

NATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (NQF) UPDATE No 4, 2006

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Reporting National Qualifications Framework (NQF) Data

This is a reminder that all accredited organisations should now be utilising the Record of Learning (RoL) Extranet service to submit all NQF data such as registrations (hook-ons), results and qualification requests.

In August 2004, all accredited organisations were advised through QA Operations circular NQ04-01 that the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) was instigating an operational change that required all NQF data to be reported only by electronic transfer from 1 July 2005.

This is to advise that from **1 December 2006**, NZQA will only process NQF registrations, results and qualification requests that are submitted via the RoL Extranet service (either using the Enter NQF Results or the Submit Data File facilities).

NQF registration, result or qualification requests received from accredited organisations through any other mode such as email, paper-based (hard copy documentation) or diskette will not be accepted.

Learner Details Update

This new Extranet facility will be rolled out to all NQF accredited organisations in mid-October 2006. It will appear as a web link on the RoL Extranet menu entitled "Learner Details Update" with the User Guide located at the end of the link.

This facility enables accredited organisations to request an update to the personal details for an individual learner* such as address or telephone number as well as name and gender where suitable evidence has been sighted. ¹

The type of evidence sighted must be indicated on the facility and be available to NZQA on request.

* Details of learners who are currently enrolled in a secondary school cannot be updated.

Please note that date of birth updates cannot be submitted via this facility. These requests must still be directed to the Tertiary Records business unit together with an appropriate form of verification.

Any change requests should come into effect within 24 hours. A note will be added to the Record of Learning (RoL) for the learner accompanied by the particulars of the accredited organisation that requested the change, the date and time of the request, the type of evidence sighted (where applicable), and the details changed.

Circular notification service

NZQA has recently added a circular notification service to its website. This service can be located via the following link

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/publications/circulars/index.html>

The service provides an email notification when a circular type (eg NQF circulars) in which you are interested in receiving has been published on to the website. The email notification does not contain the circular but will provide the relevant website link.

Enquiries

Enquiries about Reporting NQF data or the Learner Details Update facility or the Circular notification service can be directed to:

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Field Māori unit standard and qualification reviews and developments

Māori Qualifications Services (MQS) is currently reviewing and developing a number of Field Māori areas. We would therefore invite you to provide us with feedback on them.

The following areas are under review :

- Nga Mahi a te Whare Pora: unit standards and qualifications (all)
- Whakairo: unit standards and qualifications (all)
- Māori Performing Arts: unit standards levels 6 to 8
- Pūtaiao: unit standards (all)
- Tikanga: unit standards levels 1 to 3
- Whenua: unit standards (all)
- Taonga Puoro: unit standards (all)
- Te Mātauranga Māori me te Whakangungu: unit standards (all)

The following areas under development:

- Indigenous Studies: unit standards and qualifications
- Māori Environmental Management: qualifications
- Te Reo Māori: National Bachelors Degree
- Māori Literacy: unit standards and qualifications

The following certificates are now available for uptake by accredited organisations:

- National Certificate in Governance of Māori Authorities
- National Certificate in Wāhi Tapu (Level 4)

Enquiries and feedback

Enquiries and feedback about the review and development of Field Māori unit standards and qualifications can be directed to any member of the MQS team:

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