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WHAT IS AT(SA)?



AT(SA) is a **competency-based** **accountancy qualification** and membership designation offered by SAICA.



It's SAICA's entry to mid-level designation that helps you move from being unskilled and unqualified to being a **respected accountancy professional**.



It promotes the theory and practice of accountancy and offers a **solid foundation in accounting, finance and business**.



SAICA is a SAQA registered Professional Body and a Quality Assurance Partner to the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO). Qualifications are quality assured by SAICA to meet **local and global standards** and workplace needs.

2.

YOU CAN JOIN AT(SA) IN 2 WAYS:



Route 1: Qualifications

Qualifications Available

- **Level 3 Certificate:** Accounting Technician NQF level 3 (Mandatory)
- **Level 4 Further Education and Training Certificate:** Accounting technician NQF level 4
- **Level 5 Accounting NQF level 5** (Mandatory units and 2 optional pairs)

Customised Qualifications:

- Local Government Accounting Qualification (LGAQ)
- Public Sector Accounting Qualifications (PSAQ)



Route 2: Professional Membership



Note: You don't have to have an AT(SA) qualification to be a member. Your prior learning and experience enables you to access the accountancy profession at the right level.

Academic Requirements

- Successful completion of AT(SA)
- Certificate Accounting Technician NQF level 3, 4 or 5 or equivalent qualification
- Professional experience from 12 months related work experience to more.

Registering for the Certificate: Accounting Technician is simple:

- Be competent in language, literacy, communication and mathematical literacy
- Undertake an initial assessment with the accredited training provider
- NQF Level 4 or equivalent

- For SAICA AT(SA) Funded Skills Initiatives the minimum requirements for admission is Matric with 50% on both English and Maths

3.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS



AS A MEMBER OF AT(SA) YOU ARE PART OF A VIBRANT SAICA COMMUNITY WITH ACCESS TO:

- Solid network of business professionals
- A strong network of like-minded people
- Keeping abreast of technical developments
- Career mobility and recognition
- Relevant and current skills
- Increased professional development & Credibility as an accounting officer

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ROLES YOU CAN OCCUPY WITH AT(SA)



Accounts Clerk



Junior accountant



Bookkeeper



Finance & accounting manager



Tax practitioner



Commissioner of oaths

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WHY BECOME AN ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN?



1. Quality and rigor of qualification
2. Get practical, useable skills
3. Flexible learning methods
4. Credibility at work
5. Recognition of prior learning
6. Life-long learning
7. Career mobility

