

BitSafe Training Programme

The safe handling of liquid bitumen remains a priority within the bituminous products industry. Sabita has commissioned the development of a training programme called **BitSafe** in order to support member's goals to realize their own corporate policies and objectives on worker wellness.

The course has been designed in a modular format which allows for short interventions of approximately two hours, thereby minimizing the impact on operations. The course consists of 13 training modules which covers all the activities normally associated with the handling of bituminous binders.

<i>Module 1 (a):</i>	<i>Understanding the industry</i>
<i>Module 1 (b):</i>	<i>The Certification Process</i>
<i>Module 2 (a):</i>	<i>Hazards: General</i>
<i>Module 2 (b):</i>	<i>Hazards: Fire Prevention</i>
<i>Module 3:</i>	<i>Health and safety awareness</i>
<i>Module 4:</i>	<i>Reducing the Risk</i>
<i>Module 5:</i>	<i>Treatment of Bitumen Burns</i>
<i>Module 6:</i>	<i>Our Environment</i>
<i>Module 7:</i>	<i>Loading of Liquid bitumen</i>
<i>Module 8:</i>	<i>Transport of Bitumen</i>
<i>Module 9:</i>	<i>Sampling and Testing</i>
<i>Module 10:</i>	<i>Storage</i>
<i>Module 11:</i>	<i>Disposal of Bitumen Waste</i>
<i>Module 12:</i>	<i>Application of Bituminous Binders</i>

The implementation of the BitSafe Course is done through the recruitment and training of selected employees of Sabita member companies as trainers. The trainers will be required to conduct the training at their respective places of work. The trainers will have to undergo a 3 day "train-the-trainer" course which will be run by the Asphalt Academy on behalf of Sabita. The trainers will have the support of training material which will consist of:

Trainer's manual covering all the modules
PowerPoint presentations
Introductory DVD's
Posters

Each member company are encouraged to train all their employees within a two year period. We must remind all Employers that in terms of the Occupational Health and Safety Act it is a prerequisite for all employees to undergo induction training **prior** to the execution of their tasks. After each **BitSafe** module, the learner will be required to be assessed by the trainer to ensure that they have a clear understanding of the course content and are competent to conduct the respective activities in a safe manner.

Certification will be issued jointly by Sabita and the Asphalt Academy to all candidates who successfully complete all the modules within a 2 year period.

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