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**SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY (SAQA)**

In accordance with Regulation 24(c) of the National Standards Bodies Regulations of 28 March 1998, the Standards Generating Body (SGB) for

SPECIAL COMBAT CAPABILITIES

registered by Organising Field 08 – Law, Military Science and Security, publishes the following Qualification and Unit Standards for public comment.

This notice contains the titles, fields, sub-fields, NQF levels, credits, and purpose of the Qualification and Unit Standards. The full Qualification and Unit Standards can be accessed via the SAQA web-site at www.saqa.org.za. Copies may also be obtained from the Directorate of Standards Setting and Development at the SAQA offices, SAQA House, 1067 Arcadia Street, Hatfield, Pretoria.

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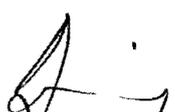
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SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

QUALIFICATION:**National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities**

SAQA QUAL ID		QUALIFICATION TITLE	
78263		National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
QUALIFICATION TYPE	FIELD	SUBFIELD	
National Higher Certificate	8 - Law, Military Science and Security	Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	MINIMUM CREDITS	NQF LEVEL	QUAL CLASS
Undefined	123	Level 5	Regular-Unit Stds Based

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

This qualification replaces:

Qual ID	Qualification Title	NQF Level	Min Credits	Replacement Status
48879	National Diploma: South African Special Forces Operations	Level 5	297	Will occur as soon as 78263 is registered

PURPOSE AND RATIONALE OF THE QUALIFICATION**Purpose:**

The purpose of this qualification is to prepare the learner to participate as a team member in special operations as conducted by the South African National Defence Force Special Forces or the South African Police Services Special Task Force. The nature of these special operations requires a member to possess a broad range of specialised skills that allows for flexibility and individual independence during the execution of operations.

The fundamental and core component of this qualification allow for the mastering of competencies which are common to both the South African National Defence Force and the South African Police Services Special Forces, while the elective component allows the learner to specialise as a South African National Defence Force Special Forces Operator or South African Police Services Special Task Forces operator.

Recipients of this qualification will be able to:

- Apply special weapons and tactics.
- Apply air infiltration techniques.
- Perform building assaults.
- Sustain themselves away from base.

Rationale:

This qualification meets the needs of the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) Special Forces and the South African Police Services (SAPS) Special Task Force by providing standards against which operators can be trained. This qualification meets the needs of society by providing competent operators who are able to participate in special military/policing

operations thereby contributing to the safety and security of the broader public and the sovereignty of the Republic of South Africa.

The majority of the candidates for this qualification are likely to have received SANDF or SAPS basic occupational training and have a minimum of one to five years experience as a soldier in the SANDF or police officer in the SAPS. This qualification will allow learners further entry to a career in the SANDF or SAPS by providing access to further occupational and developmental learning and training in the SAPS or SANDF at NQF Level 5 and 6.

RECOGNIZE PREVIOUS LEARNING?

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LEARNING ASSUMED IN PLACE

It is assumed that the learner attempting this qualification is competent in:

- Communication at NQF Level 4.
- Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 4.

Recognition of Prior Learning:

This Qualification and the entire Fundamental, Core and Elective Unit Standards associated with it can be achieved by any learner through the Recognition of Prior Learning, which includes learning outcomes achieved through formal, informal and non-formal learning and work experience. Learner and assessor will jointly decide on methods to determine prior learning and competence in the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes implicit in the qualification and the associated unit standards.

This Recognition of Prior Learning may allow for:

- Gaining of credits for unit standards in this qualification.
- Obtaining this qualification in whole.

All Recognition of Prior Learning is subject to quality assurance by the relevant ETQA or an ETQA that has a Memorandum of Understanding with the relevant ETQA.

Access to the Qualification:

There is open access to this Qualification.

QUALIFICATION RULES

The Qualification consists of a Fundamental, a Core and an Elective Component.

To be awarded the Qualification learners are required to obtain a minimum of 123 credits as detailed below.

Fundamental Component:

The Fundamental Component consists of Unit Standards to the value of 24 credits all of which are compulsory.

