



Accredited Africa Training Institute for Capacity Development

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COURSE BROCHURE

Animal Welfare Legislation and Acts Explained

Agriculture and Nature Conservation / Nature Conservation

Unit Standard 261589 · NQF Level 5 · 5 Credits · 2 Days

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course equips learners with the knowledge to identify and explain the purpose of key Acts, Codes, and associated legislation pertaining to animal welfare in South Africa. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of the legal framework that governs the humane treatment of animals, enabling them to ensure compliance within their professional roles. The course emphasizes the ethical and legal obligations of individuals and organizations towards animal welfare.

Category	Agriculture and Nature Conservation
Subfield	Nature Conservation
Unit Standard	261589
Accreditation	SAQA Accredited · NQF Level 5 · 5 Credits
Duration	2 days
Training Method	Online, On-Campus, In-House
Certificate	Issued via AATICD LMS – verifiable online

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Identify the key Acts, Codes, and legislation relevant to animal welfare in South Africa.
- Explain the purpose and scope of the Animal Protection Act, the Animal Matters Amendment Act, and related regulations.
- Apply the principles of animal welfare legislation to real-world scenarios and case studies.
- Analyze the roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders under animal welfare laws.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of current legislation in promoting animal welfare and identify areas for improvement.
- Demonstrate compliance with legal requirements in handling, transporting, and caring for animals.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- This course is designed for animal welfare inspectors, veterinary staff, animal shelter managers, law enforcement officers, and any professionals working with animals who need to understand and apply relevant legislation.
- It is also suitable for individuals seeking to enhance their knowledge of animal welfare laws for personal or professional development.

COURSE OUTLINE

Day 1: Foundations of Animal Welfare Legislation

- History and philosophy of animal welfare in South Africa.
- Overview of the Animals Protection Act (Act 71 of 1962) and its amendments.
- The Performing Animals Protection Act (Act 24 of 1935) and related legislation.
- Provincial animal welfare ordinances.
- Role of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (NSPCA).
- Definitions: animal, cruelty, neglect, and duty of care.
- Legal penalties and enforcement mechanisms.
- Case studies of contraventions and prosecutions.

Day 2: Application and Compliance in Practice

- Welfare standards for farm animals: housing, transport, and slaughter.
- The Animal Research Act (Act 35 of 1976) and ethics committees.
- Companion animal welfare: licensing, sterilization, and stray management.
- International standards (OIE, EU) and their influence on SA law.
- Reporting procedures for suspected animal cruelty.
- Developing an animal welfare policy for an organization.
- Practical exercise: auditing a facility for legislative compliance.
- Summary and assessment.

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 5**.

PRICING (PER DELEGATE, EX-VAT)

Delegates	Training Method	Price per Delegate	Total
1	Online	R 16,200.00	R 16,200.00
1	In-House	R 21,000.00	R 21,000.00
1	On-Campus (Pretoria)	R 24,300.00	R 24,300.00

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 261589) 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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