



# Occupational Health and Safety Practitioner (OHSPRAC)

## SAQA Qualification - Level 5

The purpose of this qualification is to prepare a learner to operate as an Occupational Health and Safety Practitioner. An Occupational Health and Safety Practitioner serves as a facilitator and advisor to employees and management regarding safety and health aspects in the workplace including the monitoring and inspecting of the workplace and the recording and investigation of incidents and accidents. They also implement and maintain Occupational Health and Safety systems to ensure a safe and healthy work environment

## Career Advancement

A qualified learner will be able to inspect workplaces and work environments to identify the occupational health and safety hazards and determine the risks associated with the work. They can facilitate and support actions to eliminate or control hazards to minimize risks in a designated work area and represent the needs of employees with respect to Occupational Health and Safety matters. They participate in the planning and implementation of operational Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems. They also monitor and continually improve the effectiveness of operational Health and Safety systems and processes.

## Curriculum Outline

- 5 Knowledge Modules (Classroom or Online)
- 9 Practical Skill Modules (At place of work)
- 6 Work Experience Modules (At place of work)



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### **Knowledge Modules: In a Classroom or Online**

- 226302001-KM-01, Fundamentals of Occupational Health and Safety, Level 2, 9 Credits.
- 226302001-KM-02, Fundamentals of Communication, Level 3, 6 Credits.
- 226302001-KM-03, Occupational Health and Safety applications, Level 4, 17 Credits.
- 226302001-KM-04, Occupational Health and Safety Management, Level 5, 38 Credits.
- 226302001-KM-05, Operations Management and Supervision, Level 5, 6 Credits.

**Total number of credits: 76**

### **Practical Skills Modules: Online and at Place of Work**

- 226302001-PM-01, Represent the needs of employees about Occupational Health and Safety matters, Level 3, 8 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-02, Inspect workplaces, identify hazards and risks, and take immediate action to ensure health and safety in the workplace, Level 3, 4 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-03, Consult with employees and raise their needs and issues with respect to Occupational Health and Safety, Level 2, 4 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-04, Inspect workplaces and environments to identify the health and safety hazards and determine the risks associated with the work, Level 4, 16 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-05, Coordinate the work activities of Occupational Health and Safety representatives, Level 4, 6 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-06, Develop a risk profile and legal register for a designated work area, Level 5, 6 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-07, Establish, maintain, and improve the health and safety documentation and reporting systems, controls and processes, Level 5, 4 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-08, Advise on the establishment, maintenance and improvement of emergency response and preparedness, Level 5, 8 Credits.
- 226302001-PM-09, Manage the effectiveness of operational Occupational Health and Safety systems, Level 5, Credits 6.

**Total number of credits: 62**

### **Work Experience**

- 226302001-WM-, Exposure to the workplace examination processes, Level 2, 12 Credits.
- 226302001-WM-02, Exposure to the processes of representing the Occupational Health and Safety needs of employees, Level 3, 4 Credits.
- 226302001-WM-03, Exposure to Occupational Risk Management processes, Level 4, 12 Credits. 226302001-WM-04, Exposure to the processes of selecting / nomination, appointing and managing Occupational Health and Safety representatives, Level 4, 8 Credits.
- 226302001-WM-05, Exposure to the processes of developing and implementing Occupational Health and Safety systems, Level 5, 48 Credits.
- 226302001-WM-06, Exposure to the processes of monitoring and improving Occupational Health and Safety systems, Level 5, 34 Credits

**Total number of credits: 118**