



# ZULULAND Remedial Centre

Reaching Heights through Inclusive Education

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Dear Parents

**RE: ITR-DD FORMS**

Please take note that the school will no longer be able to complete the new ITR-DD forms that SARS officially published on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2023. This is due to changes in the legislation and SARS has made significant changes to the diagnostic criteria.

Zululand Remedial Centre is a LSEN school falling under Programme 4 under Department of Education, fortunately due to changes of the legislation of SARS, it does not affect the status of LSEN schools but has a direct affect of school fee retention of SARS.

Please see attached letter from Renier Botha and Associates Inc to clarify this matter.

ZRC's Financial/Debtors office cannot assist with any ITR-DD form anymore.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Parents,

**UPDATED ITR-DD FORM**

Please take note that the school will no longer be able to complete the new ITR-DD forms that SARS officially published on the 26<sup>th</sup> of June 2023. This is due to changes in the legislation that was adopted on the 29<sup>th</sup> of October 2021 back dated to the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2020.

SARS has made significant changes to the diagnostic criteria as set out below.

**Vision** select checkbox to mark with an X Applicable

You are welcome at this stage to print the document and submit it to your medical practitioner.

In SARS's policy, in determining whether a person has a disability for the purposes of section 6B of the Act to follow the guidelines specified by the World Health Organisation. The minimum requirement for a person to be classified as a person with a disability is as follows:

Disability	Minimum Requirement
Visual Acuity	In the better eye with best possible correction, less than 6/18 (0.3)
Visual Field	10 degrees or less around central fixation

6/18 means that when a person with normal vision can read at 18 metres, the person being tested can only read 6 metres.  
Best possible correction refers to the condition after a person's vision has been corrected by means of spectacles, contact lenses or intraocular (implanted) lenses.

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? select radio button 1 of 2 for Yes Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Physical** Applicable

A person is regarded as a person with a disability if his or her impairment is to such an extent that he or she -

- is unable to walk, for example, amputee or cast
- is able to walk only with the use of assistive devices, for example, canes, crutches, walking frames and other such devices
- is able to walk without the use of assistive devices but with a degree of difficulty, for example, persons with Cerebral Palsy, Polio etc. that is reduced in duration amounting to risk
- is functionally limited in the use of their upper limbs

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Hearing** Applicable

Hearing disability is defined as the functional limitations resulting from a hearing impairment. Hearing impairment is a sensory impairment that influences verbal communication between speaker and listener.

- An adult is considered moderately to severely hearing impaired when the hearing loss is described as follows without the use of an amplification device:
  - Bilateral hearing loss with a pure tone average equal to or greater than 20 dB HL in each ear
  - Unilateral hearing loss with a pure tone average equal to or greater than 40 dB HL in the affected ear
- A child is considered moderately to severely hearing impaired when the hearing loss is described as follows without the use of an amplification device:
  - Bilateral hearing loss with a pure tone average greater than 15 dB HL in each ear
  - Unilateral hearing loss with a pure tone average equal to or greater than 20 dB HL in the affected ear

**Notes:**  
Hearing impairment is an abnormal or reduced function in hearing resulting from an auditory disorder.  
A child is a person between the ages of 0 to 18 years.  
Amplification devices include hearing aids, implantable devices and assistive listening devices.  
Pure Tone Average (PTA): average of hearing sensitivity thresholds in decibel hearing level to pure tone signals at 500 Hz & 1000 Hz, 2000 Hz & 4000 Hz of each ear.  
Bilateral hearing loss is a hearing sensitivity loss in both ears.  
Unilateral hearing loss is a hearing sensitivity loss in one ear only.

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Communication** select checkbox to mark with an X Applicable

For purposes of section 6B of the Act, a person is regarded as having a moderate to severe communication disability if he or she has any one or a combination of the following, which even with appropriate therapy, medication and devices, substantially limits that is more than momentary or bothersome) one or more major life activity because it is age-appropriate:

- Inability to make self understood to familiar communication partners using speech in a quiet setting
- Inability to make self understood to familiar and/or non-familiar communication partners and to meet communication needs as appropriate for his/her age by using speech in a more than 30 intelligible words
- Problems in understanding meaningful language by familiar communication partners that lead to substantial difficulty in communicating or
- The need for, or use of, augmentative or alternative communication (AAC), including unaided (Sign language or other manual signs) or aided means of communication (ranging from communication boards to speech generating devices)

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? select radio button 1 of 2 for Yes Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Mental** Applicable

With the exclusion of the actual disability, a person is regarded to be a person with a mental disability if he or she has been diagnosed, in terms of accepted diagnostic criteria (Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM-5)) by a mental health care professional, with or without a such diagnosis, with a mental impairment that disrupts daily functioning and that impairment moderately or severely interferes or limits the performance of major life activities, such as learning, thinking, communicating and sleeping, among others.

**Notes:**  
Moderate impairment means a Global Assessment Functioning Score (GAR-Score) between 31 and 60, and  
Severe impairment means GAR-Score of 30 and below.

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

**Intellectual** Applicable

A person is regarded to be a person with an intellectual disability if he or she has a moderate to severe impairment in intellectual functioning that is accompanied by a significant limitation in adaptive functioning in at least two of the following skill areas:

- Communication
- Self-care
- Home living
- Social/interpersonal skills
- Use of community resources
- Self-direction
- Functional academic skills, work, leisure, health and safety

**Notes:**  
Moderate impairment means an Intelligence Quotient (IQ) between 35 and 49 and  
Severe impairment means IQ of 34 and below.

Is your patient's impairment in accordance with these criteria? Y  N

If Yes, when did your patient for the first time meet these criteria? (CCYYMM) [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ]

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Should your child still meet the diagnostic criteria mentioned above please ensure that you take your child to the correct physician per the requirements below.

Medical Practitioner Requirements	
Disability	Duly registered medical practitioner trained to diagnose the applicable disability or to express an opinion thereon.
Vision	Practitioner trained to use the Snellen chart (e.g. an optometrist or ophthalmologist).
Hearing	Practitioner trained to perform or conduct a battery of the Diagnostic Audiometry tests. (e.g. an Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist or Audiologist).
Speech	E.g. Speech-Language Pathologist
Physical	E.g. Orthopaedic Surgeon, Neuro Surgeon, Physiotherapist or Occupational Therapist.
Intellectual	E.g. Psychiatrist or Clinical Psychologist
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Mental	E.g. Psychiatrist or Clinical Psychologist

Regards,



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