

EC105 (Ndlambe Local Municipality) Schedule of Service Delivery Standards 2026/2027	
Description	
Standard	2026/2027 Service Level
Solid Waste Removal	
Premise based removal (Residential Frequency)	Once a week
Premise based removal (Business Frequency)	Twice a week
Bulk Removal (Frequency)	Once a week
Removal Bags provided(Yes/No)	No
Garden refuse removal Included (Yes/No)	Yes (limit to 2 bags)
Street Cleaning Frequency in CBD	Daily
Street Cleaning Frequency in areas excluding CBD	Weekly
How soon are public areas cleaned after events (24hours/48hours/longer)	Within 24hrs (by organizer and exceptions by municipality)
Clearing of illegal dumping (24hours/48hours/longer)	Longer
Recycling or environmentally friendly practices(Yes/No)	Yes (privately run; Blue Flag beaches & recreational nodes polytime benches, bins and disabled access ramp)
Licensed landfill site(Yes/No)	Yes
Water Service	
Water Quality rating (Blue/Green/Brown/NO drop)	Blue Drop
Is free water available to all? (All/only to the indigent consumers)	Only indigents
Frequency of meter reading? (per month, per year)	Monthly
Are estimated consumption calculated on actual consumption over (two months'/three month's/longer period)	Averages based on past 6 months
On average, how long does the municipality use estimates before reverting to actual readings? (months)	Average only if access to meter is restricted

Duration (hours) before availability of water is restored in cases of service interruption (complete the sub questions)	
One service connection affected (number of hours)	(25mm HDPE) 45 minutes
Up to 5 service connections affected (number of hours)	(50mm PVC) at least 2 hours
Up to 20 service connections affected (number of hours)	(75mm pvc) 2 and half up to 2 hours
Feeder pipe larger than 800mm (number of hours)	(350mm) on the PVC pipe it takes at least 8 hours
What is the average minimum water flow in your municipality?	Residential 2 bars
Do you practice any environmental or scarce resource protection activities as part of your operations? (Yes/No)	No
How long does it take to replace faulty water meters? (days)	Bulk meters 10 days Residential 4 days
Do you have a cathodic protection system in place that is operational at this stage? (Yes/No)	No

Electricity Service	
What is your electricity availability percentage on average per month?	98% excluding loadshedding
Do your municipality have a ripple control in place that is operational? (Yes/No)	Yes
How much do you estimate the cost saving in utilizing the ripple control system?	1 MEGA WATT
What is the frequency of meters being read? (per month, per year)	Monthly
Are estimated consumption calculated at consumption over (two months'/three month's/longer period)	Averages based on past 6 months
On average, how long does the municipality use estimates before reverting back to actual readings? (months)	Average only if access to meter is restricted
Duration before availability of electricity is restored in cases of breakages (immediately/one day/two days/longer)	Immediately
Are accounts normally calculated on actual readings? (Yes/no)	Yes
Do you practice any environmental or scarce resource protection activities as part of your operations? (Yes/No)	No
How long does it take to replace faulty meters? (days)	2 hrs
Do you have a plan to prevent illegal connections and prevent electricity theft? (Yes/No)	Yes
How effective is the action plan in curbing line losses? (Good/Bad)	Good, below the norm
How soon does the municipality provide a quotation to a customer upon a written request? (days)	6 hrs
How long does the municipality take to provide electricity service where existing infrastructure can be used? (working days)	7 Days

How long does the municipality take to provide electricity service for low voltage users where network extension is not required? (working days)	2 Weeks
How long does the municipality take to provide electricity service for high voltage users where network extension is not required. (working days)	1 Month

Sewerage Service	
Is your purification system effective enough to put water back into the system after purification?	Yes
To what extent do you subsidize your indigent consumers?	100% on Rates and availabilities. Water 6kl and Electricity 50 kwh
How long does it take to restore sewerage breakages on average	
Severe overflow? (hours)	Within 24 hours
Sewer blocked pipes: Large pipes? (Hours)	Less than 6 hours
Sewer blocked pipes: Small pipes? (Hours)	At least 2 hours
Spillage clean-up? (hours)	At least 2 hours
Replacement of manhole covers. (Hours)	24 hours

