



PROGRAMME INFORMATION

**Maintaining Occupational Health, Safety
and General Housekeeping**
SAFETY PROGRAMME

PURPOSE

The purpose of this learning programme will enable learners to demonstrate applied competence in Occupational health, safety awareness of environmental issues and general housekeeping based on statutory and industry requirements.

WHY DO I NEED THIS?

To protect lives and help prevent the destruction of property and the environment.

TARGET AUDIENCE

Responsible learners over the age of eighteen (18) who are responsible for maintaining health, safety and general housekeeping in the workplace.

SCOPE

The qualifying learner will be able to maintain health, safety and perform general housekeeping in the workplace. The qualifying learner will be capable of:

- Ensuring the quality of health and safety in the workplace;
- Ensuring the environment is protected with regard to decisions made in promoting health and safety requirements in the workplace.

In addition, learners will:

- Contribute to the national skills development strategy which is the key developmental interface between Learners and new competencies to be achieved.
- Master the applied competence described in this unit standard and, as a result, will contribute to the development of a professional community of safety personnel who are able to competently use science and technology when applying health and safety principles and techniques to a workplace.
- Contribute to socio-economic transformation in that learners will be able to undergo RPL-assessment and thereby receive recognition for previous learning and experience to help enhance the employability and career prospects of learners.

APPLICATION

After completing this learning programme, qualifying persons will be able to maintain occupational health, safety and general housekeeping in terms of local standards, legislated criteria and best practice.

EXPECTED DELIVERY TIME

Novice Training

Five days. This applies to learners with little to no experience. Such learners must attend full training and complete a learner assignment.

Re-Certification Training

One Day. This applies to learners who are in possession of a Certificate of Competency (COC) that has either expired or is about to expire. Such learners are required to produce a recognised COC as evidence of prior learning in order to be eligible for Re-Certification training (also known as “Refresher Training”).

CERTIFICATION

A Certificate of Competency will be issued to successful Learners. A Certificate of Competency (COC) is valid for a maximum period of two years from date of issue.

ENTRANCE QUALIFICATIONS

It is assumed that learners accessing this unit standard will have demonstrated competence in:

- Communication at NQF Level 1 or equivalent.

It is further assumed that:

- Learners are medically fit (mentally and physically) with the learning ability and potential to become a competent firefighter.
- Learners possess a healthy respect for their own safety, their fellow learners' as well as any other personnel who may be encountered during training. Learners shall each have their own Personal Protective Equipment and stationery when attending training.