



# SAIRAC

The South African Institute of Refrigeration and Air Conditioning

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Dear SAIRAC members

You are invited to our Cape Town Centre Technical Talk on Tuesday, 19 March 2024.



**TOPIC: Occupational Qualification and Part Qualifications presented by Hennie Basson.**

Hennie has 35 years of experience in the HVAC & R Industry with two trades, Refrigeration Mechanic (Industrial) and Electrician. Being self-employed and Managing Member, he identified a skills shortage within the industry and pioneered an in-house training program for the past 18 years, qualifying artisans under either the Apprentice Program or ARPL (previously section 28).

As a member of SARACCA, Hennie became involved in training of the Safe Handling of Refrigerants in the country, a SARACCA responsibility. Representing SARACCA Hennie was involved in the writing process of the new Occupational Qualification for Trades and Occupations, which is effective from 2024.

In addition, Hennie is also a merSETA-registered Assessor and Moderator, as well as a NAMB (National Artisan Moderating Body) Assessor and Moderator.

In 2022 Hennie opened his privately owned training facility to address the skill shortage and provide well-trained and qualified personnel for the HVAC&R industry. The Training Centre is QCTO-accredited as a Skills Development Provider and NAMB-accredited Trade Test Centre.

**SYNOPSIS:**

There is a fundamental difference between the Legacy Trades and the new Full & Part Occupational Qualifications which will be discussed, drawing on insights and experience gained from the development process. It is crucial for business owners, CEOs, HR managers, and apprentices to comprehend the curriculum and prerequisites for becoming a qualified artisan. Additionally, the concept of ARPL (Artisan Recognition for Prior Learning) will also be discussed and explained.

Venue: Parow Golf Club – Upstairs Meeting Room, Frans Conradie Drive, Parow.

Date & Time: 19 March 2024 at 18h30

Snacks will be provided, and Cash Bar facility will be available

Please RSVP to: [capetownsecretary@sairac.co.za](mailto:capetownsecretary@sairac.co.za) / 062 085 4054 no later than 12h00 on 18 March 2024

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