

National Certificate in Animal Training (Dog Trainer)

Level 5

Credits 186

This qualification is **expiring**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2008.

Purpose

This qualification recognises people who have demonstrated the ability to handle and train dogs for a variety of purposes such as tracking, agility, obedience, and personal protection. This could also include professional and competition dog handlers and trainers.

This certificate is designed to specify the standards required by the industry, and to provide a means of recognising prior learning for those already working in the industry. The elective unit standards allow people to select the competencies that are relevant to their chosen field or profession.

This qualification shares some compulsory unit standards with other animal care and handling qualifications. It is a prerequisite for the National Diploma in Animal Training (Trainer Instructor) [Ref: 0264], and may lead to the National Diploma in Animal Training (Guide Dog Instructor) [Ref: 0265], or the National Diploma in Animal Training (Guide Dog Trainer) [Ref: 0266].

Special Notes

People may be granted recognition of prior learning on application to accredited providers of unit standards.

Credit Range

	Compulsory	Elective
Level 1 credits	4	0-1
Level 2 credits	27	0-7
Level 3 credits	34	0-14
Level 4 credits	19	0-25
Level 5 credits	92	-
Minimum totals	176	10

Requirements for Award of Qualification

Award of NQF Qualifications

Credit gained for a standard may be used only once to meet the requirements of this qualification.

Unit standards and achievement standards that are equivalent in outcome are mutually exclusive for the purpose of award. The table of mutually exclusive standards is provided in section 7 of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) *Rules and Procedures* publications available at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/acrp/index.html>.

Reviewed standards that continue to recognise the same overall outcome are registered as new versions and retain their identification number (ID). Any version of a standard with the same ID may be used to meet qualification requirements that list the ID and/or that specify the past or current classification of the standard.

Summary of Requirements

- Compulsory standards
- Elective – A minimum of 10 credits as specified

Detailed Requirements

Compulsory

The following standards are required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Care

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5170	Prepare small animals for local and international transport	3	2
5180	Demonstrate knowledge of the anatomy and physiology of animals	2	10
5189	Follow safe working practices and standards in the animal facility	3	4
5193	Maintain animal facility environmental hygiene	3	5
5222	Recognise and interpret problems of behaviour in companion animals	5	5
7337	Care for dogs	3	5
7399	Demonstrate knowledge of ethics and legislation as they apply to the care and handling of animals	2	3
7400	Respond to and manage routine problems of animal behaviour	5	4

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Handling

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5183	Handle and transport injured companion animals	3	2

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Training

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7402	Train a dog to be under control of the handler	4	12
7408	Train a dog for tracking	5	30
7409	Train a dog for agility	5	15
7410	Train a dog for obedience	5	30

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Veterinary Nursing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5181	Provide emergency first aid care to companion animals	5	8

Business > Business Administration > Business Administration Services

ID	Title	Level	Credit
327	Document business transactions	2	3
329	Process financial information for cash transactions	2	3
334	Operate inventory administration systems to record and monitor inventory activities	3	5

Business > Business Administration > Business Information Management

ID	Title	Level	Credit
125	Manage business records systems	3	5

Core Generic > Core Generic > Self-Management

ID	Title	Level	Credit
12349	Demonstrate time management	2	3
12355	Demonstrate knowledge of stress and ways of dealing with it	2	2

Humanities > Communication Skills > Interpersonal Communications

ID	Title	Level	Credit
1296	Conduct a one to one interview	4	3
1311	Present and defend an argument orally	4	4
3501	Apply listening techniques	1	4
9677	Participate in groups and/or teams to gather ideas and information	2	3

Service Sector > Service Sector Skills > Selling Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
11831	Sell goods and/or services	3	6

Elective

A minimum of 10 credits

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Agriculture > Farming Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
586	Rear and train working dogs and work a team of dogs	4	6
597	Use farm dogs	3	6

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Husbandry

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5163	Respond to client requests for advice on companion animal breeding	4	6
5165	Assist with parturition and after care of companion animals, respond to client requests for advice	3	3

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Training

ID	Title	Level	Credit
7407	Train a dog to protect the handler	4	13

Health > Health Studies > Core Health

ID	Title	Level	Credit
6400	Manage first aid	3	2
6401	Provide basic first aid	2	1
6402	Provide basic life support	1	1

Humanities > Communication Skills > Interpersonal Communications

ID	Title	Level	Credit
1299	Be assertive in a range of specified situations	2	4
1307	Present ideas and information orally to a specified audience in a predictable situation	3	3

Service Sector > Service Sector Skills > Service Sector - Core Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
57	Provide customer service in given situations	2	2

Transition Arrangements

Version 5

Version 5 was issued to indicate that this qualification is expiring.

For detailed information see [Review Summaries](#) on the NZQA website.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
59	11831
503	12349
545	12355
1300	9677
1305	3501
1308	1307

Previous versions of the qualification

Version 4 was issued following a review in December 1999.

Changes to structure and content

- transfer of unit standard 7407 from the compulsory list to the elective list;
- addition of unit standards 5163, 5165, 6400, 6401 and 6402 to the elective list;
- credit total for the qualification has decreased from 199 to 186.

People currently enrolled in programmes leading to the award of an earlier version of this qualification may either complete that version of the qualification or transfer to this version.

Version 3 was issued in July 1999. It included new titles for reviewed business administration unit standards, and the addition of unit standard 1299 to the elective list.

Version 2 was issued in December 1998 in order to include the replacements for reviewed core generic and communication skills unit standards.

NQF Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	December 1996	December 2008
Revision	2	December 1998	December 2008
Revision	3	July 1999	December 2008
Review	4	December 1999	December 2008
Review	5	August 2008	December 2008

Standard Setting Body

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Other standard setting bodies whose standards are included in the qualification

Agriculture Industry Training Organisation
NZQA
Retail ITO

Certification

The certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the New Zealand Veterinary Association (NZVA), the New Zealand Kennel Club and the accredited organisation.

Classification

This qualification is classified according to the NQF classification system and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

NQF Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
1202	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Training	061103	Health > Veterinary Studies > Veterinary Assisting

Quality Management Systems

Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Accreditation requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) for each standard.

Prerequisite Diagram

