



MFMA Learning - DVD Launched

National Treasury is pleased to announce the launch of the *MFMA Learning* programme.

The learning programme was developed in response to numerous requests to assist in raising awareness and a broader knowledge of the MFMA.

It comprises six modules that cover the fundamental principals of municipal finance management. Designed to benefit councillors and officials, this computerised, interactive learning programme can be undertaken in a classroom environment or individually at a pace and convenience to suit the learner.

Contribution towards accredited NQF 6 courses and MFMA competency levels

Undertaking these modules will prepare learners in understanding the concepts covered in accredited post graduate courses in finance management. Certificates awarded after completion of these modules may form part of a portfolio of evidence by a learner studying towards the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) level 6 Municipal Finance Management Certificate.

It will also contribute to the ability of officials to satisfy competency requirements prescribed under the MFMA and to councillors understanding of their role in terms of financial oversight.

Getting started

The learning programme is contained on a DVD and has been couriered to the designated *MFMA Learning* coordinator at every municipality.

Go to the *MFMA Learning* website

Before loading the DVD go to the website www.treasury.gov.za/mfma then click on the "**MFMA Learning**" icon in the left margin.

The website contains comprehensive information on *MFMA Learning* and includes:

- Installation of the DVD
- Learner registration, support and tracking progress
- How *MFMA Learning* works, system requirements and costs
- Subjects covered and links to accredited courses

The website also houses a learner management system (LMS). Learners upload their profile to the LMS after completing each module. This allows learners to receive certificates of completion and provides the tracking information for the LMS.

Coordination of the learning programme

Each municipality has already nominated a *MFMA Learning* coordinator to support and oversee learning in the municipality. The learning may be undertaken in a class room environment or at an individual's work station or even at home. This will depend on each municipality's approach and possibly the level of support required for different categories of learner. Provincial treasuries will monitor roll out in the provinces, provide additional support where required and have already nominated a provincial coordinator. Coordinators in municipalities should be aware of the coordinator in the provincial treasury. High capacity municipalities are strongly encouraged to provide assistance to neighbouring municipalities and all municipalities should collaborate wherever possible.

Important note on installation of software

Please check the minimum computer specifications and ensure each computer is compliant before attempting installation. The software will not operate on computers that do not meet the minimum specification.

Installation instructions are provided as the first item on the screen when the DVD is loaded or on the website (see above) under the section "How is the software installed?"

Conclusion

This interactive multimedia learning programme provides flexibility for learners. Learning can occur in a classroom environment, at the workstation or even at home. It will be useful for induction of councillors and officials as well as for review by those with previous experience. All councillors and officials with key roles in municipal finance management need to be familiar with the concepts and principles covered in this programme.

Please read through all information provided on the web site before contacting the municipal coordinator, the provincial treasury coordinator or the MFMA Learning administrator.

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