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**NOTICE TO CLIENTS AND CONVEYANCING FIRMS: WESTERN CAPE DEEDS
REGISTRY LODGED DEEDS – PROGRESS STATUS REPORT As at 09 January 2026**

This report serves to inform the clients and conveyancing firms of the current progress status of deeds lodged at the Western Cape Deeds Registry.

1. Overall Lodgement Overview

As at **31 December 2025**, a total of **20 222 deeds** were lodged. This reflects a significant increase when compared to **15 959 deeds lodged as at 31 December 2024**, indicating a substantially higher volume (+4 263) being processed during the period.

2. Deeds Pending Assignment for Junior Examination (Level 1) and Senior Examination (Level 2)

The deeds listed below are **still awaiting assignment for Junior Examination (Level 1)** as at **09 January 2026**:

Lodgement Date	Total Lodged:	Assigned	Outstanding (J/E)	Outstanding (SE)
10 December 2025	2 728	2 728	0	0
11 December 2025	1 032	1 032	0	0
12 December 2025	752	300	452 (Planned One-Tier)	752
15 December 2025	683	683	0	683
17 December 2025	718	196	522 (Planned for One-Tier)	522
18 December 2025	834	834	0	834
19 December 2025	1 036	823	0	823
22 December 2025	557	412	412	412
23 December 2025	265	265	0	0
24 December 2025	63	63	0	0
29 December 2025	11	11	0	0
30 December 2025	62	62	0	0
31 December 2025	4	4	0	0
Total Holdovers			1 316	4 26



Lodgement Date	Total Lodged:	Assigned	Outstanding	
02 January 2026	3	0	0	0
05 January 2026	178	178	0	0
06 January 2026	367	0	367	367
07 January 2026	360	0	360	360
08 January 2026	585	0	585	585
09 January 2026	436	0	436	456
Total Holdovers			1 748	1 748

Total deeds held over for Level 1 examination as at 09 January 2026: **2 983**

Total deeds held over for Level 2 examination as at 09 January 2026: **4 068**

NB: total deeds held over includes deeds lodged on the 09 January 2026.

4. Operational Context and Capacity Constraints

The Deeds Registry has **experienced low lodgement volumes** this week (**05-09 January 2026**) which matched the daily processing capacity of the office.

The office continues to make every effort to **catch up** (Projected for 20 January 2026) **on backlogs and improve turnaround times.**

Your understanding and cooperation for the high-volume of deeds lodged in December 2025 period is appreciated.

5. Office Operating Hours

Please be advised that the office **resumed** its normal operations fully on the **05 January 2025**.



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