



LEGAL SECTOR

CHARTER COUNCIL

REMINDER: SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL REPORTS BY 31 AUGUST 2026 BY QSEs AND LARGE LSMEs

Date of issue: 17 August 2026

1. The Legal Sector Charter Council reminds all Legal Sector Measured Entities that annual reports required in terms of the Legal Sector Code must be submitted by no later than **31 August 2026**.
2. This is in accordance with paragraph 13.4 of the Legal Sector Code and draws attention to the reporting obligations contemplated in paragraphs 13.8 and 13.10, including the requirement that annual reports **MUST** include the applicable scorecard audited by an accredited verification agency.
3. The annual compliance reporting templates are attached –
 - 3.1. Attorney QSEs: <https://lsc.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Annual-Report-Template-for-QSEs.pdf>
 - 3.2. Attorney Large LSMEs: <https://lsc.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2026/05/Template-For-Large-LSMEs.pdf>
 - 3.3. Black Advocates who qualify as QSEs: <https://lsc.org.za/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/LEGAL-SECTOR-QSE-Confirmatory-Affidavit-Advocates.pdf>
 - 3.4. Advocates who are not Black and who qualify as QSEs and all advocates, irrespective of race, who qualify as Large LSMEs are required to file a B-BBEE Certificate and scorecard report issued by SANAS accredited Verification Agency.
4. The reporting templates and affidavits are also available on the LSCC website at <https://lsc.org.za/documents-and-resources/>.
5. Submissions may be made by uploading the report on the LSCC website at www.lsc.org.za or by emailing it to info@lsc.org.za.
6. Entities requiring further information should consult the relevant provisions of the Code, Clarification Notice CN01 of 2025, and any guidance notes issued by the LSCC.