



SNAKE AWARENESS, FIRST AID FOR SNAKEBITE & VENOMOUS SNAKE HANDLING COURSES

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WHAT IS COVERED IN THE ON-SITE COURSE?

**Spider Bite and Scorpion Sting First Aid
Treatment**

Snake Behaviour and Biology

Snake Identification

How to deal with Snake Encounters

Myths and Superstitions

Prevention of Snakebite

First Aid for Snakebite

Discussion on the Use of Antivenom

Discussion on Medical Treatment of Snakebite



UR clients include the likes of Sasol, Eskom, Department of Water Affairs, Umgeni Water, Master Drilling, Group 5, Anglo American, De Beers, Wilderness Safaris, Singita, Wind and Solar Farms, Siemens, Cape Nature and various mines and construction companies throughout Africa.

WHY USE THE AFRICAN SNAKEBITE INSTITUTE?

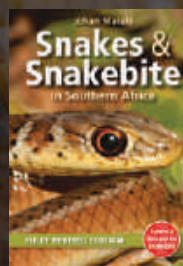
THE African Snakebite Institute is the leading training provider of professional snake awareness, first aid for snakebite and Venomous snake handling in Africa.

We offer training to corporate clients across various industries, including mining, solar and wind farms, government departments, construction companies, game lodges, anti-poaching units and hospitals across the continent.

OUR courses are presented by Johan Marais, Luke Kemp, Sake van Wyk or Willem Van Zyl.



Johan Marais is one of Africa's leading herpetologists with over 40 years of experience. Johan is the most prominent author of snake books in Africa and has written the best-sellers; *A Complete Guide to Snakes of Southern Africa*, *Snakes and Snakebite in Southern Africa* and *First Aid for Snakebite*, to mention just a few.

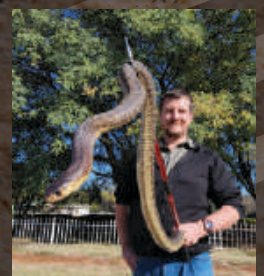


Luke Kemp is a keen herpetologist and photographer who has been working for the African Snakebite Institute for more than four years and, in addition to presenting courses, develops much of the ASI course material and does the identification of snakes from all over Africa on the ASI App. He is also co-authoring a new a book with Johan on the Reptiles & Amphibians of southern Africa.



Sake van Wyk has been associated with the African Snakebite Institute for many years and has been trained by Johan Marais. He has presented Snake Awareness, First Aid for Snakebite and Venomous Snake Handling training to various companies and institutions throughout South Africa. He is a keen herpetologist and also an avid reptile photographer.

Willem Van Zyl is an experienced snake handler, wildlife photographer and wilderness first responder who has been working with the African Snakebite Institute for the last five years. He has done many public and corporate Snake Awareness and Venomous Snake Handling courses. Willem is a software developer and assists with the ASI website, and created our hugely popular free App ASI Snakes.

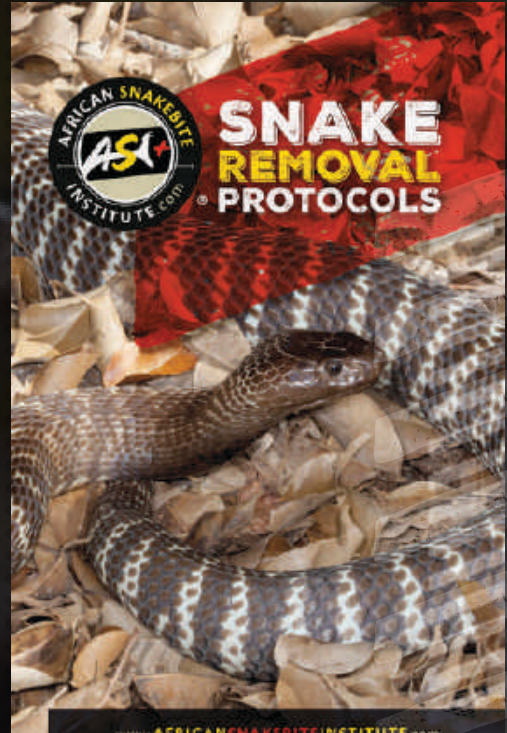


ACCREDITATION



Our safe snake handling protocols were developed by Johan Marais while working as curator at some of Africa's leading snake parks and as a result of visits to various reptile parks and research facilities in the USA, Mexico, U.K., Spain, France, The Netherlands, Belgium, China, Singapore, Thailand, Australia and various African countries.

