



LABORATORY EXCELLENCE, SAFETY AND ACCREDITATION

Assessment of Laboratory Competence

3 day course

Classroom, online or in-house

Course overview

Competence is the requirement every laboratory standard rests on and the one most often evidenced by a training record rather than by anything demonstrating ability. This course covers assessing it properly. Delegates work through defining competence for a specific method rather than for a job title, the evidence that actually demonstrates it including witnessed testing, blind samples and result review, and authorisation as a deliberate decision with a scope and a date. Reassessment intervals, competence after a period away from a method, and the handling of an analyst who fails an assessment are covered. The course closes on the records an assessor will expect to see.

What you will learn

- Define competence for a specific method rather than a job title
- Select evidence that genuinely demonstrates ability
- Use witnessed testing, blind samples and result review as assessment
- Authorise an analyst with a defined scope and date
- Set reassessment intervals and handle competence after time away
- Manage an analyst who fails an assessment fairly
- Keep the competence records an assessor will ask for

Who should attend

- Laboratory quality and technical managers
- Technical signatories and supervisors
- Training coordinators in laboratories
- Internal auditors of laboratories
- Accreditation body assessors

Course outline

- 01 Competence against a training record
- 02 Defining competence per method
- 03 Evidence that demonstrates ability
- 04 Witnessed testing and blind samples
- 05 Result review as ongoing assessment
- 06 Authorisation, scope and date
- 07 Reassessment and competence after time away
- 08 Failure, remediation and records

Upcoming dates

Dates	Venue	Format	Fee per delegate
30 September to 2 October 2026	Kigali, Rwanda	Classroom	USD 995
12 to 14 October 2026	Lusaka, Zambia	Classroom	USD 995
30 November to 2 December 2026	Accra, Ghana	Classroom	USD 995
9 to 11 December 2026	Cape Town, South Africa	Classroom	R14,950



Fees and how to register

This 3 day course is **R6,500** per delegate online, **R14,950** in the classroom in South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Lesotho and Eswatini, and **USD 995** in the classroom elsewhere in Africa. In-house training is quotation on request. Book 2 or more delegates on this course and save 10%.

To register or request an in-house proposal, visit www.afrisciencegroup.com, email info@afriScience.co.za, or WhatsApp us on **+27 63 479 1136**.

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