

NQF Level 2 | AgriSETA

Animal Production

Intermediate qualification in animal production, building upon foundational skills to develop more advanced livestock management and animal husbandry competencies.

120
Credits

12
Months

NQF 2
Level

 Cattle farming and animal production

Qualification Overview

The National Certificate: Animal Production (NQF Level 2) builds upon foundational animal production knowledge to provide intermediate-level skills in livestock management and animal husbandry. This qualification is designed for individuals seeking to advance their competency in animal agriculture.

Students will develop enhanced practical skills in animal care, breeding management, nutrition planning, and agricultural business practices while strengthening their communication and mathematical literacy abilities.

This qualification serves as a progression pathway from NQF Level 1 and prepares learners for more advanced roles in animal production and farm management.

Modules and Units

Module 1: Fundamental Competencies

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- Apply various communication skills within the agricultural environment.
- Apply mathematical calculations within the agricultural environment.
- Collect and collate agricultural data and recognise and report on deviations.
- Explain basic functions of the environment by recognising patterns and processes, knowing local resources and basic sustainable agricultural processes using environmental indicators.

Module 2: Agri-business

- Apply basic skills in record keeping, storage, contaminant management and associated legislation when controlling input and stock.
- Set goals and objectives related to production / conversion systems within an agricultural business.
- Apply knowledge of the marketing principles within agriculture for a specific product or service.
- Define and illustrate the gross margin statement, income statement, balance sheet and cash flow budget as well as the different cost aspects that one can find in a business.
- Describe and understand the principles of Human Resources Management as applied.
- Explain the principles and factors influencing agricultural enterprise selection and production.

Module 3: Good Agricultural Practices

- Monitor and support the implementation of food safety and quality, production, environmental and social practices and awareness within the agricultural supply chain.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the importance of water quality to agriculture and to monitor and maintain water quality using established procedures.

- Apply basic practices to conserve the environment, including natural resources.
- Select basic equipment and implements that are appropriate to a combination of activities within a single agricultural process.
- Carry out basic physical farm layout tasks including constructing rainwater harvesting and soil conservation structures in a small farm or garden environment.

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Module 4: Animal Production

- Evaluate animals externally with respect to their internal and external anatomical systems and morphology.
- Explain the basic concepts used in animal nutrition, maintaining, preserving, modifying and enhancing the nutrient value of animal feeds and follow correct on-farm feeding practices.
- Identify and monitor breeding behaviour, and pre and post-partum behaviour of farm animals.
- Harvest animal products, prepare them for processing and identify processes involved in processing of animal products.
- Identify, record and report on abnormal animal behaviour and physical abnormalities, supervise the movement and restraint of animals and apply treatment and perform basic procedures.

Module 5: Plant Production

- Produce crop whilst demonstrating an understanding of the physical and biological environment and its relationship to sustainable production.

Minimum Requirements

ABET Level 3

Language of Communication at NQF Level 1

Qualification Details

SETA

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Level 2

Credits

120 Credits

Duration

12 Months

SAQA ID

48976

Career Opportunities

Senior Farm Worker

Livestock Supervisor

Animal Production Technician

Farm Team Leader

Agricultural Coordinator

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 NQF Level 1

Animal Production



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Mixed Farming

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