Road Infrastructure Services	
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Time taken to repair a single pothole on a major road. (Hours)	1 and half hours, even less depending on the size.
Time taken to repair a single pothole on a minor road. (Hours)	1 hour, even less depending on the size.
Time taken to repair a road following an open trench service crossing? (Hours)	8 Hours
Time taken to repair walkways. (Hours)	8 hours depending on the damage
Property valuations	
How long does it take on average from completion to the first account being issued? (one month/three months or longer)	one month
Do you have any special rating properties? (Yes/No)	Yes
Financial Management	
Is there any change in the situation of unauthorised and wasteful expenditure over time? (Decrease/Increase)	Decrease by 50%
Is the financial statement outsourcing? (Yes/No)	No
Are there Council adopted business process structuring the flow and management of documentation feeding to Trial Balance?	Process to be developed
How long does it take for a Tax/Invoice to be paid from the date it has been received?	30 Days from date received by finance
Is there advance planning from SCM unit linking all departmental plans quarterly and annually including for the next two to three years procurement plans?	Yes, Supply Chain co-ordinates the procurement plan for the current financial year and outer years will be incorporated in the future.
Administration	

Reaction time on enquiries and requests?	This varies from day to day also depending on the medium used.
Time to respond to a verbal customer enquiry or request? (working days)	Same day but not longer than 3 days
Time to respond to a written customer enquiry or request? (working days)	Same day but not longer than 3 days
Time to resolve a customer enquiry or request? (working days)	Same day but not longer than 3 days
What percentage of calls are not answered? (5%,10% or more)	Not recorded
How long does it take to respond to voice mails? (hours)	We do not use voice mails
Does the municipality have control over locked enquiries? (Yes/No)	Yes there is a system used by the Customer Relations Officer
Is there a reduction in the number of complaints or not? (Yes/No)	Yes
How long does it take to open an account to a new customer? (1 day/ 2 days/ a week or longer)	Same day but not longer than 3 days or as soon as the deeds office reflect the registration
How many times do SCM Unit, CFO's Unit and Technical unit sit to review and resolve SCM process delays other than normal monthly management meetings?	As and when required
Community safety and licensing services	
How long does it take to register a vehicle? (minutes)	15 minutes

How long does it take to renew a vehicle license? (minutes)	10 min
How long does it take to issue a duplicate registration certificate vehicle? (minutes)	10 min submit the application; DoT take 31 days maximum to return to Ndlambe Traffic department
How long does it take to de-register a vehicle? (minutes)	15 minutes
How long does it take to renew a driver's license? (minutes)	30 min
What is the average reaction time of the fire service to an incident? (minutes)	5 min (urban and residential subject to the distance the incident is in relation to where the fire station is situated ie 5min in Port Alfred as the Fire department otherwise longer pending the town)
What is the average reaction time of the ambulance service to an incident in the urban area? (minutes)	Ndlambe does not have an ambulance service in its books, it's either private companies or Department of Health
What is the average reaction time of the ambulance service to an incident in the rural area? (minutes)	Ndlambe does not have an ambulance service on its books, it's either private companies or Department of Health
Economic Development	
Did your municipality participate in the Sub-National Doing Business Survey, and have the results been	No

analyses to design interventions to promote the ease of doing business in your municipality? (Yes/No)	
Does the municipality have a consolidated spatial view of its key business districts and the interventions required to unlock or promote economic growth in these areas, and is this information taken into account in the City's infrastructure planning – including the Built Environment Performance Plan? (Yes/No)	Yes
How many job opportunities have been created through the municipality's EPWP and/or Community Work Programme for the last financial year?	1705 through EPWP and 30 through Cwp
How many projects does the municipality drive to support small business growth and entrepreneurship?	190 Informal traders
How many economic development projects does the municipality drive?	13 SMME's
Does the municipality have an active partnership with academic institutions in the region in order to grow the local skills base? (Yes/No)	No
Does the municipality have an internship and/or apprenticeship programme to support skills development? (Yes/No)	Yes, Nelson Mandela Metro, Dept of Tourism
Does the municipality have active programmes to promote its business sectors and attract investments? (Yes/No)	Yes
Does the municipality have any incentive plans in place to create a conducive environment for economic development? (Yes/No)	No, municipality is heavily reliant on donor funding
Other service delivery and communication	

Is an information package handed to the new customer? (Yes/No)	No
Does the municipality have training or information sessions to inform the community? (Yes/No)	Yes through indigent registration and Mayoral Imbizo and Ward meetings
Are customers treated in a professional and human manner? (Yes/No)	Yes

