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# CLOSE PROTECTION COURSE

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**Welcome to the world of Close Protection – where tradition meets cutting-edge security solutions to safeguard individuals, assets, people and brands.**

Our specialised training programmes and certifications will prepare you to enter the industry with the appropriate skills, effective knowledge, and professional insight from the executive protection world and representatives from the client world.

Relevant and progressive training that is robustly assessed and tested ensures that you will become an effective member of any executive protection team.

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## Who we are

Assist Group are dedicated to service, by understanding the environment and integrating with our partners we can forecast emerging threats, control risk and offer managed solutions.

We serve our partners through security program development, implementing risk and resilience measures, Intelligence analysis, and learning. Client sovereignty and excellent service is at the core of everything we do.

Emphasising collaboration and communication across different functions is critical in the development of a robust security plan. Self-sufficiency and lightweight models encourage a culture of risk awareness and responsibility, creating an environment in which everyone understands their role and their responsibility in controlling security and risk.

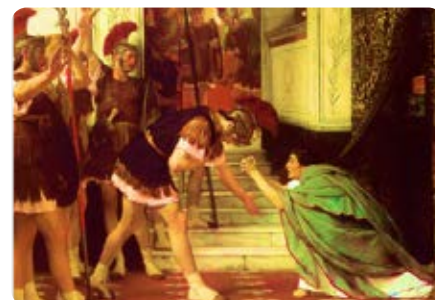
“Our operation and product range is driven by this principle, we aim to support security functions and risk management from the forefront, and we continue to pursue innovation and the development of lightweight and flexible solutions across all areas of our service delivery”





## A brief history

In ancient civilisations, such as the Roman Empire, the Praetorian Guard, an elite unit chosen from the Roman army, protected high-ranking officials. Knights and loyal soldiers played pivotal roles during medieval times, ensuring the safety of nobility amidst the rise of courts and city-states in the Renaissance.



As threats evolved across emerging societies, so did the concept of executive protection. In Asia, the Hokoshu, high-ranking samurai guard-officials, served as close protection officers to the Ashikaga shogun during the Muromachi period in Japan.

The industrial revolution brought rapid societal changes, leading to private security details for industrialists- the birth of the high net worth individual.



The Pinkerton National Detective

Agency, founded in 1850 in the United States, significantly contributed to the provision and organisation of private security services.

World War I and II prompted the rise of security details for political leaders and diplomats, setting the stage for a post-war shift. The Cold War era intensified global security concerns, and the increased mobility of leaders led to a surge in demand for specialised protection services for diplomats, government officials, and corporate executives.



The 1970s and 1980s witnessed an escalation in terrorist activities, kidnappings, and high-profile attacks, driving a heightened demand for executive protection. Private security firms expanded their services, solidifying executive protection as a distinct professional field.

Technology became a game-changer, with modern bodyguards seamlessly integrating advanced tools such as GPS trackers, sophisticated communication systems, and threat assessment tools into their security plans.

In the 21st Century Executive protection continues to be a dynamic and evolving field, adapting to the changing nature of risks and the unique challenges faced by high-profile individuals, corporations, and media outlets in today's complex world.



## Your Close Protection Course

Delivered by seasoned instructors with backgrounds in Royal and Diplomatic protection, UK Special Forces, Royal Marines Commando, and the Parachute Regiment, this course incorporates guest instructors and speakers from crucial sectors within the executive protection realm. This integration aims to enrich the educational experience by providing insights from both the operator's and client's perspectives.

The training includes well-equipped scenarios set in central London venues and locations pertinent to your future operational environments post-course completion. These scenarios are designed to simulate real-world situations, ensuring a robust learning experience. Additionally, media-focused scenarios are incorporated to prepare learners for potential employment with Assist. All learners will attend post-course interviews conducted by the Assist Risk Management team.

The curriculum encompasses comprehensive and innovative Close Protection skills instruction, covering both theoretical and practical aspects to equip participants with a well-rounded skill set

Skills and tactical procedures are in line with SIA criteria and core competencies in conjunction with realistic scenarios and situational awareness exercises.

This course includes Highfield Level 3 Certificate for Close Protection Operatives in the Private Security Industry.



