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NEW ZEALAND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK
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The New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF) is the backbone of New Zealand's education system. All qualifications – both secondary and tertiary – are part of the NZQF, providing an assurance of quality that is recognised and trusted worldwide.

You can read about the structure of the NZQF and the qualifications on the [New Zealand qualifications](#) page.

The benefits of a qualifications framework

The NZQF is a definitive source for accurate information about all qualifications. It allows you to benchmark your level of skill and knowledge on the NZQF and make comparisons between different qualifications.

For employers it makes explicit what graduates can “do, be and know”. For all parties it lays out pathways to further education, employment and training.

Qualifications can be achieved in different settings including the workplace. This allows learners to achieve it in ways most suited to their educational, work or life circumstances.

The qualifications framework is also important for recognising and he

Background to our quality assured frame

The NZQF was one of the first qualifications frameworks in the world
suit with their own national frameworks.

It is administered by The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA)
the skills, knowledge and application demonstrated to complete a spe

The usefulness, relevance and value of the qualification is directly li
individuals, groups of learners, employers, industry and communities

Qualifications are developed collaboratively with a wide range of stak
of the processes used and the information provided.

Where to next?

- [Find out why and how qualifications are regularly reviewed](#)
- [Read about the Review that lead to the simplification of the qua](#)
- [Download the NZ Qualifications' Framework brochure \(PDF, 606](#)