



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Demonstrate An Understanding Of The Law Of Armed Conflict During Multi National Operations Training

Law, Military Science and Security / Sovereignty of the State

Unit Standard 117985 · NQF Level 5 · 10 Credits · 7 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips military and civilian personnel with a comprehensive understanding of the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) as applied in multinational operations. Learners will explore the legal principles governing the conduct of hostilities, the protection of civilians and combatants, and the responsibilities of commanders and troops. The course aims to ensure lawful decision-making and ethical conduct in complex, joint operational environments.

Category	Law, Military Science and Security
Subfield	Sovereignty of the State
Unit Standard	117985
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 10 Credits
Duration	7 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply the core principles of LOAC, including distinction, proportionality, and military necessity, in multinational operational scenarios.
- Analyze the legal framework governing the use of force and the protection of persons and property during armed conflict.
- Evaluate the responsibilities of commanders and individual combatants under LOAC and international humanitarian law.
- Demonstrate the ability to identify and report potential LOAC violations in a multinational context.
- Implement procedures for the lawful treatment of prisoners of war, civilians, and detained persons in joint operations.
- Integrate LOAC considerations into operational planning and rules of engagement for multinational forces.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Military officers, non-commissioned officers, and civilian staff involved in multinational peacekeeping, humanitarian, or combat operations.
- Also suitable for legal advisors, military trainers, and policymakers engaged in operational planning and execution.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC) and Multi-National Operations

- History and sources of LOAC (Geneva Conventions, Hague Conventions, customary law).
- Core principles of LOAC.
- Overview of multi-national operations: command structures, interoperability.
- Legal status of coalition forces.
- Introduction to Rules of Engagement.
- Case study: Application of LOAC in a UN peacekeeping mission.

Day 2: Protected Persons, Objects, and Means of Warfare

- Combatant and non-combatant status.
- Civilians and civilian immunity.
- Medical personnel, facilities, and the Red Cross/Red Crescent.
- Prisoners of War: treatment and rights.
- Prohibited weapons (chemical, biological, blinding lasers, etc.).
- Precautions in attack and defence.
- Cultural property protection (1954 Hague Convention).
- Environmental protection during armed conflict.

Day 3: Conduct of Hostilities and Targeting

- Types of armed conflict: IAC vs NIAC.
- Targeting process: identification, verification, and engagement.
- Direct participation in hostilities: legal implications.
- Proportionality assessment: balancing military gain against collateral damage.
- Precautions in attack: target confirmation, weapon selection, warning.
- Precautions against the effects of attacks: evacuation, shelter.
- Case study: Targeting decisions in a multi-national air campaign.

Day 4: Implementation and Enforcement of LOAC

- Command responsibility: duty to prevent and punish violations.
- Reporting and investigation of alleged breaches.
- Role of the ICRC in monitoring compliance.
- War crimes and grave breaches.
- Individual criminal responsibility.
- International Criminal Court and ad hoc tribunals.
- Universal jurisdiction and its application.
- Reprisals: limitations and prohibitions.

Day 5: LOAC in Multi-National Operations: Coordination and Challenges

- Legal interoperability: common standards vs national caveats.
- Role of the Legal Adviser in planning and execution.
- Status of Forces Agreements (SOFAs) and Memoranda of Understanding.
- Peace support operations: rules of engagement for peacekeeping.
- Use of force in self-defence vs mission mandate.
- Handling detainees in a coalition context.
- Information sharing and intelligence: legal constraints.
- Case study: LOAC application in a NATO-led operation.

Day 6: Practical Application: Scenario-Based Exercises

- Scenario 1: Checkpoint incident with civilian casualties.
- Scenario 2: Targeting a dual-use facility.
- Scenario 3: Handling of captured enemy combatants.
- Scenario 4: Medical evacuation under fire.
- Scenario 5: Response to a suspected war crime.
- Group discussions and feedback.
- Integration of Legal Adviser recommendations.
- After-action review and corrective actions.

Day 7: Integration, Assessment, and Future Challenges

- Review of key concepts and interconnections.
- Emerging technologies: LOAC implications of cyber and autonomous systems.
- Relationship between LOAC and International Human Rights Law.
- Future challenges: urban warfare, private military contractors.
- Written assessment: case analysis and essay questions.
- Group discussion: lessons from the week.
- Personal action plan: integrating LOAC into daily operations.
- Course evaluation and certificate distribution.

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 **10 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 29,600.00	R 29,600.00
1	In-House	R 38,500.00	R 38,500.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 44,400.00	R 44,400.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
11 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
12 Aug 2026	20 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
13 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
13 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
14 Aug 2026	24 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
17 Aug 2026	25 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
18 Aug 2026	26 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 117985) 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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