

Fasset Learnerships: Local Government Accounting Certificate (LGAC) Learnership



Professional Body:	Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)
Learnership Title:	Local Government Accounting Certificate (LGAC) Learnership
Learnership Code:	01/Q010026/00/120/3
NQF Level:	3

This learnership is based on a qualification awarded by the AAT. In South Africa the AAT works through AAT(SA). This is a joint partnership between The South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA), South Africa's top accountancy body, and the AAT, the leading international body promoting the skills and recognition of accounting technicians. AAT(SA) is the premier professional body in South Africa dedicated to the education, development, regulation and support of accounting technicians. We also raise the competence and professionalism of our members through continuing professional development – paving the way for career advancement and raising standards of performance in the workplace.

Accounting technicians work in all sectors of the economy, including accountancy practice, industry and commerce, and the public sector. However, the LGAC Learnership is specifically aimed at learners who are employed in Local Government. The LGAC level falls below chartered accountancy level and is an ideal entry point for those wanting to begin a career in local government accounting.

Learnership Information

There are no formal entry requirements in terms of qualifications, but learners must have a good level of literacy and numeracy and must be able to complete assessments in English. Learners must either already be employed in a relevant Local Government finance role or be employed under the conditions of the learnership in order to participate in this learnership.

Structure

The LGAC Learnership is registered at level 3 on the National Qualifications Framework. It leads on to the AAT (SA) Accounting Qualification, which is registered at level 5 on the NQF. It also leads to membership of AAT(SA) and further details of this are shown at <http://www.aatsa.org.za/members/>

The learnership consists of one level which covers five units:

Syllabus

This learnership covers the following areas:

- accounting – including recording income & receipts, and making & recording payments
- working with computers
- professional ethics
- accounting work skills – this includes local government policy and performing effectively in the workplace i.e. basic health and safety, communication skills, teamworking

Registration and assessment

Learners need to find if their municipality is involved in the programme. If the course is available in the department, there are 3 simple steps to sign up. Learners should:

- speak to their line manager and appointed LGAC course coordinator to discuss why they want to do it and their commitment to seeing it through, and to gain approval
- attend the induction session to get more information
- complete the learner registration form to formally confirm your place on the course, and provide a copy of their ID document.

Duration of the Learnership

The duration of this learnership is 12 months.

The learnership is completed once the learner has been formally assessed by simulations set centrally by the AAT and assessed by the Approved Assessment Centre. Once learners have been declared competent in all appropriate units, they will be awarded the LGAC and will have completed the learnership.

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