Core Component:

The Core Component consists of Unit Standards to the value of 63 credits all of which are compulsory.

Elective Component:

The Elective Component consists of a number of specialisations each with its own set of Unit Standards. Learners are to choose a specialisation area and complete unit standards totalling at least 36 credits from those listed for the specialisation. The specialisation areas are:

South African National Defence Force:

- Operate small craft in closed waters.
- Perform minor demolition tasks.
- Participate in tactical air operations.
- Participate in offensive assaults during special operations.

South African Police Services Special Task Force:

- Navigate on land by making use of basic navigational aids.
- Cross obstacles tactically.
- Breach a target tactically.
- Move tactically on foot in a team.
- Demonstrate an understanding of defensive operations.

EXIT LEVEL OUTCOMES

1. Apply specialist weapons and tactics during special operations.
2. Apply air infiltration techniques.
3. Perform building assaults.
4. Sustain oneself away from base.

Range: Away from base includes but is not limited to in the wild, in unfamiliar urban and rural areas.

Critical Cross-Field Outcomes:

This qualification promotes, in particular, the following Critical Cross-Field Outcomes:

1. Identifying and solving problems in which responses display that responsible decisions using critical and creative thinking have been made when:
 - Legislation is interpreted and applied when selecting and engaging targets during special operations.
 - Emergencies are identified and the appropriate corrective action taken during a static line square parachute descent.
 - Obstacles encountered during building assaults, are analysed and overcome in order to ensure mobility and achievement of the mission.
2. Working effectively with others as a member of a team, group, organisation, and community during:
 - Assaults on buildings.
 - Special operations in rural environments.
 - Air infiltration.
 - Survival situations.
3. Organising and managing oneself and one's activities responsibly and effectively when:
 - Personal and team equipment is prepared for special operations.
 - Preparing for parachute descents.

4. Communicate effectively using visual, mathematical and/or language in the modes of oral and/or written persuasion when:

- Using hand signal to communicate within the team during special operations.
- Using specialised signal equipment to communicate with other role players.
- Using pyrotechnic signals to convey messages to other parties.
- Interpreting verbal or written orders for the execution of special operations.

5. Collecting, analysing, organising and critically evaluating information to better understand and explain:

- Opposing force behaviour while observing the target.
- The equipment that must be prepared and packed for a given special operation.
- Obstacles encountered during special operations.

6. Using science and technology effectively and critically, showing responsibility towards the environment and health of others when:

- Using night vision equipment to observe terrain or targets.
- Using radio equipment to communicate during special operations.
- Using parachuting, abseiling and rappelling equipment during air infiltration.
- Taking innocent bystanders or non-combatants into account when selecting and engaging targets during special operations.

ASSOCIATED ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Associated Assessment Criteria for Exit Level Outcome 1:

- The relevant legislation is understood and applied within special operations.
- The use of specialist weapons during special operations is demonstrated.
- The applicable tactics and techniques are demonstrated during simulated offensive and defensive special operations.

Associated Assessment Criteria for Exit Level Outcome 2:

- Infiltration with personal equipment by means of a static line square parachute is demonstrated.
- The knots and anchor systems are applied to ensure a successful abseiling and rappelling descent.
- The various infiltration and withdrawal techniques using helicopters are demonstrated.

Associated Assessment Criteria for Exit Level Outcome 3:

- Assault orders are interpreted to ensure the individual and team is working toward the achievement of the mission.
- Target buildings are approached using multiple methods of approach, while maintaining operational security and the element of surprise.
- Immediate action drills are performed individually and within the team during engagements with opposing forces.
- Target buildings are penetrated as a member of a team by making use of doors or ground floor windows.
- Rooms within the target building are cleared through the application of established team drills and tactics.

Associated Assessment Criteria for Exit Level Outcome 4:

- Natural resources are identified and the associated dangers are interpreted in order to ensure survival.
- Water is located and purified using natural resources within the area of interest in order to prevent dehydration.

