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**SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY
REGISTERED UNIT STANDARD:**

Demonstrate tactical proficiency with a handgun

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
123513	Demonstrate tactical proficiency with a handgun		
ORIGINATOR		REGISTERING PROVIDER	
SGB Security			
QUALITY ASSURING ETOA			
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FIELD		SUBFIELD	
Field 08 - Law, Military Science and Security		Safety in Society	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NOF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	5
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LAST DATE FOR ENROLMENT		LAST DATE FOR ACHIEVEMENT	
2010-11-16		2013-11-16	

This unit standard does not replace any other unit standard and is not replaced by any other unit standard.

PURPOSE OF THE UNIT STANDARD

This unit standard applies to persons who will need to use a handgun in a tactical environment for the purpose of private or public law enforcement or in the interest of personal development.

A person credited with this unit standard will be able to:

- Demonstrate pistol craft techniques.
- Demonstrate shooting techniques in a business environment.
- Operate a handgun in a controlled, stress induced environment.
- Function as a member of a tactical team.

LEARNING ASSUMED TO BE IN PLACE AND RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING

- Communication at NQF level 02.
- 123510: Apply tactical knowledge in the use of firearms.

It is further assumed that the following unit standards relating to the firearm have been completed before attempting this unit standard:

For handgun: 117705, 119649 and 123515 or 10748

UNIT STANDARD RANGE

N/A

Specific Outcomes and Assessment Criteria:**SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1**

Demonstrate pistol craft techniques.

OUTCOME NOTES

If the learner is not able to achieve the specific outcome to the satisfaction of the assessor, he/she must not be allowed to progress any further for safety reasons.

OUTCOME RANGE

Pistol Craft refers to:

- Presentation of the handgun from holster.
- Rapid reloads.
- Immediate action drills (IAD).

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**ASSESSMENT CRITERION 1**

A draw and fire technique is demonstrated in accordance with prescribed safety requirements.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

The term technique includes the following understanding:

- The grip is completed before the gun is fired.
- The shot fired is on target.
- A safe muzzle direction is maintained.
- The finger is kept off the trigger until ready to fire.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 2

A rapid reload is demonstrated with the handgun while maintaining a safe muzzle direction and with the finger off the trigger.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 3

An immediate action drill is demonstrated while maintaining a safe muzzle direction with the finger off the trigger.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Demonstrate shooting techniques in a business environment.

OUTCOME NOTES

If the learner is not able to achieve the specific outcome to the satisfaction of the assessor, he/she must not be allowed to progress any further for safety reasons.

OUTCOME RANGE

Shooting techniques refer to:

- Close quarter shooting.
- Multiple target scenarios.
- One handed shooting.
- Left and right side use of barricades.
- Use of near and far barricades.
- Turn draw and fire.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**ASSESSMENT CRITERION 1**

Close quarter shooting skills are demonstrated in a controlled environment using live fire.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

Close quarter shooting skills must include point shooting or instinctive shooting at 3-7m.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 2

The ability to engage multiple targets with speed and accuracy is demonstrated using close quarter shooting skills.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

Multiple targets must include, but is not limited to a minimum of 3 targets at least 1m apart.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 3

Proficiency in one handed shooting is demonstrated by firing with both the left and right hand from a minimum distance of 5m.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 4

Shooting from behind a barricade is demonstrated using both left and right side techniques of barricade shooting.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

This assessment may be carried out while using two hands.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 5

The ability to turn, identify and engage a target with live fire is demonstrated while adhering to accepted safety standards.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

Turning must include 90° left side turn, 90° right side turn and 180° back to target. A safe muzzle direction must be maintained at all times.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Operate a handgun in a controlled, stress induced environment.

OUTCOME NOTES

If the learner is not able to achieve the specific outcome to the satisfaction of the assessor, he/she must not be allowed to progress any further for safety reasons.

OUTCOME RANGE

Operate must include:

- Rapid fire.
- Rapid reload.
- Immediate action drills (IAD).
- Presentation of handgun from holster.
- One handed shooting.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 1

Demonstrate rapid fire, rapid reload, immediate action drills (IAD), presentation of handgun from holster and one handed shooting skills within the prescribed time limits during six controlled scenarios.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

Controlled scenarios must include the following six:

Controlled Scenario 1 (Semi Automatic Pistol):

The pistol is presented from the holster and five (5) rounds are fired. All five (5) rounds must be fired in a time of six (6) seconds.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be five (5) metres.
- Any standing stance may be used.
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.
- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.

Controlled Scenario 2 (Semi Automatic Pistol):

The pistol is presented from the holster, you will then go to the kneeling position and fire five (5) rounds. All five (5) rounds are to be fired in a time of six (6) seconds.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be five (5) metres.
- Any kneeling position may be used.
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.

- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.

Controlled Scenario 3 (Semi Automatic Pistol):

The pistol is presented from the holster with the strong hand. The pistol will then be transferred to the weak hand/support hand and five (5) rounds will be fired. All five (5) rounds will be fired in a time of eight seconds with the weak hand/support hand.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be five (5) metres.
- Any standing stance may be used.
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.
- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.