Our course is registered with both the HPCSA (Health Professions Council of South Africa) - registered health professionals earn 4 CPD points, and the SAIOSH (*South African Institute of Occupational Safety and Health*) and registered participants receive 2 CPD points. It is also registered with the PCIPC (*Pest Control Industry Professional Council*) and registered members receive 3 CPD points when completing this course. Our course are accredited by ISZS (*the International Society of Zoological Sciences*) and recognised by the AFGA (*African Field Guides Association*) and the NFTGA (*National Federation of Tourist Guides & Affiliates*).



Johan is the snake expert for the Tygerberg Poison Centre and the Red Cross Poison Centre as well as advisor to various hospitals and clinics throughout Africa.

Snake Awareness courses fall under the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993), Section 8 (1) and (2) E and it is imperative that such training is provided by an accredited service provider.



THE PROGRAM



SNAKE AWARENESS

It is a 2 – 3 hour program that includes a section on the major groups of scorpions, prevention of stings, the do's and don't's of basic first aid for scorpion sting, spider awareness, the dangerous spiders and first aid, bee sting, snake awareness, snake biology and behaviour, myths and superstition, identification of snakes in the area, basic first aid for snakebite and a discussion on the medical treatment of snakebite.

FIRST AID FOR SNAKEBITE

The do's and don't's of first aid for snakebite are covered in the *Snake Awareness* course as well as a discussion on the medical treatment of snakebite. The latter segment is purely to enlighten delegates so that they fully understand how medical doctors treat snakebite and what can be done during first aid to assist with subsequent treatment. The ASI snakebite protocols and first aid for snakebite procedures are regularly updated with leading snakebite experts in the world.

VENOMOUS SNAKE HANDLING

The snake handling session lasts about two hours (depending on the size of the group) and delegates are taught how to safely capture and contain venomous snakes using snake tongs, snake hooks, snake tubes and snake buckets. At no stage do delegates make physical contact with the snakes (i.e. grabbing by the tail or neck) - this is an unnecessary risk and conflicts with the health and safety protocols of most corporate sites. The purpose of this segment is to teach delegates safe protocols on how to cope with and safely remove venomous snakes in an emergency situation.

SNAKES

Venomous snakes are provided for the training and will include species appropriate for the region such as the Puff Adder, Snouted Cobra, Rinkhals and Cape Cobra (but will vary).



SNAKE HANDLING EQUIPMENT

Recommendations will be made as to what equipment is required when capturing and relocating snakes.

The African Snakebite Institute is the leading provider of quality snake handling equipment in Africa and we stock a full range of snake handling equipment as well PPE, books, posters, scorpion torches and comprehensive first aid kits for snakebite.



Juvenile
Boomslang

ADDITIONAL COURSES



ADVANCED FIRST AID FOR SNAKEBITE

This training is not part of the *Snake Awareness and Venomous Snake Handling* course and includes training on how to apply pressure immobilisation bandages and the use of a bag valve mask reserve with and/or without oxygen.

It is a half-day course and successful delegates receive a certificate in *Advanced First Aid for Snakebite*.



COURSE MATERIAL

Each delegate receives a digital and hard copy course certificate which is valid for 24 months from date of training. As well as a Snakes in the Workplace booklet and an A3 Dangerous Snakes of Southern Africa poster.

REQUIREMENTS

We require a lecture venue large enough to accommodate the delegates, and a white screen for projection of the presentation. Delegates are asked to bring their own pens and note pads should they wish to take notes.

For the snake handling session we require an area outside (preferably in shade) about a quarter of a tennis court in size. The African Snakebite Institute will provide all the snake handling equipment required for use on the day. Delegates who are doing the venomous snake handling are to wear closed shoes and long trousers.

We require an official purchase order and completed course booking form, in order for us to reserve training dates.

COSTS

Snake Awareness, First Aid for Snakebite and Venomous Snake Handling

R1695.00 (VAT included) per delegate with a minimum of 12 delegates.

Snake Awareness and First Aid for Snakebite

R1035.00 (VAT included) if less than 12 delegates.

R850.00 per person for 15 delegates or more.

Advanced First Aid for Snakebite

R1250.00 (VAT included) per delegate with a minimum of 12 delegates.

Travel from and to Pretoria is charged at R6.50/km (VAT included).

Accommodation and meals will be quoted on for sites exceeding 300km from Pretoria.

Flights and vehicle rental will be charged additionally for training in the Western and Eastern Capes.

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