- Food is gathered or trapped for human consumption using aids found in the area of interest.
- The ability to navigate on a heading and arrive at a pre-determined point in the area of interest is using only natural signs and indicator's is demonstrated.
- Improvised internationally recognised signs are used to communicate with aircraft or search parties.

Integrated Assessment:

As assessment practices must be open, transparent, fair, valid and reliable as well as ensuring that no learner is disadvantaged in any way whatsoever, an integrated assessment approach is incorporated into the qualification. Learning, teaching and assessment are inextricably linked. Whenever possible, the assessment of knowledge, skills and attitudes and values shown in the unit standards should be integrated.

A variety of methods must be used in assessment and tools and activities must be appropriate to the context in which the learner is working. Where it is not possible to assess the learner in the workplace or on-the-job, simulations, case studies, role plays and other similar techniques should be used to provide a context appropriate to the assessment.

The term 'Integrated Assessment' implies that theoretical and practical components should be assessed together. During Integrated Assessments the assessor should make use of Formative and Summative Assessment methods and assess combinations of practical, applied, foundational and reflective competencies.

Assessors should assess and give credit for the evidence of learning that has already been acquired through formal, informal and non-formal learning and work experience. Assessment should ensure that all Specific Outcomes, Essential Embedded Knowledge and Critical Cross-Field Outcomes are assessed. The assessment of Critical Cross-Field outcomes should be integrated with the assessment of the Specific Outcomes and Essential Embedded Knowledge.

INTERNATIONAL COMPARABILITY

Best Practice:

The Military and Special Forces of the following countries were identified as applying best practice in the training of Special Force operators:

- Australia: Special Air Service.
- Belgium: Para Commandos.
- Brazil: The Gruemec.
- Germany: The Kommando Spezialkrafte.
- India: The Para Commandos.
- Israel: The Sayeret Matkal.
- France: The French Foreign Legion and Commando Hubert.
- Jordan: The Royal Special Forces.
- Netherlands: The Korps Kommandotroepen.
- Oman: The Sultans Special Forces.
- Portugal: The Grupo de Operacoes Especiais and the Army Commandos.
- Russia: Spetnaz.
- United Kingdom: Special Air Service and Special Boat Squadron.
- United States of America: Delta Force, Navy Sea, Air and Land (SEALS) and the Marine Reconnaissance Battalions.

The police or para-military forces of the following countries were identified as implementing best practice in the training of their operators:

- France: GIGN and RAID.

- Germany: GSG9.
- Jordan: SOU17.
- Malaysia: The Pasukan Gerakan Khas PDRM.
- United States of America: Special Weapons and Tactics Teams.

The comparison was only conducted on the initial training conducted by the various countries. Due to the sensitive nature of these forces and the operations that they participate in, the finer detail regarding their training, tactics and techniques are not readily available or open for public viewing. The information given in this comparison respects that confidentiality.

One would generally find that after the initial training operators specialise in specific environments such as land, sea or air operations. This is also the context in which the National Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities, Level 5 was generated. None of the above-mentioned countries have formal qualifications for any of the related training.

Findings:

It was found that the content of all special forces training is similar. The environment, tactics, equipment and techniques used do, however, vary between countries and organisations within a country. In terms of the military Special Forces the following training was found to be common throughout:

- General Fitness and Perseverance.
- Self Defence Techniques.
- Multilingualism.
- Basic Medical Emergency Skills.
- Navigation (conventional/electronic).
- Sharp shooting rifle and pistol.
- Survival techniques.
- Obstacle crossing and target penetration.
- Night operation capability.
- Basic demolition techniques.
- Mine awareness.
- Improvisation techniques.
- Establish/maintain communications.
- Still and video photography.
- Apply surveillance equipment.
- Camouflage, conceal and deception.
- Reconnaissance and surveillance.
- Parachuting.
- Small boat handling in closed waters.
- Foot movement rural and urban.
- Vehicle movement rural and urban.
- Combat drills rural and urban.
- Escape and evasion.

