

**TO: Organisations with NZQA accreditation for Computing unit standards and national qualifications**

**ATTENTION: CEOs  
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**cc: NZQA Registration, Accreditation and Approvals  
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## **Revision and rollover of National Certificate in Computing Levels 2 and 3**

The revision of the National Certificate in Computing (Level 2) [Ref: 0010] and National Certificate in Computing (Level 3) [Ref: 0011] is now complete. New versions of the qualifications were published on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) website on 14 October 2009. Information on the revision of the qualifications can be accessed at: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/nqfdocs/summaries/2009/sep09/revsumsep09-16.html>

### **Transition arrangements for the qualifications**

#### **National Certificate in Computing (Level 2) [Ref: 0010]**

People currently working towards version 4 of this qualification can either complete its requirements or transfer their results to version 5. People completing version 4 of the qualification have until 31 December 2012 to do so.

#### **National Certificate in Computing (Level 3) [Ref: 0011]**

People currently working towards version 5 of this qualification can either complete its requirements or transfer their results to version 6. People completing version 5 of the qualification have until 31 December 2012 to do so.

#### **Credit count of version 5 of unit standard 2780 towards the new qualifications**

People wishing to credit version 5 of unit standard 2780 towards the new version of the qualifications should be aware of the following.

If a candidate for a qualification has a version of a unit standard with a different level and/or credits from the version listed in a qualification, the level and credits as they appear in the qualification will be used to determine whether the candidate has met the requirements.

In the case of version 5 of unit standard 2780, only three of the nine credits will count towards the new qualification.

**Requirement to move to new versions of the compulsory unit standards**

As standard-setting body for Computing unit standards and qualifications, NZQA National Qualifications Services (NQS) is responsible for ensuring that training relates to current versions of unit standards, assessment guides, resources, and national qualifications.

As such, NQS expects that all providers will move to version 6 of unit standards 2780 and 2781 at their next intake of students or by the beginning of 2010. Further information regarding versions of standards can be accessed at:

<http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/help/version-faqs.html>

**Enquiries**

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