



## Information for providers

The requirements for Te Waharoa have been deliberately left non-prescriptive to enable providers with different expertise and training opportunities, and in different locations to offer a unique package leading to the award of the qualification.

Only accredited providers can award credits towards national qualifications. This ensures a provider has the systems, student support, tutors, resources and equipment required to successfully run courses leading to national qualifications.

Almost all secondary schools, wharekura and some kura kaupapa have "Base Scope Accreditation". This enables them to assess their students against most field Māori areas and award credit towards Te Waharoa.

*An accredited training provider can:*

- assess students for skills they already have against relevant unit standards and award those credits towards Te Waharoa
- organise specific programmes to prepare students for Te Waharoa
- look at existing programmes and award relevant credits towards Te Waharoa.

## Contact

For further enquiries about Te Waharoa, contact Māori Qualifications Services:

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Te manu ka kai i te miro,  
nōna te ngāhere.  
Te manu ka kai i te mātauranga,  
nōna te ao.



## National Certificate in Māori Te Waharoa (Level 2)



## What is Te Waharoa?

- A National Certificate that recognises Māori skills and knowledge. A National Certificate is made up of standards, which reflect the skills or knowledge learnt. Credits are awarded for each standard achieved.
- Te Waharoa is designed to motivate and provide a qualification focus for learners.
- A gateway that offers an opportunity to continue with further study and achievement in either field Māori or alongside other qualifications such as the NCEAs.

Some of the credits towards Te Waharoa may come from any of the other areas on the NQF. Kura, schools and other education providers are combining field Māori credits with credits from areas such as Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, Business Administration, and New Zealand curriculum subjects.



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Te Waharoa can add to NCEA options by recognising Māori skills and knowledge.

## How does Te Waharoa link to NCEA?

All standards in Te Waharoa can contribute toward the achievement of National Certificate of Educational Achievement (NCEA) levels 1, 2 and 3. Some standards can also be credited towards other National Certificates and Diplomas.

For a full copy of the unit standards in field Māori that count towards Te Waharoa, check out the National Qualifications Framework (NQF) section of the NZQA website at [www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework](http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework).

## How do learners achieve Te Waharoa?

This qualification is available to everyone. If you already have NQF credits recognising skills and knowledge in field Māori subjects, these can be counted towards Te Waharoa.

Learners wanting to achieve Te Waharoa must achieve at least 80 credits made up of:

- 70 credits from field Māori, (at least 40 must be at level 2 or higher) AND
- 10 credits at level 1 or above from any field on the NQF, including field Māori.

## What are the benefits of studying towards Te Waharoa?

Te Waharoa provides:

- **Recognition** of Māori skills and knowledge.
- **Flexibility** to earn credits towards a qualification through an accredited provider based on a marae, in a school, or within a tertiary organisation.