In terms of police or para-military forces, the following was found to be common throughout the various countries:

- General Fitness and Perseverance.
- Self Defence Techniques.
- Sharp shooting rifle and pistol.
- Obstacle crossing.
- Target penetration.
- Night operation capability.

- Basic demolition techniques.
- Improvisation techniques.
- Establish/maintain communications.
- Surveillance.
- Camouflage, conceal and deception.
- Vehicle and foot movement in rural and urban areas.
- Combat drills.

Conclusion:

It has been found that the National Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities, Level 5 compares very favourably with established international special forces training in that the content and approaches to training are very similar.

ARTICULATION OPTIONS

This qualification lends itself to both vertical and horizontal articulation possibilities.

Horizontal articulation is possible with the following qualifications:

- ID 63229: National Diploma: Bomb Disposal, NQF Level 5.
- ID 58696: National Certificate: Close Protection, NQF Level 5.
- ID 60329: National Certificate: Statutory Intelligence Practice, NQF Level 5.

Vertical articulation is possible with the following qualifications:

- ID 49783: National Diploma: Joint and Multi-National Operations, NQF Level 6.
- ID 61729: National Diploma: Policing, NQF Level 6.
- ID 49102: National Diploma: Statutory Intelligence Practice: Analysis, NQF Level 6.
- ID 49100: National Diploma: Statutory Intelligence Practice: Counter-intelligence, NQF Level 6.
- ID 49104: National Diploma: Statutory Intelligence Practice: Collection, NQF Level 6.

MODERATION OPTIONS

- Anyone assessing a learner or moderating the assessment of a learner against this qualification must be registered as an assessor with the relevant Education, Training, and Quality Assurance (ETQA) Body.
- Any institution offering learning that will enable the achievement of this qualification must be accredited as a provider with the relevant ETQA.
- Assessment and moderation of assessment will be overseen by the relevant ETQA according to the ETQA's policies and guidelines for assessment and moderation; in terms of agreements reached around assessment and moderation between ETQA's (including professional bodies); and in terms of the moderation guideline detailed immediately below.
- Moderation must include both internal and external moderation of assessments at exit points of the qualification, unless ETQA policies specify otherwise. Moderation should also encompass achievement of the competencies described in both individual unit standards and the integrated competencies described in this qualification.
- Anyone wishing to be assessed against this qualification may apply to be assessed by any assessment agency, assessor, or provider institution that is accredited by the relevant ETQA.

CRITERIA FOR THE REGISTRATION OF ASSESSORS

For an applicant to register as an assessor, the applicant needs:

- A minimum of two (2) years practical, relevant occupational experience.
- A relevant qualification of NQF Level or higher.
- To be registered as an assessor with the relevant ETQA.

NOTES

This qualification replaces qualification 48879, "National Diploma: South African Special Forces Operations", Level 5, 297 credits.

UNIT STANDARDS

	ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE	LEVEL	CREDITS
Fundamental	242824	Apply leadership concepts in a work context	Level 4	12
Fundamental	120487	Use firearms in a military and law enforcement environment	Level 5	12
Core	376365	Perform abseiling from fixed platforms	Level 4	5
Core	376367	Perform as a member of an assault team during building assaults	Level 5	15
Core	376364	Perform rope work from rotary wing aircraft	Level 5	3
Core	376360	Perform rural security operations	Level 5	18
Core	376441	Perform static line square parachute descents	Level 5	5
Core	376442	Track a person	Level 5	5
Core	376368	Use natural resources to survive emergency situations	Level 5	12
Elective	376366	Cross obstacles tactically	Level 4	4
Elective	376362	Demonstrate an Understanding of Defensive Urban Operations	Level 4	5
Elective	376420	Navigate with a hand held compass	Level 4	2
Elective	376380	Operate small craft in closed waters	Level 4	8
Elective	376421	Pack a static line square main parachute	Level 4	2
Elective	376401	Use primary weapons for medium to high-risk assault team operations	Level 4	10
Elective	376400	Interpret a topographical map for navigational purposes	Level 5	2
Elective	376440	Perform as a member of an offensive assault team during special operations	Level 5	5
Elective	376363	Perform as a team member during tactical air operations	Level 5	7
Elective	376422	Perform descents with a round parachute utilising a static line as a means of opening the parachute	Level 5	0
Elective	376361	Perform minor demolition tasks	Level 5	16

