extra academic support during your studies. They also assist with the development of curricula. Find out from the institution you are applying to whether you are required to write the tests.

◼ WHICH TESTS MUST I WRITE?

The faculty where you apply will determine which test/s you must write and the deadlines for receiving your results.

◼ WHERE CAN I WRITE THE TESTS?

A complete schedule with all the test locations is on the NBT website (www.nbt.ac.za). If there are no tests near to where you live, send an e-mail to nbt@uct.ac.za, or phone us on 021 650 3523 and we will try to schedule a special site for your test.

◼ WHAT CAN I EXPECT FROM THE TESTS?

☐ There are two tests: Academic Literacy, Quantitative Literacy (which are combined: AQL), and Mathematics (MAT). For more information about what the tests focus on, go to our web site: www.nbt.ac.za.

☐ The QL test is closely related to the intended outcomes of the NSC subject, Mathematical Literacy.

☐ Students with disabilities are accommodated. The AQL test has also been translated into Braille.

☐ Each test requires you to apply prior learning - what you know and are able to do - to materials that reflect expectations for first year students in university programmes.

☐ The tests are confidential, so there are no past papers and no special study materials to prepare for the tests.

◼ WHEN SHOULD I WRITE?

You should write when you feel ready, but make sure that you write in time to meet all deadlines and requirements for the programme(s) to which you are applying. You must write both tests on the same day. You are allowed to write the NBT a second time, but you will need to confirm with your faculty first that a second score will be accepted.

◼ WHEN CAN I WRITE?

Registration for all NBT sessions opens 1 April 2018.

NBT TEST DATES	LAST DAY TO REGISTER ONLINE	LAST DAY TO PAY FEES	RESULTS AVAILABLE TO INSTITUTIONS	RESULTS AVAILABLE TO WRITERS
26-May	06-May	13-May	18-Jun	25-Jun
2-Jun	13-May	20-May	25-Jun	02-Jul
*03 June	13-May	20-May	25-Jun	02-Jul
23-Jun	03-Jun	10-Jun	16-Jul	23-Jul
*24-Jun	03-Jun	10-Jun	16-Jul	23-Jul
**29 June	10-Jun	17-Jun	23-Jul	30-Jul
30-Jun	10-Jun	17-Jun	23-Jul	30-Jul
7-Jul	17-Jun	24-Jun	30-Jul	06-Aug
14-Jul	24-Jun	01-Jul	06-Aug	13-Aug
*15-Jul	24-Jun	01-Jul	06-Aug	13-Aug
28-Jul	08-Jul	15-Jul	20-Aug	27-Aug
**10 Aug	22-Jul	29-Jul	03-Sep	10-Sep
11-Aug	22-Jul	29-Jul	03-Sep	10-Sep
25-Aug	05-Aug	12-Aug	17-Sep	24-Sep
8-Sep	19-Aug	26-Aug	01-Oct	08-Oct
15-Sep	26-Aug	02-Sep	08-Oct	15-Oct
29-Sep	09-Sep	16-Sep	22-Oct	29-Oct
6-Oct	16-Sep	23-Sep	29-Oct	05-Nov
*07 Oct	16-Sep	23-Sep	29-Oct	05-Nov
13-Oct	30-Sep	30-Sep	05-Nov	12-Nov
24-Nov	04-Nov	11-Nov	17-Dec	17-Dec
1-Dec	11-Nov	18-Nov	18-Dec	18-Dec
*02-Dec	11-Nov	18-Nov	18-Dec	18-Dec
**4-Jan-19	16-Dec	16-Dec	28-Jan-19	4-Feb-19
5-Jan-19	16-Dec	16-Dec	28-Jan-19	4-Feb-19

* Sunday test session
** Friday test session