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How to achieve Black Economic Empowerment (BEE) Certification

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For any business or NPO that wants to be considered for government contracts or tenders, it is important to have the required knowledge and skills for the project and also to certify that your organisation is playing its part in transforming our country's economic activities, by actively promoting "Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment" of historically disadvantages South Africans. This Guide tells you what is required, and how to achieve BEE Certification.

1. Why BEE certification?

Looking for BEE certification for your business? BEE is totally optional for any business in South Africa, but it is in the interest of most businesses to include BEE in their strategy, whether you require BEE certification for tenders, customers, legal or social reasons. If your turnover is less than R5m then it is much easier to obtain a certificate because your business is exempt from a detailed rating audit. If your business has a turnover of R5m or more, then you can still apply and an Accredited Rating Agent will guide you through the rating process.

2. Sectoral BEE Charters

The Department of Trade and Industry's Strategy for achieving Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment includes specific Frameworks and Charters which have been negotiated with various business and professional sectors, to fit in with their specific needs and structures. These Sectoral BEE Charters include

- Adv ertising
- Agriculture
- Building & Construction
- Financial
- Forestry
- Forwarding & Clearing
- Gambling & Gaming
- Healthcare
- Information & Communication Technology (ICT)
- Liquor
- Legal
- Maritime Transport & Service Industry
- Mining
- Petroleum & Liquid Fuels
- Prof essions
- Tourism
- Transport

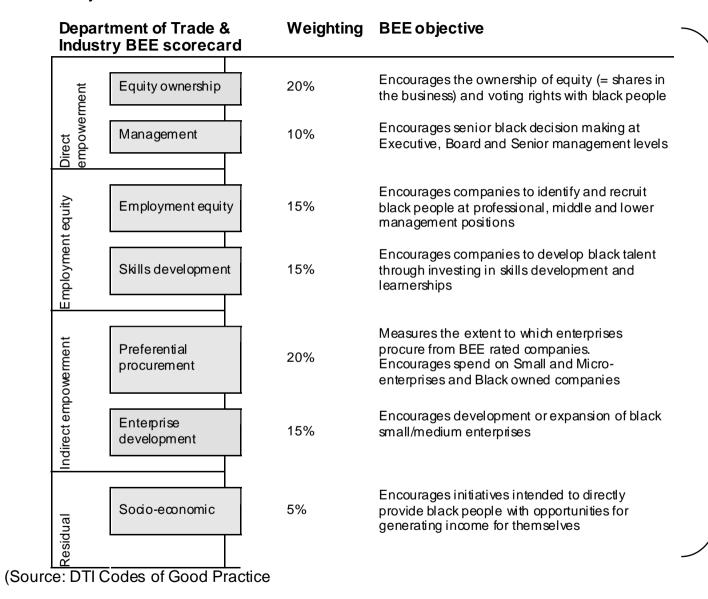
(If your business operates in one of these Sectors, contact your industry organisation for up-to-date information.)

For more information about BEE Accreditation

If you need more information about how to achieve your BEE Accreditation, contact either:

- The Regional Office of the Department of Trade & Industry (DTI) in the blue pages of your local telephone directory.
- The local Chamber of Commerce (... and consider joining, to help promote BEE in your areal)
- They will be able to put you in touch with local Accredited BEE Rating Agents, who will assess your current BEE scorecard and provide you with a certificate of your status.

A summary of the Generic BBBEE Scorecard



- Performance against this BEE Scorecard is assessed on an annual basis
- Accredited Rating Agents will perform the rating