



## National Evaluation Series™ Test Framework Worksheet Earth and Space Science

|            | Notes:                                                                              |                                                                                                                         | Multiple-Choice<br>Questions<br>(approx.) | Test Proportion (approx.) |  |  |  |
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|            | CONT                                                                                | ENT DOMAIN I—NATURE OF SCIENCE                                                                                          | 27                                        | 18%                       |  |  |  |
| Competency | 0001                                                                                | Understand principles and processes of scientific inquiry.                                                              |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0002                                                                                | Understand the history and nature of science.                                                                           |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0003                                                                                | Understand the relationships between science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.                                 |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | CONT                                                                                | ENT DOMAIN II—GEOLOGY                                                                                                   | 37                                        | 25%                       |  |  |  |
| Competency | 0004 Understand historical geology.                                                 |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0005                                                                                | Understand plate tectonics and the rock cycle.                                                                          |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0006                                                                                | Understand Earth materials, geologic resources, and Earth's internal structure.                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0007                                                                                | Understand the processes of weathering, erosion, and deposition.                                                        |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | CONTENT DOMAIN III—OCEANOGRAPHY AND FRESHWATER SYSTEMS 28 19%                       |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
| Competency | 0008 Understand the hydrologic cycle and its interaction with other Earth systems.  |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0009                                                                                | Understand the composition, structure, and properties of oceans.                                                        |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
| Co         | 0010 Understand the characteristics and properties of freshwater systems.           |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | CONTENT DOMAIN IV—THE ATMOSPHERE, WEATHER, 29 19%                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                           | 19%                       |  |  |  |
| Competency | 0011                                                                                | Understand the structure and properties of the atmosphere.                                                              |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0012                                                                                | Understand the characteristics of weather systems and the circumstances under which various weather conditions develop. |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0013                                                                                | Understand Earth's climate systems and the factors that influence climate.                                              |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | CONTENT DOMAIN V—ASTRONOMY 29 19%                                                   |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
| Competency | Understand the characteristics of stars, galaxies, and the universe.                |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | 0015                                                                                | Understand characteristics and components of the solar system.                                                          |                                           |                           |  |  |  |
|            | Understand the sun-moon-Earth system and the apparent motions of stars and planets. |                                                                                                                         |                                           |                           |  |  |  |

