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COURSE BROCHURE

Wildlife Behaviour Interpretation for Hunting

Agriculture and Nature Conservation / Nature Conservation

Unit Standard 246421 · NQF Level 4 · 10 Credits · 7 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the knowledge and skills to interpret wildlife behaviour in hunting contexts. It covers the principles of animal behaviour, species-specific patterns, and ethical hunting practices, enabling learners to make informed decisions in the field.

Category	Agriculture and Nature Conservation
Subfield	Nature Conservation
Unit Standard	246421
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 4 · 10 Credits
Duration	7 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Apply principles of wildlife behaviour to predict animal movements and responses in hunting scenarios.
- Analyze environmental and social factors influencing wildlife behaviour, such as habitat, season, and group dynamics.
- Evaluate species-specific behavioural cues, including feeding, breeding, and defensive behaviours.
- Demonstrate ethical hunting practices by interpreting stress signals and avoiding unnecessary suffering.
- Implement observation techniques to assess wildlife behaviour in diverse terrains and weather conditions.
- Design hunting strategies based on behavioural patterns to ensure safety and success.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for hunting guides, professional hunters, game rangers, and outdoor enthusiasts seeking to deepen their understanding of wildlife behaviour for sustainable and ethical hunting.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to Wildlife Behaviour and Ethical Hunting

- Overview of wildlife behaviour and its relevance to hunting.
- The role of instinct, learning, and environmental factors.
- Basic communication: visual, auditory, olfactory signals.
- Ethical hunting principles and conservation.
- Introduction to species-specific behaviours (e.g., impala, kudu, warthog).

Day 2: Sensory Abilities and Environmental Influences

- Comparative sensory abilities of prey species.
- Impact of wind, temperature, and precipitation.
- Terrain use: feeding, resting, and escape routes.
- Daily and seasonal activity patterns.
- Water sources and mineral licks as attractants.

Day 3: Social Structure and Herd Dynamics

- Herd structure: dominant males, females, juveniles.
- Alarm signals: vocalisations, body language, foot stomping.
- Breeding behaviour: territoriality, displays, mating rituals.
- Rutting behaviour and its effect on vulnerability.
- Group cohesion and split strategies.

Day 4: Feeding Ecology and Habitat Use

- Browsers vs. grazers: dietary differences.
- Feeding times and intensity.
- Habitat selection: edge effect, thickets, open plains.
- Sign reading: tracks, droppings, feeding marks.
- Water dependency and movement corridors.

Day 5: Advanced Behavioural Interpretation

- Body language: ear position, tail flicking, stance.
- Stress indicators: panting, salivating, pacing.
- Flight distance and escape trajectories.
- Assessing animal health and age through behaviour.
- Trophy assessment: horn/antler size, body condition.

Day 6: Practical Application in Hunting Scenarios

- Stalking techniques based on wind and cover.
- Using calls and decoys effectively.
- Ambush site selection and setup.
- Shot placement and follow-up procedures.
- Scenario analysis: case studies of successful hunts.

Day 7: Consolidation, Assessment, and Certification

- Review of key concepts and skills.
- Written assessment covering theory.
- Practical assessment: field identification and scenario response.
- Ethical and legal obligations after the hunt.

- Certification and further learning pathways.

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 4**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 28,200.00	R 28,200.00
1	In-House	R 36,700.00	R 36,700.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 42,300.00	R 42,300.00

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
10 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Durban, South Africa
10 Aug 2026	18 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Mauritius
11 Aug 2026	19 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Cape Town, South Africa
12 Aug 2026	20 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, UAE
13 Aug 2026	21 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
14 Aug 2026	24 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
17 Aug 2026	25 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Shenzhen, China
18 Aug 2026	26 Aug 2026	On-Campus	Dubai, 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 246421) 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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