



# NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL (NECO)

## KM 8, BIDA ROAD, P.M.B. 159, MINNA NIGER STATE

### 2023 SENIOR SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (SSCE) EXTERNAL REGISTRATION OF CANDIDATES

#### 1. APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION

Prospective candidates who wish to register for the 2023 Senior School Certificate Examination (SSCE) External, are hereby informed that registration for the examination has commenced. The registration is both offline and online. Prospective candidates should visit the Council's website [www.neco.gov.ng](http://www.neco.gov.ng) SSCE External link and register at any time within the stipulated registration period. Candidates can create account, purchase registration quota and then proceed to any reputable Cybercafé for biometric and completion of registration.

- ❖ Passport size photograph is required for the registration. *The candidate's passport size photograph* should *NOT* be more than *SIX MONTHS old* and must have white background. System Camera can also be used to snap the passport size photograph at the point of registration as the case may be.
- ❖ BIOMETRIC FINGERPRINTS WILL BE CAPTURED DURING THE OFFLINE REGISTRATION OF EACH CANDIDATE.
- ❖ CANDIDATES SHOULD NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE BIOMETRIC VERIFICATION DURING THE CONDUCT OF THE EXAMINATION.
- ❖ CANDIDATES FOUND TO HAVE MISMATCHED FINGERPRINTS AT THE POINT OF VERIFICATION ARE DEEMED IMPERSONATORS AND WOULD BE SANCTIONED ACCORDING TO EXTANT LAWS.

#### 2. REGISTRATION WEBSITE – [www.neco.gov.ng](http://www.neco.gov.ng)

#### 3. REGISTRATION FEE AND OTHER MATERIALS

The Registration Fee is Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Naira (₦17,800.00) only.

Four-figure Table is Five Hundred Naira (₦500.00) only per copy.

Waterproof Certificate Jacket/Folder is Two Thousand Naira (₦2,000) only per candidate.

Note that Stamp Duty, Service and Remita charges apply.

#### 4. MODE OF PAYMENT

Candidates or registration points (cyber cafes) are to visit [www.neco.gov.ng](http://www.neco.gov.ng) and create an account using either their emails or phone numbers, activate the accounts and pay into the NECO TSA through five payment options.

- ATM Card
- Internet Banking
- USSD
- Wallet
- Bank Branch

#### 5. REGISTRATION PERIOD

- i. The registration period begins on *11<sup>th</sup> September, 2023* and ends on *13<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 at 12.00 midnight*.
- ii. Late registration i.e. registration done from *14<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2023* will attract payment of **ADDITIONAL Two Thousand Naira (₦2,000)** only.
- iii. Walk-in registration is **Twenty-eight Thousand Naira (₦28,000.00)** only per candidate.

## 6. ATTESTATION/PHOTO CARDS AND EXAMINATION TIME TABLE

On completion of the registration process, each candidate must obtain the following from the Cybercafé:

- i. Timetable for the examination; and
  - ii. At least **One (1) clear copy of the NECO Photo card**; which would be used to admit the candidate into the Examination Hall. (Candidates should note that Passport size photographs on the Photo cards that are not clear will NOT be accepted in the Examination Hall).
- ❖ The Referee's Attestation section of the Photo card should be **SIGNED AND STAMPED** by any of the following:
    - a) The Principal of a recognized Secondary School.
    - b) An Ordained Clergyman or a Chief Imam.
    - c) A Commissioned Officer of the Nigerian Armed Forces or the Police not below the rank of Captain or its equivalent.
    - d) A Senior Civil Servant not below GL. 14.
    - e) A Legal Practitioner of not less than Ten years' experience.
  - ❖ **CANDIDATES ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR ATTESTATION/PHOTO CARDS AT NECO STATE OFFICE FOR STAMPING.**

## 7. VISUALLY IMPAIRED CANDIDATES

Visually impaired candidates are to register like everyone. However, they are to indicate the nature of their disability when making entry of their bio-data in the offline application during registration.

## 8. EXAMINATION CENTRES

The Examination centres for each State have been grouped into Neighbourhoods. Candidates should select a Neighbourhood within the State where they intend to sit for the Examination and they will automatically be assigned a centre within the selected neighbourhood after uploading their registration data online.

## 9. AVAILABLE SUBJECTS FOR THE EXAMINATION

Subjects available are:

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Agricultural Science        | 16. Hausa                 |
| 2. Arabic Language             | 17. Health Education      |
| 3. Biology                     | 18. History               |
| 4. Chemistry                   | 19. Igbo                  |
| 5. Civic Education             | 20. Islamic Studies       |
| 6. Christian Religious Studies | 21. Literature-in-English |
| 7. Commerce                    | 22. Mathematics           |
| 8. Data Processing             | 23. Marketing             |
| 9. Economics                   | 24. Physical Education    |
| 10. English Language           | 25. Physics               |
| 11. Financial Accounting       | 26. Salesmanship          |
| 12. French                     | 27. Store Keeping         |
| 13. Further Mathematics        | 28. Technical Drawing     |
| 14. Geography                  | 29. Yoruba                |
| 15. Government                 |                           |

*Candidates should note that Nigerian Languages (Hausa, Igbo and Yoruba) include Literature component*

## 10. GENERAL INFORMATION

- i. The Registration fee, once paid, is non-refundable.
- ii. **WALK IN CANDIDATES** can now register Six (6) hours to the Subject they intend to write.
- iii. **EXAMINATION CENTRE CANNOT BE EDITED** after upload.
- iv. Candidates or cybercafé operators should carefully follow the SSCE External link on [www.neco.gov.ng](http://www.neco.gov.ng) for instructions on the registration procedure before embarking on the registration exercise.
- v. The use of reputable cyber cafes is *highly recommended* as the Council will not be liable for registration errors committed by candidates. Candidates should ensure that they cross-check all entries made by cyber cafes on their behalf, in the offline application before allowing the data to be uploaded online. *Note: there is only one chance for correction once the candidate's data is uploaded online.*
- vi. Candidates are entitled to **ONE-TIME CORRECTION** with a validity period of **TWO WEEKS** after upload.  
Note that:
  - a. complete change of name will not be entertained.
  - b. **ONLY ONE** out of these two: **NAME (either Surname, First name or middle name) OR PASSPORT** can be corrected in addition to other registration data.
- vii. Candidates should study the Rules & Regulations as well as the Syllabus before the Examination.
- viii. Candidates should note that the photograph uploaded during the registration will be embossed on their Certificates.
- ix. Candidates would be informed about the viability of their centres at least a day before the date of the Examination.
- x. *Smoking, bringing into the Examination Hall Electronic Communication Gadgets (Programmable Calculators, Mobile Phones, iPad, Tablets, Smart Wrist Watches/Glasses/Pens Etc) is strictly prohibited.*
- xi. Candidates should dress in mufti and no one will be allowed entry into the examination hall with arms.
- xii. Multiple registration is not allowed. *Candidates who register more than once will have their entire results cancelled.*
- xiii. Please note that *No candidate shall be allowed into the Examination Hall after the commencement of Examination.*

Signed

PROFESSOR DANTANI IBRAHIM WUSHISHI  
Registrar/Chief Executive