



Occupational Qualification:

Occupational Health and Safety Officer

National Occupational Certificate

I. KEY QUALIFICATION DETAILS

Detail	Description
Qualification Category	Occupational Qualification
NQF Level	NQF Level 4
SAQA Qualification ID	121929
Minimum Credits	120 Credits Credits
Estimated Duration	12–24 months depending on delivery mode

The curriculum is fully aligned with Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) standards, ensuring practical expertise for industrial environments.

II. ENTRY AND PROGRESSION

The foundational qualifications required to start this course and the subsequent academic pathways available after successful completion are detailed below.

Minimum Entry Requirements:

SAQA does not list a formal entry requirement; learners are expected to have sufficient literacy and communication skills to complete the curriculum. Some providers require an NQF Level 3 qualification or equivalent for admission.

Promotion Requirements:

Learners must successfully complete all required knowledge, practical skills and workplace experience modules as outlined in the curriculum, and then pass the external integrated summative assessment administered by the QCTO Assessment Quality Partner.

Articulation Options:

Articulates horizontally and vertically within the QCTO occupational framework, subject to approved OHS and compliance qualifications

III. COURSE CONTENT & FOCUS

The curriculum is fully aligned with Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) standards, ensuring practical expertise for

industrial environments.

Occupational Health and Safety compliance; hazard identification and risk assessment; workplace inspections; incident reporting; OHS legislation and enforcement

Core Content Areas:

Qualification prepares learners to:
Evaluate and recommend appropriate OHS risk management controls, conduct incident and accident investigations, coordinate OHS administrative functions, apply basic data analysis and reporting, and identify hazards, assess risks and implement controls.

Compulsory Modules:

The qualification is structured around compulsory Knowledge, Practical Skills and Work Experience modules (as defined in the QCTO curriculum; specific module codes are in the curriculum documentation).

Optional Specialization:

None specified by SAQA — this is a full occupational qualification with no elective streams recorded on the SAQA page.

IV. CAREER OUTLOOK

Potential job titles, relevant industries, and opportunities for professional advancement are outlined following this heading.

Career Path / Outcomes / Jobs:

Trains learners to function as Occupational Health and Safety Officer, Safety Officer, SHE Officer or Compliance Officer responsible for

monitoring, implementing, and enforcing workplace safety systems

Industry Relevance:

Equips learners to implement, monitor and manage workplace safety systems; enhances compliance with Occupational Health & Safety legislation; supports safer work environments across sectors (construction, manufacturing, mining, logistics, services).

V. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Mandatory registration costs, applicable payment schedules, and the overall fee structure for the qualification are presented in the text below.

Registration Cost:

All registration requires a **non-refundable R 950** registration deposit that forms part of the overall course fee.

Overall Fee:

Deposit: R 5000 (Full Qualification and Skill Programme Courses Only (Issuing of student Card/Number))

Payment Terms: 22 x R 1007

Total Cost: R 28104

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<https://allqs.saqa.org.za/showQualification.php?id=121929>

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OUR MANDATE

RIH Institute was established to bridge this gap. We provide accredited, practical training that directly fuels the region's most vital industries.

THE OPPORTUNITY

The Steelpoort region is the engine room of South Africa's mining sector, a global hub for platinum and chrome. This world-class industry demands a world-class workforce.

THE CHALLENGE

As identified by industry veterans, a critical gap exists for certified, high-demand artisan and technical skills. Local industry requires job-ready professionals who can immediately contribute to complex, high-stakes operations.



CREDENTIALS

Primary Accreditation Body:

Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO)

Accreditation Numbers:

09-QCTO/SDP210425073103 for Qualifies learners to function as Occupational Health & Safety Officers in organisational environments, across industries.

Trade Test Centre (TTC):
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