LEARNING PROGRAMMES RECORDED AGAINST THIS QUALIFICATION

None



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UNIT STANDARD:**Perform rural security operations**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376360	Perform rural security operations		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	18

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Prepare personal and team equipment for rural operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Participate in rural patrols.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Perform individual battle craft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Participate in special rural operations.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Core	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:**Perform minor demolition tasks**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376361	Perform minor demolition tasks		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	16

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115457	Conduct basic demolition tasks	Level 5	16	Will occur as soon as 376361 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Identify explosives and accessories.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Apply safety regulations when performing demolition tasks.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Apply the theory of explosives.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Perform a minor demolition task.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Apply mine awareness.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:***Demonstrate an Understanding of Defensive Urban Operations***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376362	Demonstrate an Understanding of Defensive Urban Operations		
ORIGINATOR	PROVIDER		
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD	SUBFIELD		
8 - Law, Military Science and Security	Sovereignty of the State		
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	5

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Discuss defensive urban operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Discuss command and control of defensive urban operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Prepare personal equipment for use in defensive urban operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Discuss the role of the Hostage Negotiation Team.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Demonstrate securing hostages and hostage takers.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:**Perform as a team member during tactical air operations**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376363	Perform as a team member during tactical air operations		
ORIGINATOR	PROVIDER		
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD	SUBFIELD		
8 - Law, Military Science and Security	Sovereignty of the State		
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	7

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115462	Conduct tactical air operations	Level 5	7	Will occur as soon as 376363 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Explain the theory of tactical air operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Participate in parachute operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Establish landing zones for fixed wing aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Establish a parachute drop zone.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Establish a landing zone for rotary wing aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 6

Use radio terminology to guide aircraft during tactical air operations.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective 78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:***Perform rope work from rotary wing aircraft***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376364	Perform rope work from rotary wing aircraft		
ORIGINATOR	PROVIDER		
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD	SUBFIELD		
8 - Law, Military Science and Security	Sovereignty of the State		
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	3

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Apply safety aspects.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Conduct rope work operations.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Core	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:**Perform abseiling from fixed platforms**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376365	Perform abseiling from fixed platforms		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	5

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Apply the relevant safety aspects.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Apply rope work knots in day light and dark conditions.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Utilise anchor systems in day light and dark conditions.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Demonstrate abseiling in day light and dark conditions, with and without equipment from a minimum height of ten meters.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Core	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:***Cross obstacles tactically***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376366	Cross obstacles tactically		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	4

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Analyse the types of obstacles found in the urban environment.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Apply scaling techniques to negotiate obstacles.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Demonstrate the application of ladders to negotiate obstacles.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Discuss the influence of protection systems.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:*Perform as a member of an assault team during building assaults*

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376367	Perform as a member of an assault team during building assaults		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	15

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Demonstrate the methods of approach.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Interpret a target study on a building.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Interpret assault orders.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Prepare individual and team equipment for building assaults.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Demonstrate penetration techniques.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 6

Demonstrate clearance procedures.

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UNIT STANDARD:***Use natural resources to survive emergency situations***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376368	Use natural resources to survive emergency situations		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	12

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Prepare for an expedition into an area of interest.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Utilize living natural resources to aid survival in accordance with organisational policy.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Manage water resources to aid survival in accordance with organisational policy.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Communicate during emergency situations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Navigate using natural features and improvised aids.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 6

Apply natural resources to construct improvised aids to enhance survival.

