

Autosobriety Training Programme to prevent Drink-Driving in the eThekwini Municipality













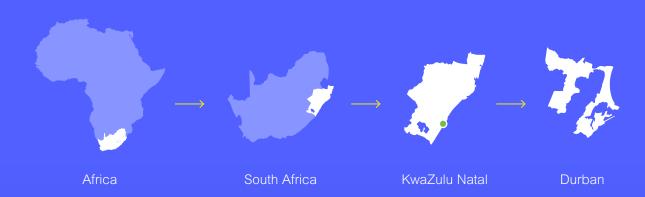
Targeted Location

eThekwini Municipality (Durban), South Africa

Metropolitan municipality that includes the city of Durban and surrounding towns. eThekwini is located in KwaZulu-Natal province of South Africa, located in the Southern African Region.

Total area: 2,297 km2Population: 3.6 million66% population under 35

 Number of staff members of the Municipality in 2020: 27,000 Transport mode in the City is largely through taxis (mini-buses), accounting for the transportation of 60% of the population. Buses account for the transportation of 10% and trains account for the remaining 30% of the population. The Municipality owns 70% of the buses and the rest are privately owned. The trains are owned by national government, managed through a government-owned entity.



Road traffic crashes in eThekwini



5,500

Incidents of drunken driving in 2018-2019



65,861

total crashes in 2019



4%

of total crashes related to alcohol

^{*} Source: Durban Metro Police / eThekwini Transport Authority

Overview

The eThekwini Municipality has a fully-fledged Driving School, which is responsible for providing training to a total of 100 driving schools in the City.

Additionally, it has a total of 15,000 registered taxis (mini-buses) and 112 registered taxi associations that also receive training through the Driving School.

The Autosobriety Training Programme aims to equip the eThekwini Municipality Transport Authority with a drunk driving prevention programme to be delivered through the following entities:

- Municipality's Driving School
- Municipality (City Fleet) responsible for buses
- Municipal Institute of Learning (MILE)
- Private driving schools in the Municipality
- Taxi associations

The Programme targets road users and instructors of driving schools:



Staff of the Municipality



Drivers of Municipality



Taxi and bus



Instructors of the Municipality Driving School and private driving schools



Owners of private driving schools



The overall objective of the Programme is to advance Sustainable Development Goal 3.6 "Reduce by half road traffic deaths and injuries" and the UN Global Performance Target for Road Safety **Risk Factor 9**.



By 2030, halve the number of road traffic injuries and fatalities related to drivers using alcohol, and/or achieve a reduction in those related to other psychoactive substances.

Format

The Autosobriety Training Programme is a 1-hour online interactive course that is complemented by a practical exercise using a digital App along with an augmented reality headset.

The course will be available in the UNITAR's e-learning platform and through its micro-learning Initiative EducateAll.







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