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COURSE BROCHURE

Pedestrian Escort for Close Protection Personnel

Law, Military Science and Security / Safety in Society

Unit Standard 244327 · NQF Level 5 · 15 Credits · 12 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips close protection personnel with the specialised skills to provide safe and effective pedestrian escorts for designated persons. It covers threat assessment, tactical positioning, and communication techniques to ensure the principal's security during movement on foot. Learners will gain the competence to plan and execute escorts in various environments, from urban settings to high-risk areas.

Category	Law, Military Science and Security
Subfield	Safety in Society
Unit Standard	244327
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 15 Credits
Duration	12 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply threat assessment techniques to identify and mitigate risks during pedestrian escorts.
- Demonstrate tactical positioning and movement drills to protect a designated person.
- Implement communication protocols with team members and the principal during escorts.
- Evaluate environmental factors and adjust escort plans accordingly.
- Execute emergency response procedures, including evacuation and counter-ambush drills.
- Analyze post-escort debriefs to improve future operations.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for security professionals, close protection officers, and bodyguards who are responsible for the physical safety of individuals during pedestrian movement.
- It is also suitable for individuals seeking to enter the close protection industry.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Close Protection and Pedestrian Escort

- Overview of close protection principles
- Legal framework: SAQA unit standard 244327, relevant laws
- Ethics and professionalism in close protection
- Roles and responsibilities of the pedestrian escort
- Basic threat assessment concepts
- Communication protocols and teamwork
- Introduction to escort formations
- Personal protective equipment (PPE) and gear

Day 2: Threat Assessment and Risk Management

- Threat assessment methodologies
- Identifying physical and environmental hazards
- Risk analysis: likelihood vs. impact
- Mitigation measures: route selection, timing
- Intelligence gathering and sources
- Dynamic risk assessment during escort
- Reporting and debriefing procedures

Day 3: Route Planning and Reconnaissance

- Route selection criteria
- Pre-route recce: checkpoints and observation
- Mapping and navigation tools
- Identifying potential threats along route
- Contingency planning: alternate routes, rally points
- Coordination with advance team
- Communication during recce
- Documentation of route plan

Day 4: Escort Formations and Positioning

- Types of formations: diamond, box, V-formation
- Positioning relative to principal
- Transitioning between formations
- Role of each team member in formation
- Communication signals and commands
- Formations in confined spaces
- Formations in crowds
- Drills for formation changes

Day 5: Observation and Situational Awareness

- Situational awareness models (e.g., OODA loop)
- Observation techniques: scanning, zoning
- Recognizing suspicious behavior
- Use of mirrors and other aids
- Maintaining 360-degree awareness
- Managing distractions

- Reporting observations
- Practical exercises in observation

Day 6: Communication and Coordination

- Radio etiquette and procedures
- Codes and brevity codes
- Hand signals and non-verbal cues
- Communication with principal and support
- Emergency communication procedures
- Inter-team coordination
- Communication during extraction
- Practical communication drills

Day 7: Crowd Management and Public Interaction

- Crowd dynamics and behavior
- Techniques for crowd control
- Creating a protective bubble
- Dealing with media and onlookers
- De-escalation strategies
- Emergency extraction from crowds
- Legal considerations
- Practical crowd management scenarios

Day 8: Emergency Response and Medical Considerations

- Types of emergencies: medical, attack, accident
- Basic life support and first aid
- Trauma management for principal
- Emergency evacuation techniques
- Calling for backup and medical assistance
- Incident command during emergency
- Post-incident procedures
- Practical first aid drills

Day 9: Vehicle Interfaces and Transitions

- Vehicle escort integration
- Vehicle arrival and departure procedures
- Principal transfer: vehicle to foot and vice versa
- Vehicle security checks
- Communication with driver and convoy
- Emergency vehicle extraction
- Practical transition drills

Day 10: Night Operations and Low-Light Conditions

- Challenges of low-light operations
- Use of torches, night vision, and IR markers
- Adapted formations and positioning
- Communication in darkness
- Route considerations at night

- Threat identification in low light
- Practical night escort exercise

Day 11: Scenario-Based Training and Simulation

- Scenario design and injects
- Role-play as principal, team, and threat actors
- Multiple threat scenarios (ambush, crowd, medical)
- Time-critical decision making
- After-action review and debrief
- Performance assessment criteria
- Team coordination under stress
- Practical full-mission simulation

Day 12: Assessment and Course Closure

- Written knowledge assessment
- Practical skills demonstration
- Individual and team evaluation
- Feedback session and debrief
- Certification requirements and process
- Career pathways in close protection
- Course summary and Q&A;
- Issuance of certificates

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 **15 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 43,000.00	R 43,000.00
1	In-House	R 56,000.00	R 56,000.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 64,600.00	R 64,600.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	25 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	25 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
12 Aug 2026	27 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
12 Aug 2026	27 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
14 Aug 2026	31 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
14 Aug 2026	31 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
17 Aug 2026	01 Sep 2026	On-Campus	Harare, Zimbabwe
17 Aug 2026	01 Sep 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 244327) 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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