



MINING AND MINERALS TRAINING

Short Interval Control and Mine Production Dispatch

3 day course

Classroom, online or in-house

Course overview

Most lost production on a mine is not lost in incidents; it drains away in short delays that nobody records, and by the end of a shift the plan has been missed without a single identifiable event. This course makes those hours visible. Delegates work through the shift plan and the level of detail at which a plan can actually be controlled. Short interval control is covered as a practice: the check frequency, the conversation at each check and the decision authority a supervisor needs to act rather than report. Delay classification and honest recording follow, since a delay coded as something else cannot be fixed. Dispatch systems are addressed, covering truck allocation, queuing and the difference between utilisation and productivity. Key measures are covered: effective utilisation, cycle time, hang time and the arithmetic linking them to tonnes. Constraint identification follows. Shift handover and crew briefing are addressed. The course closes on daily review discipline and on the behaviours that decide whether any of it survives.

What you will learn

- Build a shift plan detailed enough to control
- Run short interval checks with real decision authority
- Classify and record delays honestly
- Operate dispatch allocation and manage queuing
- Distinguish utilisation from productivity
- Link cycle time and hang time arithmetic to tonnes
- Identify the constraint and sustain the practice through handover and review

Who should attend

- Mine production supervisors and shift bosses
- Dispatch controllers and operators
- Mining engineers responsible for productivity
- Superintendents and production managers
- Continuous improvement staff on mining operations

Course outline

- 01 Production lost without an event
- 02 The shift plan and controllable detail
- 03 Short interval check frequency and conversation
- 04 Decision authority at supervisor level
- 05 Delay classification and honest recording
- 06 Dispatch allocation and queuing
- 07 Utilisation, productivity and cycle time
- 08 Constraints, handover, daily review and behaviour

Upcoming dates

Dates	Venue	Format	Fee per delegate
12 to 14 October 2026	Online	Online	R6,500
23 to 25 December 2026	Harare, Zimbabwe	Classroom	USD 995
1 to 3 February 2027	Dar es Salaam, Tanzania	Classroom	USD 995



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%.

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