

Title	Interpret and apply health and safety legislative requirements to scaffolding work		
Level	3	Credits	3

Purpose	<p>People credited with this unit standard are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – explain the legislative requirements for scaffolding in the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; – complete scaffolding industry health and safety risk management documentation; – demonstrate knowledge of personal protective equipment (PPE) in the scaffolding industry; – interpret legislative requirements that relate to public protection in the scaffolding industry; and – interpret and apply health and safety legislative requirements to the inspection of scaffolding equipment.
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Classification	Lifting Equipment > Elementary Scaffolding
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 This unit standard has been developed for learning and assessment on-job or off-job in a simulated environment.
- 2 All tasks are to be carried out in accordance with:
 - a quality management systems;
 - b designer requirements and manufacturer operating instructions; legislation, regulations, bylaws, Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; and Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995 or its replacement;
 - c the most up to date version of the *Good Practice Guidelines - Scaffolding in New Zealand (GPG)*, 2016 available from <https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/working-at-height/scaffolding-in-new-zealand/>; and all subsequent amendments and replacements.
- 3 Definitions
Hazards refer to those occurrences, processes, substances or situations as determined by the organisation that are an actual or potential cause or source of harm associated with, but not limited to: process, activities, environment, equipment, materials, work organisation, site and facilities.
Scaffolding is as defined in the GPG and in the Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Explain the legislative requirements for scaffolding in the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the responsibilities of scaffolders under the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.
- 1.2 Explain hazard management procedures for scaffolding in terms of hazard identification sheets.

Range includes but is not limited to proximity to power lines.
- 1.3 Explain training and competency requirements for scaffolders.

Outcome 2

Complete scaffolding industry health and safety risk management documentation.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Explain the requirements of the scaffolding industry health and safety risk management documentation.
- 2.2 Complete the scaffolding industry health and safety risk management documentation.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate knowledge of PPE in the scaffolding industry.

Range PPE includes but is not limited to – hard-hats, boots, clothing, eye protection, safety lines, belts, harness.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Describe PPE to be carried by scaffolders in industry.
- 3.2 Explain use of PPE by scaffolders in industry.
- 3.3 Explain maintenance and inspection of PPE in industry.

Outcome 4

Interpret legislative requirements that relate to public protection in the scaffolding industry.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Interpret the legislative requirements for catch fans in terms of their relevance to health and safety in the scaffolding industry.
- 4.2 Interpret the legislative requirements for screening and containment sheeting in terms of their relevance to health and safety in the scaffolding industry.
- 4.3 Interpret the legislative requirements for safety nets in terms of their relevance to health and safety in the scaffolding industry.

Outcome 5

Interpret and apply health and safety legislative requirements to the inspection of scaffolding equipment.

Range equipment – planks, fittings, components.

Performance criteria

- 5.1 Interpret the equipment inspection requirements in terms of their relevance to health and safety and apply to the scaffolding work.

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the Waihangara Ara Rau Construction and Infrastructure Workforce Development Council qualifications@waihangaraarau.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.