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## SAIOSH ACCREDITED *CPD Points!*

At SP-Wind, we're proud to offer Saiosh-accredited training programmes that empower professionals in the wind energy sector to enhance their careers while deepening their commitment to safety. Our courses, participants have the opportunity to earn valuable Continuing Professional Development (CPD) points, which contribute to both personal growth and professional recognition within the health and safety industry.

Being recognized by Saiosh (the South African Institute of Occupational Safety and Health). Ensuring clients that our programmes meet national

standards, helping them stay compliant with legal frameworks and best practice requirements in the renewable energy field.

What makes SP-Wind different? It's the way we train: hands on, practical and led by instructors who've worked in the field. Our courses are built around real scenarios and global standards. So when you leave here, you're not just certified. You're confident and ready for the real world.

Courses we offer with CPD Points:

- BST: 5 points
- BST Refresher: 5 points
- BTT: 5 points
- Rescue and Safety : 2 points
- Crane & Hoist Basic User: 2 points
- Slings & Lifting: 1 point



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# ON-SITE TRAINING *Insight From Instructor*



On-site training offers technicians the chance to learn in their real work environment, using familiar equipment and working alongside their own team. SP-Wind instructor, Juandr  shares how this approach leads to more effective learning, better safety practices, and greater confidence on the job.

## Why is on-site training more effective than training at the centre?

"On-site training takes place in the technician's actual work environment using their own PFPE and rescue gear. This makes the training more practical and realistic. Technicians perform real rescues in their own turbines, with their team, following site-specific procedures. It boosts confidence, improves retention, and eliminates the need to adjust to unfamiliar setups."

## Which modules work best on site and what gear do you bring?

"Modules like Basic Safety Training and Advanced Rescue Training are perfect for on site delivery. They involve critical hands on skills best practiced directly in the turbines. We bring PFPE, rescue kits, fall arrest gear, pulley systems, stretchers, and scenario equipment that match the site's needs. For Fire Awareness or First Aid, we supply fire blankets, extinguishers, CPR dummies, AEDs, and trauma kits."

## How does training in a real turbine improve learning and how do you adjust to tough environments?

"Technicians engage more deeply when training in familiar settings. They're more confident asking specific questions and they apply what they learn immediately. Even in tight or less than ideal spaces, we adapt the training while meeting GWO learning outcomes. Our instructors are certified to be flexible, safe, and effective in any environment."

## What feedback do you get from technicians and clients?

"Feedback is always positive. Technicians often say it's the most useful training they've done because it was hands on, in their own turbines, and with their crew. Many request future ART sessions or full evacuation practice. Clients appreciate the reduced downtime and increased team readiness."

## Why should teams choose on-site training and what if they are unsure?

"On-site training saves time, cuts costs, and keeps teams operational. You get the same GWO certification and instruction quality without travel. It's practical, flexible, and site specific. If you're unsure about logistics, we're happy to assess your site and guide you through the process. SP-Wind brings training to you, efficient, effective, and built for your team's success."

*Featuring  
Juandr  Niemand*





# SP-WIND DELIVERS SAFETY *Cresto Solutions*

At SP-Wind, safety isn't just a priority — it's the foundation of everything we do. Whether it's in our training programs or the equipment we stock, every decision is made with one goal in mind: protecting the wellbeing of those who work at height. That's exactly why we rely on Cresto harnesses, and in particular, the *Fusion Pro Wind 1138*, as a core part of our gear lineup.

We were first drawn to Cresto because of their wind-industry-specific design. The *Fusion Pro Wind 1138* stands out with features tailored for challenging and unpredictable environments, this includes a helicopter-rescue-approved front D-ring and a self-luminous rear D-ring. These features aren't just smart additions, they make a critical difference during emergency response or in low-light conditions.

Its reinforced stitching and breathable 3D mesh padding

also make it a top choice for durability and comfort during long, physically demanding shifts. Cresto's commitment to safety doesn't stop at the design table. Their harnesses are rigorously tested to meet and often exceed international standards like EN 358:2018 and ANSI Z359.11-2014. Constructed with NordGuard polyester webbing, the *Fusion Pro Wind 1138* is rated for extreme temperatures ranging from -40°C to +100°C, this means that it is ideal for technicians exposed to harsh outdoor elements.

In our gear shop, we continue to stock and recommend Cresto harnesses because they consistently deliver on what matters most:

- Ergonomic design for long-shift comfort.
- Quick-release buckles
- Built-in fall indicators
- Multiple tool or gear attachment points

Feedback from the field speaks for itself. Premium Cresto models, like the *Fusion Pro Wind 1138*, offer outstanding comfort and support for extended use. Meanwhile, entry-level options remain dependable and practical, which is more for trainees or for short-duration tasks.

At SP-Wind, our people work in some of the most demanding environments imaginable. Choosing Cresto harnesses, especially the *Fusion Pro Wind 1138* — reflects our commitment to protecting them with gear that is not only safe, but designed to perform under pressure. It's the right balance of safety, innovation, and all-day comfort and that's exactly what our team deserves.

*By Wikus Olivier*

## CRESTO FUSION PRO WIND 1138





#### About Me:

I studied Human Resources at Nelson Mandela University and worked in sales and customer service before joining SP-Wind. These roles strengthened my communication skills, which I now use in Business Development and Internal Sales. I was drawn to the wind industry for a fresh start, and SP-Wind stood out for its strong values and supportive culture. Completing BST training was a highlight, this gave me firsthand insight into our courses and boosted my confidence. I've learned a lot about the GWO framework and grown more adaptable in a fast-paced, team-focused environment.

## Meet Natalie

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## YOUR FUTURE IN WIND STARTS HERE.

Our yellow training shuttle is ready to roll. For every course at SP-Wind, we provide participant transport between the training centre and their accommodation. No stress. No delays. Just a reliable ride to help you stay focused on what you came here for: building skills, gaining confidence, and growing your wind career.

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