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UNIT STANDARD:**Operate small craft in closed waters**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376380	Operate small craft in closed waters		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	8

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115464	Apply small craft in closed waters	Level 4	8	Will occur as soon as 376380 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Demonstrate boatmanship knowledge of handling a small craft in closed waters.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Interpret the influence of closed water environments when utilizing small craft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Plan and conduct a river crossing.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Operate an inflatable boat on closed waters.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Operate a kayak on closed waters.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



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UNIT STANDARD:***Interpret a topographical map for navigational purposes***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376400	Interpret a topographical map for navigational purposes		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	2

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115468	Interpret a topographical map for navigational purposes	Level 4	2	Will occur as soon as 376400 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Select a matching topographical map of an area of interest for navigational purposes.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Interpret map symbols as indicated in the map legend.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Convert real distance to distances relating to the scale of the map in use.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Utilise the coordinate system on the chosen map to indicate a surface position.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Describe the relationship between true north and magnetic north and its influence on navigation.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 6

Interpret the relief of a topographical map.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 7

Plan a route through accessible terrain.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 8

Prepare a topographical map for outdoor use.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:***Use primary weapons for medium to high-risk assault team operations***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376401	Use primary weapons for medium to high-risk assault team operations		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	10

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115319	Use primary weapons for medium to high-risk assault team operations	Level 4	10	Will occur as soon as 376401 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Use a pistol competently and effectively in medium to high-risk assault operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Use an assault rifle competently and effectively in medium to high-risk operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Use a shotgun competently and effectively in medium to high-risk operations.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:**Navigate with a hand held compass**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376420	Navigate with a hand held compass		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	2

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

This unit standard replaces:

US ID	Unit Standard Title	NQF Level	Credits	Replacement Status
115465	Use a hand held compass for navigational purposes	Level 4	2	Will occur as soon as 376420 is registered

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Describe the principles of operation of a magnetic hand held compass.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Describe the functions of the different components of a compass.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Take a magnetic bearing of a distant object with a magnetic hand held compass.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Determine the compass error.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Maintain a hand held magnetic compass.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective 78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:***Pack a static line square main parachute***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376421	Pack a static line square main parachute		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 4	2

New NQF Level: NQF Level 04

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Identify the components and equipment required to pack a static line square main parachute.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Inspect the static line square main parachute prior to packing.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Pack a static line square main parachute.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Administer the packing process.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:

Perform descents with a round parachute utilising a static line as a means of opening the parachute

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376422	Perform descents with a round parachute utilising a static line as a means of opening the parachute		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	0

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Prepare parachuting equipment.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Apply drills and procedures in the aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Conduct a para-exit from an aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Apply canopy control with a round parachute.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Apply landing and post landing procedures.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:***Perform as a member of an offensive assault team during special operations***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376440	Perform as a member of an offensive assault team during special operations		
ORIGINATOR		PROVIDER	
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD		SUBFIELD	
8 - Law, Military Science and Security		Sovereignty of the State	
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	5

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Discuss offensive urban operations.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Demonstrate the defence of a room in a building.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Demonstrate ambush/counter-ambush drills.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Demonstrate street battle drills.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Elective	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:***Perform static line square parachute descents***

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376441	Perform static line square parachute descents		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	5

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Prepare a dual assembly static line parachuting system.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Perform drills and procedures relating to the aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Perform a static line square parachute exit from an aircraft.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Apply canopy control on a static line square parachute.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 5

Perform landing and post landing procedures.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 6

Apply safety procedures during parachuting.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Core	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5



SOUTH AFRICAN QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

UNIT STANDARD:**Track a person**

SAQA US ID	UNIT STANDARD TITLE		
376442	Track a person		
ORIGINATOR			PROVIDER
SGB Special Combat Capabilities			
FIELD			SUBFIELD
8 - Law, Military Science and Security			Sovereignty of the State
ABET BAND	UNIT STANDARD TYPE	NQF LEVEL	CREDITS
Undefined	Regular	Level 5	5

New NQF Level: NQF Level 05

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

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 1

Identify a spoor.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 2

Interpret spoor.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 3

Demonstrate anti-tracking.

SPECIFIC OUTCOME 4

Demonstrate tactical tracking.

QUALIFICATIONS UTILISING THIS UNIT STANDARD

	ID	QUALIFICATION TITLE	LEVEL
Core	78263	National Higher Certificate: Special Combat Capabilities	Level 5