

Horizon versus other training providers

Close Protection Course – Comparison Document

	Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry “Close Protection Executive Course” & Hostile Environment Preparedness Course “HEPCO”	Versus	Other Training Providers
Duration	22 Days Total: 17 days Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry “Close Protection Executive Course” & 4 days Hostile Environment Preparedness Course “HEPCO”.		Typically, other training providers deliver their Close Protection course over 14 to 17 Days with few training providers offering the Hostile Environment Preparedness Course “HEPCO” for individuals that want to enter the Hostile Industry.
Costs	Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry “Close Protection Executive Course” £2000 (+VAT). Hostile Environment Preparedness Course (HEPCO) £600 (+VAT).		Other training providers typically costs between £1500 to £3500 for the full package.
Prospects of Employment	One of the distinct advantages of attending Horizon’s Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry “Close Protection Executive Course” & Hostile Environment Preparedness Course’ is that a number of highly reputable companies frequently visit our training centre to interview successful graduates who have performed well on our course and meet their clients’ minimum requirements. Those who impress at the interview stage are often offered employment or put onto a standby list for when positions become available. Horizon also has their own contracts running both in Hostile locations such as Africa and Executive in the UK and Europe.		Job prospects with other training providers tend to be often limited or non-existent due to most training companies not offering security services. In turn, don’t have their own contracts running. Using clever marketing, many training providers portray they have job opportunities for successful course graduates and that they have clients which include celebrities; actors/actresses, sports men/women and other recognisable public figures. The few jobs they sometime can offer graduates tend to be one-off tasks rather than full-time contracted positions. Horizon’s senior management and instructors have operated within the industry for prolonged years and tend to have various contacts throughout the industry with job adverts been put to

			<p>them. In turn, Horizon will post these on our Social Media platforms and also course WhatsApp groups. Our Management and Instructors are also keen to give references for students performances on the courses they attend.</p> <p>Before you commit to attend their course(s) please research the provider to establish realistically how credible their promises of employment actually are. DO NOT be FOOLED!</p>
Instructors	<p>At Horizon, all our instructors have many years of experience in providing both Close Protection and Close Protection Instruction and are all extremely passionate about their profession.</p> <p>During our Close Protection Executive Course, you can expect to be taught by at-least 3-4 different instructors. Each instructor will draw on their own experiences for example the Conflict Management and Surveillance phases of the course will be delivered by experienced Subject Matter Experts (SME's).</p>		<p>You can expect the same instructor to teach throughout the entire duration. For example, our lead instructor will deliver the full curse from start to finish outwith the Conflict Management and Surveillance phase of the course.</p>

<p>Reputation</p>	<p>We openly encourage anyone that is considering a career within the Close Protection Industry to do some research and you'll see for yourself that Horizon is indeed the best training provider in the industry.</p>	<p>Be careful what company you choose to be your training provider. This statement is not intended to scare you into choosing Horizon to be your training provider. Our intention is to be honest and transparent with you.</p> <p>There are numerous training companies offering courses at heavily discounted prices, promising the world. DO NOT get caught out!</p> <p>We have had students attend our Close Protection courses who made the wrong choice and with whom previously attended courses with other providers. Many struggled to find employment due to the reputation of the training provider they attended their training with.</p> <p>Many recruiters within the security industry DO take into consideration who you attended your training with as part of their selection process. Credibility matters.</p>
<p>Course Programme</p>	<p>Our syllabus goes above and beyond the basic licensing requirements giving you not only what is required for your licence but more importantly those skills required to enable you to be successful in the industry.</p> <p>It is designed to meet the needs of men and women from all walks of life regardless of background or previous knowledge.</p>	<p>The majority of training providers only train what they are obligated to teach by the Security Industry Authority (SIA) and Awarding Bodies guidelines.</p>
<p>Facilities</p>	<p>We have our own training centre facilities which include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Urban centre used for hostile environment training • Executive Protection calibre vehicles • Accommodation for students 	<p>Other training providers tend to hire rooms within hotels, conference centres etc and are therefore restricted in the training they can deliver.</p>

Certification Gained	Students who successfully complete our Close Protection Executive Course will be issued with a BTEC Level 3 Certificate; 'Working as a Close Protection Operative within the Private Security Industry' from Pearson which is valid for 3 years.		Many providers also offer this qualification via Person, QNUK or Highfields.
Post Course Support to Help Find Employment	<p>In order to increase our students' prospects of finding employment we provide them with an extensive list of companies who recruit Close Protection Operatives. Additionally, we give employment advice, which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to improve the chances of being successful in finding employment • How to network effectively • Social media • Assistance in developing your curriculum vitae • Interviews • How to determine potential interview questions • 3-year career action plans • Suggested reading list • Employment hints and tips <p>Horizon also has our own live contracts both in the Hostile and Executive sectors. It is always our aim to employ Horizon students where they meet the hiring criteria as a mark of loyalty for attending our courses plus the fact that we know the training that was delivered to the students are of the highest standards within the industry.</p>		We have unfortunately heard stories about other training providers doing little to assist their graduates find employment afterwards. Too many of these companies are only interested in one thing: ££££.
ELCAS	Horizon is proud to be an approved Training Provider under the Ministry of Defence's Enhanced Learning Credits Administration Service (ELCAS). Our Enhanced Learning Credits (ELC) provider number is 5805 .		<p>Not all training providers have ELCAS approval status. You can search via the ELCAS website to see what courses (if any) the training provider has been approved to deliver, see link below:</p> <p>http://www.enhancedlearningcredits.com/learning-provider/provider-search.aspx</p>

Frequency of Courses	<p>We are one of only a couple of training providers that deliver Close Protection training nearly every month.</p> <p>Since Horizon's inception we have rarely cancelled any of our scheduled Close Protection courses.</p>		<p>Typically, other training providers only deliver a few courses annually. These courses also have a tendency to be cancelled (often at short notice) due to an insufficient number of bookings.</p>