

SAQA Qualification Title: **Occupational Certificate: Community Development Worker**
NQF Sub-Framework/ Qualification Type: **National Certificate**
Qualification ID: **97708**
Credits: **150**
Level: **4**
1 Year Full Qualification

The Purpose of this qualification is to prepare a learner to operate as a **Community Development Worker**.

This qualification will enable you to:

- A Community Development Worker collects and provides relevant information from and to communities and builds social cohesion within the community, in order to support the development and implementation of community development initiatives and processes.

A qualified learner will be able to: Collect relevant community information and provide communities with accurate information relevant to their community development initiatives. Operate effectively in groups, teams and forums and act ethically and professionally in data collection and the coordination of forums and meetings. Communicate the fears, concerns and needs of the community effectively to the relevant institutions, structures and forums. Compile integrated community and household profiles.

Entry Requirements:

- The minimum requirement for entry into this qualification is:
NQF Level 2 with communication

Articulation options:

Horizontal articulation is possible to:

- Further Education and Training Certificate: Community Development, at NQF Level 4, SAQA Qualification ID 67509.

Vertical articulation is possible to:

- NQF Level 5 Occupational Certificate: Community Worker (Community Development Practitioner).

This qualification is made up of the following compulsory Knowledge and Practical Skill Modules:

Knowledge Modules:

- Fundamentals of Development Practice, at NQF Level 4, 25 Credits.
- Fundamentals of Sociology of Developing Societies, at NQF Level 4, 12 Credits.
- Fundamental Communication Practices, at NQF Level 4, 15 Credits.

Total number of Credits for Knowledge Modules: 52.

Practical Skill Modules:

- Collect information regarding community development needs and strengths, at NQF Level 3, 11 Credits.
- Identify the relevant groups of beneficiaries and stakeholders, at NQF Level 3, 2 Credits.
- Participate in collaborative community dialogues and engagements, at NQF Level 4, 3 Credits.
- Report progress and status of data collection to supervisor, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Execute own personal development, at NQF Level 3, 2 Credits.
- Support the process of facilitating meetings and forums, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Arrange and communicate logistics for forums and meetings/events, at NQF Level 3, 2 Credits.
- Mobilise community support for identified initiatives, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Record the minutes of community development forums and meetings, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Communicate the outcomes of forums and meetings to stakeholders, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Provide relevant and clear community development information to stakeholders, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Establish, mobilise and maintain community participation and support, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Support the identification of capacity building needs and the delivery of capacity building initiatives to community members, at NQF Level 4, 2 Credits.
- Support intervention initiatives within communities, at NQF Level 4, 6 Credits.
- Support the integration of community wellbeing indicators, at NQF Level 4, 4 Credits.
- Support alignment with legislative and policy frameworks relevant to the initiatives, at NQF Level 4, 4 Credits.

Total number of Credits for Practical Skill Modules: 50.

Work Experience Modules:

- Exposure to information collection in rural, urban, inner city or peri-urban community settings, at NQF Level 3, 16 Credits.
- Exposure to the coordination of a full range of community forums and meetings, at NQF Level 3, 12 Credits.
- Exposure to the operations of formal and informal structures, at NQF Level 4, 8 Credits.
- Exposure to community capacity building processes, at NQF Level 4, 12 Credits.

Total number of Credits for Work Experience Modules: 48.