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COURSE BROCHURE

Pre-2009 NQF Level Understanding

Law, Military Science and Security / Safety in Society

Unit Standard 257736 · NQF Level 5 · 9 Credits · 6 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course provides a clear understanding of the South African National Qualifications Framework (NQF) as it existed prior to the 2009 revisions. Learners will grasp the structure, levels, and credit system of the Pre-2009 NQF, enabling them to interpret historical qualifications and articulate their value in educational and professional contexts.

Category	Law, Military Science and Security
Subfield	Safety in Society
Unit Standard	257736
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 9 Credits
Duration	6 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS — verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Explain the structure and purpose of the Pre-2009 National Qualifications Framework.
- Distinguish between the different NQF levels and their associated descriptors.
- Interpret the credit system and its relationship to learning hours and outcomes.
- Apply knowledge of the Pre-2009 NQF to map historical qualifications to current frameworks.
- Analyze the impact of the NQF on skills development and recognition of prior learning.
- Evaluate the relevance of Pre-2009 NQF levels in contemporary educational and professional settings.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is ideal for HR professionals, training coordinators, educators, and anyone involved in skills development or recognition of prior learning who needs to interpret or reference qualifications issued under the Pre-2009 NQF.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Introduction to the NQF and Pre-2009 Context

- Overview of the NQF: its origins, objectives, and levels.
- The pre-2009 NQF: scope, implementation, and regulatory environment.
- Key documents and terminology: unit standards, qualifications, credits, and levels.
- Comparison of pre-2009 and post-2009 NQF: changes in level descriptors, credit values, and qualification types.
- The role of SAQA and ETQAs in the pre-2009 era.
- Understanding NQF level 1 to 8 in the pre-2009 context.

Day 2: Unit Standards and Qualifications in the Pre-2009 NQF

- Anatomy of a pre-2009 unit standard: ID, title, level, credits, purpose, learning outcomes, assessment criteria.
- Pre-2009 qualification types: national certificates, national diplomas, and degrees.
- The relationship between unit standards and qualifications in the pre-2009 system.
- Credit accumulation and transfer (CAT) in the pre-2009 NQF.
- Examples of pre-2009 unit standards across different fields.
- Practical exercise: reading and interpreting a pre-2009 unit standard.

Day 3: NQF Levels and Level Descriptors Pre-2009

- Detailed examination of pre-2009 NQF level descriptors (levels 1-8).
- How level descriptors define knowledge, skills, and autonomy.
- Mapping pre-2009 qualifications to NQF levels: examples.
- The concept of 'notional hours' and credit calculation in the pre-2009 system.
- Challenges in comparing pre-2009 and post-2009 levels.
- Group activity: assigning NQF levels to sample qualifications.

Day 4: Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) in the Pre-2009 NQF

- Definition and purpose of RPL in the pre-2009 context.
- The RPL policy framework: SAQA guidelines and ETQA requirements.
- Steps in the RPL process: identification, assessment, and credit award.
- Assessment methods for RPL: portfolios, challenge exams, interviews, and practical demonstrations.
- Role of assessors and moderators in RPL.
- Case studies: successful RPL applications for pre-2009 qualifications.

Day 5: Quality Assurance and ETQAs in the Pre-2009 NQF

- Overview of ETQAs: their functions and accreditation criteria.
- The quality assurance cycle: accreditation, programme approval, assessment, moderation, and certification.
- Pre-2009 assessment and moderation practices: internal vs. external moderation.
- The role of the assessor and moderator in maintaining quality.
- Documentation and record-keeping requirements for providers.
- Audit and review processes in the pre-2009 NQF.

Day 6: Transitioning from Pre-2009 to Post-2009 NQF: Implications and Practical Application

- Key changes between pre-2009 and post-2009 NQF: level descriptors, credit values, and qualification design.
- The impact on learners: credit transfer, articulation, and portability.
- The impact on providers: curriculum alignment, assessment updates, and accreditation.
- The impact on employers: recognition of pre-2009 qualifications in the workplace.
- Strategies for managing legacy qualifications: grandfathering, RPL, and upskilling.

- Practical workshop: developing a transition plan for a specific qualification.

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 **9 NQF credits** at **NQF Level 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 19,700.00	**R 19,700.00**
1	In-House	R 26,700.00	**R 26,700.00**
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 29,600.00	**R 29,600.00**

UPCOMING SESSIONS

Start	End	Method	Venue
02 Dec 2026	09 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Pretoria, South Africa
03 Dec 2026	10 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
04 Dec 2026	11 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Shenzhen, China
07 Dec 2026	14 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Kinshasa, DRC
08 Dec 2026	15 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Abu Dhabi, UAE
08 Dec 2026	15 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Bangkok, Thailand
09 Dec 2026	16 Dec 2026	On-Campus	Nairobi, Kenya
09 Dec 2026	16 Dec 2026	Online	—

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

HOW TO GET A QUOTATION OR APPLY

1. **Get an instant quotation online:** visit www.aaticd.co.za, open the page for this course (Unit Standard 257736) and click **Get A Quotation**. 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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