Training course on Airport Ground Operations and Passenger Services

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Tourism and hospitality	**Duration**	10 Days
Base Fee	$3,000 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:

1. Analyze the fundamental principles and strategic importance of **Airport Ground Operations and Passenger Services**.
2. Master methodologies for efficient **aircraft ground handling and turnaround management**.
3. Understand the comprehensive processes of **passenger check-in, security, and boarding**.
4. Implement effective protocols for **baggage handling, reconciliation, and delivery**.
5. Apply rigorous **ramp safety procedures** to ensure secure aircraft movement and servicing.
6. Formulate strategies for providing **special assistance to passengers with diverse needs**.
7. Comprehend **international aviation regulations (IATA, ICAO)** and their impact on ground operations.
8. Develop effective **communication and coordination strategies** among ground teams, flight crew, and air traffic control.
9. Leverage **airport technology solutions** for operational efficiency and passenger processing.
10. Implement robust **aviation security protocols** for ground operations and passenger areas.

11. Understand **crisis management and emergency response** procedures for ground incidents.
12. Explore **emerging trends and sustainability initiatives** in airport ground operations.
13. Position themselves as strategic experts capable of ensuring the **safe, efficient, and customer-centric operation** of airport ground services.

Target Audience

This course is designed for professionals involved in or aspiring to manage airport ground operations and passenger services:

1. **Airport Ground Operations Managers/Supervisors:** Overseeing daily airside and landside operations.
2. **Airline Operations Staff:** Managing flight departures, arrivals, and ground coordination.
3. **Ground Handling Agents:** Working for third-party service providers.
4. **Passenger Service Agents:** Directly assisting passengers at check-in, gates, and arrivals.
5. **Aviation Security Personnel:** Focused on airport and aircraft security.
6. **Ramp Agents and Baggage Handlers:** Seeking to advance their understanding of overall operations.
7. **Airport Management Trainees:** Preparing for leadership roles.
8. **Hospitality and Aviation Students:** Focused on airport management and customer service.

Course Duration: 10 Days

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Airport Ground Operations

- Overview of the Airport Ecosystem: Airside vs. Landside.
- The Critical Role of Ground Operations in Aviation Safety and Efficiency.
- Understanding Aircraft Turnaround: The Core Process.
- Key Stakeholders: Airlines, Ground Handlers, Airport Authority, Air Traffic Control.
- The Regulatory Environment: ICAO, IATA, National Aviation Authorities.

Module 2: Aircraft Ground Handling and Turnaround Management

- Step-by-Step Aircraft Turnaround Process: Arrival to Departure.
- Ground Support Equipment (GSE) and Its Safe Operation.
- Aircraft Marshalling and Parking Procedures.
- Chocking, Coning, and Grounding of Aircraft.
- Managing Fueling, Potable Water, and Lavatory Servicing.

Module 3: Passenger Check-in, Security, and Boarding

- Different Check-in Methods: Kiosk, Web, Mobile, Counter.
- Document Verification (Passports, Visas, Tickets).
- Baggage Acceptance and Weight/Size Restrictions.
- Coordinating with Airport Security (TSA/National Security).
- Gate Management and Efficient Boarding Procedures.

Module 4: Baggage Handling and Reconciliation

- Baggage Flow from Check-in to Aircraft Load.
- Baggage Sorting Systems and Technology.
- Baggage Reconciliation Systems (BRS) for Security and Tracking.

- Handling Mishandled Baggage (Lost, Damaged, Delayed).
- Final Baggage Offload and Delivery at Destination.

Module 5: Ramp Safety and Aircraft Servicing

- The Ramp as a High-Risk Environment: Rules and Regulations.
- Preventing Foreign Object Debris (FOD) on the Ramp.
- Safe Operation of GSE and Vehicle Movement.
- Aircraft Servicing Procedures: Catering, Cleaning, De-icing.
- Human Factors in Ramp Safety.

Module 6: Special Assistance to Passengers

- Providing Assistance to Passengers with Reduced Mobility (PRM).
- Handling Unaccompanied Minors (UMs).
- Managing Medical Cases and Stretcher Passengers.
- Communication and Empathy for Passengers with Special Needs.
- Compliance with Accessibility Regulations.

Module 7: International Aviation Regulations (IATA, ICAO)

- Overview of ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) Standards and Recommended Practices.
- Role of IATA (International Air Transport Association) in Ground Operations.
- Compliance with Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR).
- Air Waybill and Cargo Manifest Procedures.
- Understanding Bilateral Air Service Agreements.

Module 8: Communication and Coordination

- Establishing Clear Communication Channels: Radios, Headsets, Digital Systems.
- Communication Protocols Between Ramp, Cabin Crew, Flight Deck, and ATC.
- Briefings and Debriefings for Ground Teams.
- Effective Handover Procedures Between Shifts.
- Conflict Resolution and Teamwork on the Ground.

Module 9: Airport Technology for Ground Operations

- Use of Airport Operational Database (AODB) and Flight Information Display Systems (FIDS).
- Gate Assignment and Resource Management Systems.
- Automated Baggage Systems and Biometric Technologies.
- Mobile Devices and Apps for Ground Staff.
- Data Analytics for Operational Performance and Efficiency.

Module 10: Aviation Security for Ground Operations

- Screening of Staff, Vehicles, and Supplies.
- Access Control to Airside and Restricted Areas.
- Aircraft Security Checks and Measures.
- Response to Security Incidents on the Ground.
- Compliance with National Aviation Security Programs.

Module 11: Crisis Management and Emergency Response on the Ground

- Developing Emergency Response Plans for Ground Incidents (Aircraft Accidents, Spills, Security Threats).
- Coordination with Airport Emergency Services and Authorities.
- Managing Evacuations and Shelter-in-Place Scenarios.
- Crisis Communication for Passengers and Media.
- Post-Incident Analysis and Learning.

Module 12: Sustainable and Future Trends in Ground Operations

- Sustainable Ground Operations: Electric GSE, Reduced Emissions, Waste Management.
- Noise Abatement Procedures.
- Impact of Automation and Robotics on Ground Handling.
- Future Aircraft Designs and Their Impact on Ground Ops.
- Adapting to Changing Passenger Expectations and Air Travel Growth.

Training Methodology

- **Interactive Workshops:** Facilitated discussions, group exercises, and problem-solving activities.
- **Case Studies:** Real-world examples to illustrate successful community-based surveillance practices.
- **Role-Playing and Simulations:** Practice engaging communities in surveillance activities.
- **Expert Presentations:** Insights from experienced public health professionals and community leaders.
- **Group Projects:** Collaborative development of community surveillance plans.
- **Action Planning:** Development of personalized action plans for implementing community-based surveillance.
- **Digital Tools and Resources:** Utilization of online platforms for collaboration and learning.
- **Peer-to-Peer Learning:** Sharing experiences and insights on community engagement.
- **Post-Training Support:** Access to online forums, mentorship, and continued learning resources.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

- Participants must be conversant in English.
- Upon completion of training, participants will receive an Authorized Training Certificate.
- The course duration is flexible and can be modified to fit any number of days.
- Course fee includes facilitation, training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch, and a Certificate upon successful completion.
- One-year post-training support, consultation, and coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be made at least a week before the training commencement to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice, to enable better preparation.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Online	$2,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$9,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000
23 Nov 2026	04 Dec 2026	Physical	$12,000

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