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COURSE BROCHURE

Slaughter Procedures and Animal Welfare

Agriculture and Nature Conservation / Nature Conservation

Unit Standard 261557 · NQF Level 4 · 5 Credits · 2 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the knowledge and skills to explain and apply humane slaughter procedures in accordance with South African animal welfare regulations. It covers the ethical, legal, and practical aspects of slaughter, ensuring compliance with national standards and promoting responsible practices in the red meat industry.

Category	Agriculture and Nature Conservation
Subfield	Nature Conservation
Unit Standard	261557
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 4 · 5 Credits
Duration	2 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Explain the legal and ethical framework for animal welfare during slaughter in South Africa.
- Identify and describe humane slaughter procedures for different livestock species.
- Apply pre-slaughter handling techniques that minimize stress and injury to animals.
- Demonstrate the correct use and maintenance of slaughter equipment to ensure animal welfare.
- Evaluate compliance with animal welfare standards during the slaughter process.
- Implement corrective actions when welfare issues are identified.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for abattoir workers, supervisors, quality assurance personnel, and anyone involved in livestock slaughter who needs to understand animal welfare requirements and proper slaughter procedures.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Foundational Principles of Slaughter Procedures and Animal Welfare

- Overview of the Meat Safety Act and relevant regulations
- Animal welfare concepts: the Five Freedoms and stress indicators
- Pre-slaughter handling: transport, lairage, and restraint
- Basic anatomy of target species (cattle, sheep, pigs)
- Stunning methods: mechanical, electrical, and gas
- Bleeding techniques and carcass hygiene
- Standard operating procedures for slaughter lines
- Record-keeping and traceability requirements

Day 2: Practical Application and Advanced Welfare Assurance

- Hands-on demonstration of captive bolt and electrical stunning
- Bleeding techniques: sticking and exsanguination
- Welfare monitoring: checking for signs of consciousness
- Emergency procedures for failed stunning
- Carcass handling and hygiene after slaughter
- Audit and inspection criteria for welfare compliance
- Case studies of welfare incidents and root cause analysis
- Continuous improvement strategies for animal welfare

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 4**.

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

No sessions are currently scheduled. Please contact us to arrange a session at a time and location that suits your team.

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 261557) 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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