## **CLOSE PROTECTION MODULES (194HRS)**

### **Principles of Working as a Close Protection Operative in the Private Security Industry (68hrs)**

- Understand the roles and responsibilities of a close protection operative
- Understand current law and legislation within a close protection context.
- Understand the importance of threat and risk assessment.
- Understand the importance of threat and risk management.
- Understand personal and professional skills within a close protection environment.
- Understand the importance of teamwork within a close protection environment.
- Understand search procedures within a close protection operation for people, vehicles, and buildings/venues.
- Understand close protection foot drills.
- Understand venue security operations and requirements.
- Understand the importance of planning, route selection and additional licence considerations.
- Understand reconnaissance within a close protection environment.
- Conduct reconnaissance activity.
- Understand the importance of operational planning.
- Understand surveillance, anti-surveillance, and counter-surveillance methods.
- Driver training; Preparation, control and techniques of low-profile tactical driving, vehicle escort drills, convoy procedures, contact drills and vehicle navigation.
- Surveillance/countersurveillance.
- Counter surveillance techniques are critical in the pre-emption of potentially lethal situations. Proactive measures to detect and counter surveillance are taught and practiced.

### **FREC 3 First Response Emergency Care trauma management.**

- A comprehensive medical package designed for Close Protection operatives. The course is demanding and realistic. Skills included are triage assessment, control of bleeding, breaks/burns, defibrillation, airway control and many more aspects of first response. FREC 3 is accredited with QA Quality Awards and is awarded.

### **Principles of Terror Threat Awareness in the Private Security Industry (2hrs)**

- Understand terror threats and the role of the security operative in the event of a threat.

### **Principles of Working as a Door Supervisor for Close Protection Operatives in the Private Security Industry (10hrs)**

- Understand how to keep vulnerable people safe.
- Understand licensing law relevant to the role of a door supervisor.
- Understand queue management and venue capacity responsibilities relevant to a door supervisor.

### **Application of Physical Intervention Skills for Close Protection Operatives in the Private Security Industry (20hrs)**

- Understand the requirements of providing clear and concise instructions to the principal and team members in emergency situations.
- Know how to respond to a change in operational conditions from standard operating procedure (SOP) to emergency operating procedure (EOP)
- Know the responsibilities of the close protection team when there is an immediate physical threat to the principal.
- Understand the necessity for narrowing the concentric layers of protection when managing an immediate threat to the principal.
- Understand the implications of common and criminal law when using force on another person.
- Know the positive alternatives to using physical intervention skills in a close protection environment.
- Understand associated threats because of an attempted assault or unwarranted attention towards a principal.
- Know how to apply physical intervention skills in a justifiable, ethical, and professional manner.
- Be able to use non-pain compliant soft skills to prevent harm to a principal.
- Be able to use defensive non-pain compliant skills to protect self from assault.
- Be able to use non-pain compliant methods of protecting the inner cordon.
- Be able to protect the principal from assault.
- Be able to communicate effectively to encourage de-escalation.
- Working as a Close Protection Operative in the Private Security Industry (70hrs)
- Undertake a dynamic risk assessment.
- Carry out a risk assessment\*
- Demonstrate use of surveillance, Anti surveillance, and counter surveillance.
- Be able to search people, vehicles, and venues.
- Demonstrate close protection foot drills.
- Be able to manage transport arrangements within a close protection environment.
- Carry out incident management follow-up\*.
- Demonstrate embus/debus technique\*
- Be able to prepare and carry out a close protection assignment.
- Be able to deal with a range of incidents within a close protection environment.
- Demonstrate how to deal with a range of incidents within a close protection environment\*

### **Application of conflict management in the private security industry (11hrs)**

- Understand the principles of conflict management appropriate to the role.
- Understand how to recognise, assess, and reduce risk in conflict situations.
- Understand the use of problem-solving techniques when resolving conflict.
- Be able to communicate to de-escalate conflict.
- Demonstrate approaches to take when addressing unacceptable behaviour\*.
- Demonstrate ways to deescalate conflict situations\*
- Demonstrate working with colleagues to de-escalate conflict situations\*

### **Application of physical intervention skills in the private security industry (13hrs)**

- Understand physical interventions and the implications of their use.
- Understand the risks associated with using physical intervention.
- Understand how to reduce the risks associated with physical intervention.
- Be able to use physical skills to protect yourself and others.
- Be able to use non-pain compliant standing, holding and escorting techniques.
- Demonstrate close protection foot drills.
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Immersive scenario based training experience

**22 days Level 3 SIA Close Protection Qualification including FREC 3**

**£5,000**

**18 days Level 3 SIA Close Protection Qualification**

**£4,500**

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Dedicated Training Centre with on site accommodation, within 40mins of Central London

Train where you work – practical training delivered in key London venues.

