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# *Policy of Recognition of Prior Learning*

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## **1. Introduction**

The purpose of the policy of recognition of prior learning is to assist members with previous learning experience or skills associated with Kinderkinetics to register at a sublevel at the South African Professional Institute of Kinderkinetics (SAPIK). SAPIK is a body that regulates the profession of Kinderkinetics, which is in the interests of the public and particularly the members of the Institution.

SAPIK has four categories of membership:

- Kinderkineticist
- Assistant Kinderkineticist
- Kinderkineticist in Training
- Assistant Kinderkineticist in Training
- Kinderkineticist (Oupa Clause)

The professional body SAPIK is a supporting professional that is recognized by other health and related professions as a competent service provider in the health industry to promote and protect the interests of the profession of Kinderkinetics.

This Membership Admission Policy has been agreed by SAPIK Board members and all decisions on membership ultimately rest with them. Each application will be evaluated on an individual basis.

## **2. Process of recognition of prior learning**

2.1 Section 2 of the Ethical Guidelines for a SAPIK registered Kinderkineticist including Kinderkineticist-in-Training and Assistant Kinderkineticist (The Act, 2016) requires that:

- 2.1.1 Every Kinderkineticist or Assistant Kinderkineticist contemplated by the Act must register at the South African Professional Institute for Kinderkinetics (SAPIK) before appointment to a post, and

- 2.1.2 No person may be employed as a Kinderkineticist or Assistant Kinderkineticist by an employer unless that person is registered with the SAPIK.
- 2.1.3 The name “Kinderkinetics” is registered as a trademark and therefore no person that is not fully qualified and/or not registered at SAPIK may market him/herself as a Kinderkineticist or practice any acts as a Kinderkineticist.

## 2.2 Application for recognition of prior learning

- 2.2.1 Any person who has previous experience or skills associated with Kinderkinetics can apply for recognition of prior learning.
- 2.2.2 An application for recognition of prior learning must be accompanied by all the necessary documents and detailed motivations as stated in the application form.
- 2.2.3 As stated in **SAPIK’s Registration process section 2.5** will take place. Please see the *Membership Admission Policy of South Africa Professional Institute of Kinderkinetics (SAPIK)* for more information in this regard.
- 2.2.4 Application form must be emailed to [sapikinfo@gmail.com](mailto:sapikinfo@gmail.com) accompanied by all required documents.

## 3. Application fees

An application fee of R100.00 is required for the process to start. Proof of payment must be send to SAPIK via email with a duly completed application form. SAPIK’s banking details is as follows:

### ABSA Bank

**Name of Business:** South-African Professional Institute of Kinderkinetics  
(SAPIK)

**Account nr:** 9305430937

**Branch Code:** 632005

**Reference:** Name, surname and purpose of payment

A copy of the deposit slip must be e-mailed to: [sapikinfo@gmail.com](mailto:sapikinfo@gmail.com)

#### **4. Feedback from SAPIK**

After receiving all the necessary information regarding recognition of prior learning in the different designations that can be awarded by SAPIK, SAPIK will inform each member via email through a formal letter if the application was successful or not. If the application was successful SAPIK will inform the applicant of the necessary steps that he/she will have to follow in order to register with SAPIK. Currently there are two designations that the applicant can apply for or that will be awarded if the application is successful.

##### **4.1 Kinderkineticist**

Prerequisites and limitations will be identified by the training committee of SAPIK based on the information in the application of the applicant and procedures will be outlined to the applicant to obtain the necessary scientific background etc. as well as the time frame in which these shortcomings need to be in place. These prerequisites have to be submitted to SAPIK. When the applicant is successful, the applicant will be informed by SAPIK that he/she can register with SAPIK.

The following professions but not limited to that are offered worldwide will be considered under this qualification.

1. Adapted Physical Education Teachers
2. Special Needs Teachers
3. Pediatric Exercise Specialist
4. Motor Therapist
5. Motor Remedial Teacher
6. Pediatric Physical Therapist
7. Kinder physiotherapists
8. Developmental Movement Therapist
9. Pediatric Occupational Therapist

If successful, candidates from such profession will be registered under the Oupa-Clause.

## **4.2 Oupa-Clause**

This clause refers to members who can prove that they are experts in the field of Kinderkinetics and who can provide direction in training in Kinderkinetics and work side by side with kinderkineticists.

## **4.3 Assistant Kinderkineticist**

Limitations will be identified by the training committee of SAPIK based on the information in the application of the applicant and procedures will be outlined to the applicant to obtain the necessary scientific background etc. as well as the time frame in which these shortcomings need to be in place. These prerequisites have to be submitted to SAPIK within the time frame as set by SAPIK. When the applicant is successful, the applicant will be informed by SAPIK that he/she can register with SAPIK.

## **5. Procedures**

Basic procedure that will be followed will be:

1. There will be expected from THE APPLICANT to firstly update his/her scientific background. This entails the completion of a module called motor learning presented by the University of North-West and Stellenbosch. THE APPLICANT will have to buy the textbook and study it by himself/herself and then write a test were a mark of 60% must be obtained in order to pass. If THE APPLICANT passes, he/she will start with the next requirement namely the practical section.
2. The practical section will constitute of 12 practical hours. THE APPLICANT will have to conduct the practical hours under the supervision of a registered Kinderkineticist. It includes assignments regarding obtaining background information which is relevant to the assessment of toddlers in a Kinderkinetics program. A list of Practitioners is available on SAPIK's website. Please note that the practitioner should sign the logbook of the APPLICANT after every session that was conducted/attended under the practitioner's supervision.

3. Lastly, after the completion of the theoretical and practical aspects the APPLICANT will need to attend a 2-day Assistant Kinderkinetics workshop that he/she must pay for. SAPIK will inform the APPLICANT on the available dates. After completion of the Assistant Kinderkinetics workshop and the outcomes that have to be completed within 3 months the APPLICANT have to apply his/her skills for an additional 8 hours in a Kinderkinetics practice under supervision. The applicant will then receive a certificate from SAPIK as proof that the APPLICANT can register as an Assistant Kinderkineticist or a Kinderkineticist. If the APPLICANT does not pass, SAPIK will inform the applicant of a second opportunity to obtain the certificate.

After registration is granted, an applicant must register with SAPIK by completing a registration form RR1 that is available on SAPIK's website [www.kinderkinetics.co.za](http://www.kinderkinetics.co.za), accompanied by the necessary documents as stipulated in the registration form.