

CONTRACT NOTIFICATION

CN No.	2021-15	Date: 31 August 2021
To:	Chief Executive Officer or equivalent	
Purpose:	General Information	
Scope:	All 2021 VET Funding Contracts (version 3.0)	
Subject:	Release of the draft 2022 VET Funding Contracts, Guidelines and associated guides	

Purpose

This Contract Notification is inform training providers about the release of the draft:

- 2022 Standard VET Funding Contract
- 2022 Dual Sector VET Funding Contract
- 2022 TAFE VET Funding Contract
- 2022 Guidelines About Eligibility
- 2022 Guidelines About Fees
- 2022 Guidelines About Apprenticeship/Traineeship Training Delivery
- 2022 Skills First Quality Charter.

Together with the publication of a series of guides to help training providers understand changes to the Contract and Guidelines:

- Guide to content changes
- Guide to edits – Contract
- Guide to edits – Guidelines

All these documents are published in the Documents section of SVTS.

Training providers with a 2021 Contract should refer CN 2021- 14 in the Memos section of SVTS for information about the process for accepting a 2022 Contract offer.

Background

The current 2021 VET Funding Contract (the 2021 Contract) expires on 31 December 2021.

On 10 August 2021 (CN 2021-12), the Department of Education and Training (the Department) announced that it will enter into one-year 2022 Skills First VET Funding Contracts (the 2022 Contracts).

The Department has published the draft 2022 Contracts as part of the 2022 contracting process.

Main Points

Changes to the 2022 Contract

Given reforms are still in progress at both the state and national level, we have maintained stability in contract settings into 2022.

The 2022 Contract obligations remain substantively the same as under the 2021 Contracts. Changes are to:

- clarify and update existing Contract requirements, initiatives and programs
- improve efficiency
- include a small number of new clauses.

Administrative change to training arrangement in the Non-Victorian Contract

To simplify administrative arrangements, we will no longer use a separate contract type for non-Victorian based training providers delivering to a National Enterprise. Instead, the Department will use a Standard Skills First Contract, and the conditions for delivering to national enterprises will be documented as an attachment to Schedule 2.

This doesn't change any of the Contract terms for either Non-Victorian or Standard Contract holders.

Help understanding the changes

Guidance is available in the Documents section of SVTS to help you understand the 2022 Contract and Guidelines and update your business processes if needed. This includes:

- Guide to content changes – this summarises and explains more significant changes
- Guide to edits – Contract – this is a comprehensive list of specific changes
- Guide to edits – Guidelines – this is a comprehensive list of specific changes

For questions about the 2022 Contract, please submit an enquiry on SVTS using the category '2022 Skills First Contracting'.

Critical Dates

The Department expects to publish the final version of the 2022 Contract in late October, following the contracting process and ahead of final Contract offers.

The 2022 Contract commences on 1 January 2022.

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