



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Basic Pig Husbandry Practices For Beginners Training

Agriculture and Nature Conservation / Primary Agriculture

Unit Standard 116153 · NQF Level 1 · 5 Credits · 2 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course provides beginner pig farmers with the foundational knowledge and practical skills required for basic pig husbandry. Participants will learn essential management practices to ensure the health, welfare, and productivity of pigs in a South African context.

Category	Agriculture and Nature Conservation
Subfield	Primary Agriculture
Unit Standard	116153
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 1 · 5 Credits
Duration	2 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Identify and describe the different breeds of pigs and their characteristics.
- Demonstrate proper handling and housing techniques for pigs.
- Apply basic feeding and nutrition principles for different stages of pig growth.
- Implement basic health management and disease prevention practices.
- Evaluate signs of common pig diseases and take appropriate action.
- Demonstrate record-keeping and basic farm management practices.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- New and aspiring pig farmers, farm workers, and agricultural students who have little to no experience in pig husbandry and wish to start or improve their pig farming operations.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Pig Husbandry and Basic Management

- Overview of pig production in South Africa
- Pig breeds: Landrace, Large White, Duroc, and indigenous breeds
- Housing systems: pens, bedding, ventilation, and space requirements
- Biosecurity measures: disinfectants, visitor protocols, and isolation
- Nutrition basics: energy, protein, vitamins, and water requirements
- Feeding strategies for piglets, growers, and sows
- Common diseases: diarrhoea, respiratory infections, and parasites
- Record keeping: growth rates, feed conversion, and health logs

Day 2: Breeding, Farrowing, and Practical Farm Management

- Sow reproduction: oestrus detection, mating, and gestation
- Farrowing management: signs of labour, assisting birth, and piglet care
- Piglet management: colostrum, iron injections, and tail docking
- Weaning: age, stress reduction, and feeding transition
- Castration and ear notching: techniques and animal welfare
- Vaccination schedules and deworming programmes
- Practical record keeping for breeding and production
- Farm planning: biosecurity, waste management, and marketing

ASSESSMENT & CERTIFICATION

Delegates are assessed through exercises and a final test. A mark of **50% or above** earns an **AATICD Certificate of Completion**, issued digitally with a unique verification code. This course carries **5 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 1**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 15,400.00	R 15,400.00
1	In-House	R 20,000.00	R 20,000.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 23,100.00	R 23,100.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
11 Aug 2026	12 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
11 Aug 2026	12 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
11 Aug 2026	12 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
13 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
13 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
13 Aug 2026	14 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
17 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
17 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE

Contact us if no suitable date is listed – on-demand sessions can be arranged for groups.

HOW TO GET A QUOTE OR APPLY

1. **Get an instant quotation online:** visit www.aaticd.co.za, open the page for this course (Unit Standard 116153) and click **Get A Quote / Apply**. Select your training method and number of delegates – your quotation is generated immediately and emailed to you with the course brochure attached.
2. **Apply by email:** send the course title, your preferred training method (Online, In-House or On-Campus Pretoria), the number of delegates and your preferred dates to apply@aaticd.co.za – our team will reply with a formal quotation.
3. **Apply by phone or WhatsApp:** call **+27 12 004 8389** or WhatsApp **+27 65 077 6310** and we will prepare your quotation and reserve your seats.
4. **Confirm your booking:** accept the quotation and settle the invoice. As soon as payment is confirmed your delegates are enrolled and receive their AATICD LMS login details by email, along with joining instructions for their chosen training method.

Group discounts apply automatically – the more delegates you enrol, the lower the price per delegate. No payment is required to request a quotation.

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