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Introduction

The General Education and Training Certificate: Horticulture, is an entry level qualification for those working in the horticulture industry, especially in hospitality and tourism.

It is an occupational qualification that covers plants and their categorisation, preparing soil for planting, growing, handling and caring for plants and applying water correctly to planted areas.

This qualification introduce and consolidate world class standards of horticultural excellence to enhance South Africa as a tourist destination. The resulting spin-offs will have a positive impact on job creation and economic empowerment in the country.

The qualification offers career entry and portable skills to the broad horticultural industry and sectors within this industry.

Target Audience

The qualification is designed primarily for individuals working in parks, gardens and sports facilities within the tourism sector.

It prepares individuals for job roles in landscape construction and maintenance, amenity horticulture, arboriculture, plant propagation, sports turf maintenance, interior plant scaping, retail nurseries and floristry.

Entry Requirements

- Competency in Communication (English) at ABET Level 3.
- Competency In Numeracy at ABET Level 3.

Workplace Requirements

- Access to appropriate workplace environments.
- Active support by a mentor or supervisor.

Hospitality & Tourism

GETC: Horticulture

AgriSETA Certification

SAQA ID: 49668

NQF Level: 1

Credits: 131

Course Delivery & Assessment

We use in-classroom and in-workplace practical training, workplace observation and on-the-job coaching and mentoring to embed skills.

You will need to:

- Attend all lectures and sessions and complete practical workplace experiential learning.
- Demonstrate theoretical and practical understanding of programme content.
- Participate in and contribute in group activities.
- Compile and submit a Portfolio of Evidence (PoE).

To receive the GETC: Horticulture, Level 1, you will need to compile, submit and be found competent by constituent Assessors, Moderators and Verifiers on a Portfolio of Evidence (PoE).

Learning Outcomes

By the end of the qualification, you will be able to:

- Apply the principles of health and safety in the horticultural environment.
- Understand the structure of plants and the functions of their various components.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the necessity of water for healthy plant growth and development.
- Identify the soil types that commonly occur in landscaped areas.
- Propagate ornamental plants from seed.
- Care for ornamental seedlings.
- Plant and establish ornamental plants from containers into open ground.
- Mulch and enrich soil in established landscapes.



Course Content

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Core Modules

- Apply fertilisers to ornamental plants and landscapes
- Apply health and safety principles in horticulture
- Apply water to landscaped areas
- Care for ornamental seedlings
- Control weeds manually in plant propagation and landscaping
- Demonstrate a basic understanding of the horticultural industry
- Demonstrate an understanding of the basic structure of ornamental plants
- Demonstrate an understanding of the role and requirements of water in plants
- Identify and prepare soils for landscaped planting
- Identify and report common pests and diseases in plant propagation and landscapes
- Identify the major categories of ornamental plants
- Mow lawns in landscaped areas
- Mulch and enrich the soil of established landscaped areas
- Plant and establish ornamental plants from containers into open ground
- Propagate ornamental plants from seed
- Prune and shape ornamental shrubs
- Utilise growth media for ornamental plant containers

Fundamental Modules

- Analyse cultural products and processes as representations of shape, space and time
- Collect, analyse, use and communicate numerical data
- Critically analyse how mathematics is used in social, political and economic relations
- Understand and use the numbering system
- Demonstrate knowledge of issues relating to HIV and AIDS
- Describe and represent objects and the environment in terms of shape, space, time and motion
- Engage in a range of speaking and listening interactions for a variety of purposes
- Explore and use a variety of strategies to learn
- Read and respond to a range of text types
- Use maps to access and communicate information concerning routes, location and direction
- Work with numbers in various contexts
- Write for a variety of different purposes

Elective Modules

- Apply basic tree climbing principles
- Backfill, compact and replant grass sods and plants in irrigation trenches
- Create an awareness of environmental protection
- Establish an area of turf with grass sods
- Excavate irrigation trenches in established landscapes
- Handle floristry plant material
- Install irrigation piping in trenches
- Maintain and conserve flora in nature areas
- Maintain optimal environmental conditions for floristry arrangements
- Treat floristry plant material



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