

# Close Protection

## Highfield Level 3 Certificate for Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry

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This regulated qualification is ideal for anyone wishing to work as a close protection operative as it provides them with the necessary skills and knowledge to apply for an SIA licence. This qualification is supported by both the Security Industry Authority (SIA) and Skills for Security (SfS). Subjects covered include threat and risk assessment, legislation relevant to the role, walking drills, embus and debus, incident management, surveillance and operational planning.

### How long will it take me to achieve this qualification?

This qualification must be undertaken over a minimum of **12-days**.

### How is the qualification assessed?

It is divided into 3-units and is assessed by the following methods:

#### Unit 1: Working as a Close Protection Operative

Externally set and externally assessed MCQ paper with 25-questions, 40-minute duration, 70% pass mark. Externally set and internally assessed open-response questions and internally set and internally assessed practical tasks.

#### Unit 2: Planning, Preparing and Supporting a Close Protection Operation

Externally set and externally assessed MCQ paper with 30-questions, 45-minute duration, 70% pass mark. Externally set and internally assessed open-response questions and internally set and internally assessed practical tasks.

#### Unit 3: Conflict Management within the Private Security Industry

Externally set and externally assessed MCQ paper with 20-questions, 30-minute duration, 70% pass mark.

### What next?

Individuals achieving this qualification can progress on to further learning such as:

- Highfield Level 3 Award in the of Delivery of Conflict Management Training (RQF)
- Highfield Level 3 Award for the Deliverers of Physical Intervention Training within the Private Security Industry

### Where can this course be taken?

Through any Highfield-approved training centre.