You will map and understand the city ready for employment post course

You will be tested across the 4 pillars of close protection

1. Executive protection
2. Ultra-high network
3. Media and talent
4. Hostile environment

You will be trained and supported by industry leaders

You will meet key personalities from the client side of the role

### COURSE DATES

**28th October – 18th November 2024**

**25th November – 16th December 2024**

**6th January – 27th January 2025**

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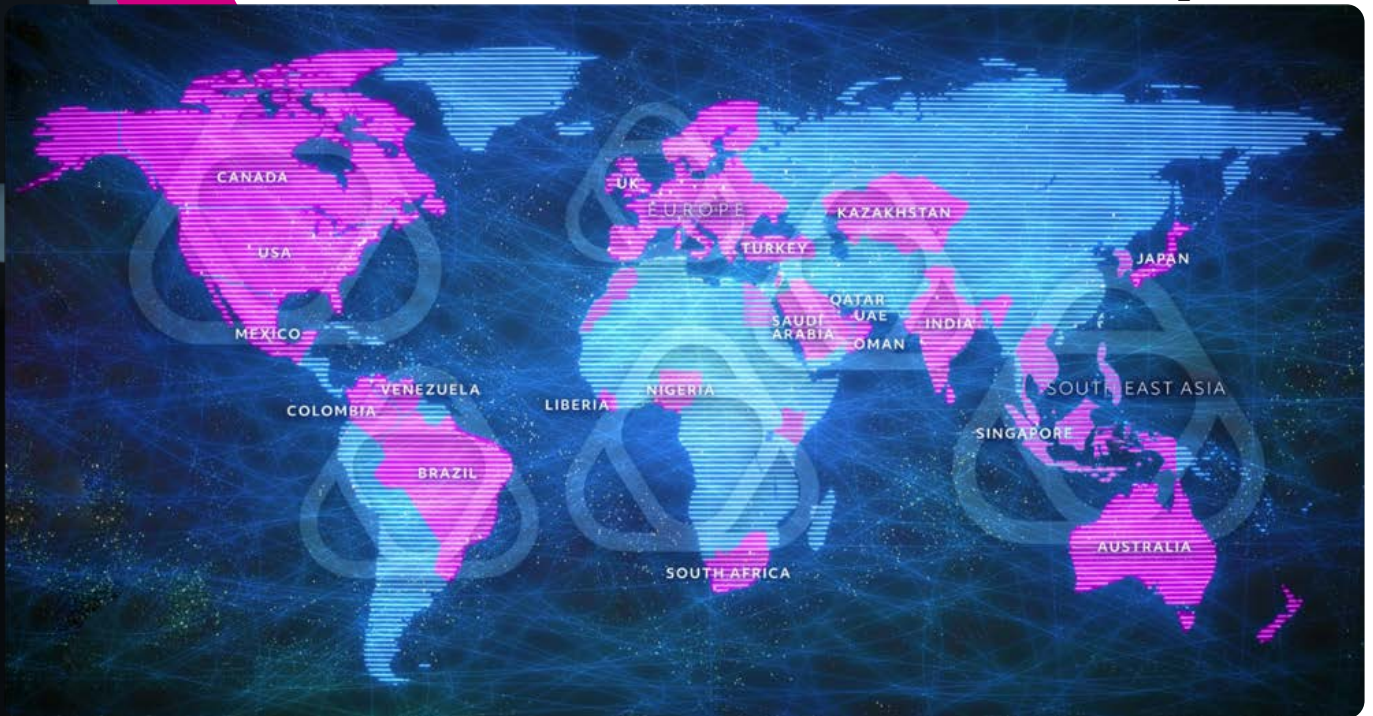
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