Controlled Scenario 4 (Semi automatic pistol):

The pistol is to be presented from the holster and ten (10) rounds will be fired. All ten (10) rounds must be fired in a time of ten (10) seconds.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be ten (10) metres.
- Any standing stance may be used.
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.
- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.
- If a magazine change is required in the case of low capacity semi automatic pistols, an extra one (1) second may be added per magazine change.

Controlled Scenario 5 (Semi Automatic Pistol):

With five (5) live rounds and one (1) dummy round in each magazine, the pistol is presented and ten rounds will be fired in a time of twenty seconds carrying out the immediate action drills (IAD) and magazine change when necessary.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be 10m.
- Any standing stance may be used.
- The dummy round may not be the first or last round loaded in the magazine. (Two (2) magazines required with five (5) live rounds and one (1) dummy round in each).
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.
- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.

Controlled Scenario 6 (Semi automatic pistol):

The pistol is presented from the holster and five (5) rounds will be fired from the standing position. You will then go into the prone (1) position and fire ten rounds. All fifteen rounds must be fired in a time of twenty (20) seconds.

Notes:

- Distance to target must be 15m.
- Any standing stance may be used.
- The target size must be A4.
- The scenario is to begin with the pistol loaded to a safe carry condition applicable to normal everyday carry.
- The pistol is to be presented from a holster that is securely attached to the person and which complies with legal requirements.
- If a magazine change is required in the case of low capacity semi automatic pistols, an extra one (1) second may be added per magazine change.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Function as a member of a tactical team.

OUTCOME RANGE

Function refers to:

- Team Dynamics.
- Extraction drill and or rescue.
- Shooting while moving.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 1

The ability to fire with reasonable accuracy at a torso size target is demonstrated from distances between 5 and 15 meters while moving.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION NOTES

Acceptable practice during this assessment is to use a car tyre to simulate the torso size target.

Rationale: A car tyre placed against the backstop wall will enable both the assessor and the learner to see the point of impact by way of the dust caused by bullet impact because of the hole in the tyre.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

Reasonable accuracy means 75 percent of the shots fired must be on target.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 2

An extraction drill or hostage rescue is conducted in a live fire controlled simulation within the context of operating in a team.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION NOTES

If an actual person is going to be rescued or extracted, the rescued and or extracted person may never be in front of the muzzles of guns being used by team members and must wear a bullet proof vest for safety reasons.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION 3

The importance of team communication and the role of each team member is explained in relation to the success of an operation.

ASSESSMENT CRITERION RANGE

The team must comprise of at least five members.

UNIT STANDARD ACCREDITATION AND MODERATION OPTIONS

- An individual wishing to be assessed (including through RPL) against this Unit Standard may apply to an assessment agency, assessor or provider institution accredited by the relevant ETQA, or an ETQA that has a Memorandum of Understanding with the relevant ETQA.
- Anyone assessing a learner against this Unit Standard must be registered as an assessor with the relevant ETQA or with an ETQA that has a Memorandum of Understanding with the relevant ETQA.
- Any institution offering learning that will enable achievement of this Unit Standard or assessing this Unit Standard must be accredited as a provider with the relevant ETQA or with an ETQA that has a Memorandum of Understanding with the relevant ETQA.
- Moderation of assessment will be conducted by the relevant ETQA at its discretion.

UNIT STANDARD ESSENTIAL EMBEDDED KNOWLEDGE

- Firearm safe under adverse conditions.
- Firearm and ammunition application.
- The ability to make tactical decisions.
- Decision making skills in applying safe tactical options.

UNIT STANDARD DEVELOPMENTAL OUTCOME

N/A

UNIT STANDARD LINKAGES

N/A

Critical Cross-field Outcomes (CCFO):

UNIT STANDARD CCFO IDENTIFYING

Identify and solve problems:

- Related to tactical options for using the firearm and dealing with tactical problems.

UNIT STANDARD CCFO WORKING

Work effectively as a member of a team in respect of team dynamics in a tactical environment.

UNIT STANDARD CCFO ORGANISING

Organise and manage oneself and one`s activities responsibly and effectively:

- The handling and use of a firearm requires self-organisation and management.

UNIT STANDARD CCFO SCIENCE

Use science and technology effectively and critically:

- Related to the use of firearms as a technology.

UNIT STANDARD CCFO DEMONSTRATING

Understand the world as a set of inter-related parts of a system:

- Related to tactical choices and how those choices will have an impact on oneself, the general public and the suspect.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD:

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL	STATUS	END DATE
Core	50480	Further Education and Training Certificate: Firearm Training	Level 4	Registered	2009-11-16
Core	58696	National Certificate: Close Protection	Level 5	Registered	2010-08-16

PROVIDERS CURRENTLY ACCREDITED TO OFFER THIS UNIT STANDARD:

This list shows the current accreditations (i.e. those not past their accreditation end dates), and is the most complete record available to SAQA as of today. Some ETQAs have a lag in their recording systems for provider accreditation, in turn leading to a lag in notifying SAQA of all the providers that they have accredited to offer qualifications and unit standards, as well as any extensions to accreditation end dates. The relevant ETQA should be notified if a record appears to be missing from the list shown here.

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6. INTERNATIONAL FIREARM TRAINING ACADEMY
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