

National Certificate in Forest Foundation Skills (Level 2) with strands in Establishment, Pruning, Chainsaw Operations, Breaking Out, and Landing Operations

Level 2

Credits 41-46

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2018.

Transition Arrangements

This qualification has been reviewed and replaced by the New Zealand Certificate in Forest Industry Foundation Skills (Level 2) with strands in Breaking Out, Establishment, Landing Operations, and Pruning [Ref: 2325].

Version 4 of this qualification has been republished to extend the last date of enrolment into programmes leading to this qualification from 31 December 2015 to 31 December 2017 and the last date for assessment extended from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2018.

People currently working towards this national qualification should complete its requirements by 31 December 2018.

New enrolments into programmes leading to this qualification will not be accepted after 31 December 2017.

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

NZQF National Qualification Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	August 2008	December 2012
Revision	2	January 2010	December 2012
Revision	3	January 2011	December 2018
Review	4	January 2015	December 2018
Republication	4	September 2015	December 2018

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Purpose

This qualification is aimed at those wishing to gain work in a forestry operation or new entrant employees in a forestry operation. As such, components of it can be used by providers for pre-employment programmes to develop the skills required for people beginning work in forestry operations.

The inclusion of Set B in the core elective section provides opportunities for employers and candidates to select standards from other areas of the National Qualifications Framework that meet the specific requirements of the enterprise.

On completion, candidates will have introductory knowledge of health and safety in a forestry operation. The strand structure means candidates will also have knowledge relating to a particular operation and basic skills required to begin working under direct supervision. Candidates will not be competent practitioners on completion.

Candidates who complete this qualification and gain full time employment in a forestry operation, or who are already employed in a forestry operation, may progress to the National Certificate in Forest Operations (Level 3) with strands in Establishment, Pruning, Thinning to Waste (Small Trees), Thinning to Waste (Large Trees), Tree Felling – Basic Techniques, Thinning for Extraction, Breaking Out for Ground Based Harvesting, Breaking Out for Cable Harvesting, Landing Operations, and Mensuration [Ref: 1411].

Replacement Information

This qualification replaced the National Certificate in Forestry (Foundation Skills) [Ref: 0703].

Special Notes

The diagram in Appendix 1 illustrates pathways between Forestry qualifications at Levels 2, 3 and 4.

Credit Range

	Core Compulsory	Core Elective	Establishment Strand	Pruning Strand
Level 2 credits	18	0-10	10	10
Level 3 or above credits	3	0-10	-	-
Minimum totals	21	10	10	10
Qualification total with strand			41	41

	Chainsaw Operations Strand		Breaking Out Strand	Landing Operations Strand
	Compulsory	Elective		
Level 2 credits	5	0-8	10	15
Level 3 credits	-	0-12	-	-
Minimum totals	5	8	10	15
Qualification total with strand	44		41	46

Requirements for Award of Qualification

Award of NZQF National 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 on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) website: <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/standards/standards-exclusion-list/>.

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

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

One of the following strands is required

- Establishment Strand
- Pruning Strand
- Chainsaw Operations Strand
- Breaking Out Strand
- Landing Operations Strand

Detailed Requirements

Core Compulsory

The following standards are required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
17769	Demonstrate knowledge of general health, safety, and environmental requirements in forestry	2	6
22994	Demonstrate knowledge of factors that affect the performance of forestry workers	2	10

Community and Social Services > Fire and Rescue Services > Fire and Rescue Services - Vegetation

ID	Title	Level	Credit
3285	Demonstrate knowledge of protection of personal safety at vegetation fires	3	3

Health > Health Studies > First Aid

ID	Title	Level	Credit
26551	Provide first aid for life threatening conditions	2	1
26552	Demonstrate knowledge of common first aid conditions and how to respond to them	2	1

Core Elective

A minimum of 10 credits at Level 2 or above

From the following sets

- Set A
- Set B

Set A

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
22995	Demonstrate knowledge of employment relationships, and work collaboratively in a forestry operation	2	5
22997	Demonstrate knowledge of principles of commercial forestry	2	5

Set B

From anywhere on the DAS

Establishment Strand

The following standard is required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
23000	Demonstrate forestry foundation skills under supervision for plantation forest establishment	2	10

Pruning Strand

The following standard is required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
22998	Demonstrate forestry foundation skills under supervision for pruning plantation trees	2	10

Chainsaw Operations Strand Compulsory

The following standard is required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Operations

ID	Title	Level	Credit
6916	Demonstrate knowledge of the Approved Code of Practice relating to chainsaw use	2	5

Chainsaw Operations Strand Elective

A minimum of 1 standard

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Operations

ID	Title	Level	Credit
23411	Operate a chainsaw and carry out basic chainsaw maintenance in a commercial forestry situation	3	12

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Non Commercial Forestry Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
6917	Demonstrate basic chainsaw operation	2	8

Breaking Out Strand

The following standard is required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
23001	Demonstrate forestry foundation skills under supervision for breaking out for plantation forestry	2	10

Landing Operations Strand

The following standards are required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
22999	Demonstrate forestry foundation skills under supervision for landing operations	2	10

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Operations

ID	Title	Level	Credit
6916	Demonstrate knowledge of the Approved Code of Practice relating to chainsaw use	2	5

Transition Arrangements

Version 3

Version 3 was issued following a revision of Competenz chainsaw standards 6917 and 23411.

Changes to structure and content

- The total credit range for this qualification has decreased from 43-50 to 41-46 credits.
- In the core compulsory section the three expiring first aid standards 6400, 6401 and 6402 from the domain Core Health have been replaced by the two newly developed first aid standards: 26551 and 26552 from the First Aid domain.
- An elective section has been added to the Chainsaw Operations Strand.
- Standard 23411 has been moved from the compulsory section of the Chainsaw Operations Strand to a new elective section in this strand.
- Standard 6917 has been added to the new elective section of the Chainsaw Operations Strand.

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
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
6923	23000
6949	22998
13108, 13109	22994
17757, 17760, 17761	22997

It is not intended that any existing candidate be disadvantaged by these arrangements. However, any candidate who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz – see below.

Previous versions of the qualification

Version 2 of this qualification was issued following a revision to incorporate feedback from users of this qualification.

Version 1 was issued to replace the National Certificate in Forestry (Foundation Skills) [Ref: 0703] following an extensive review of Forestry standards and qualifications.

Other standard setting bodies whose standards are included in the qualification

Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation (EMQUAL)
 NZQA

Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the Competenz and the organisation that has been granted consent to assess against standards that meet the requirements of the qualification (accredited).

Classification

This qualification is classified according to the classification system listed on the Directory of Assessment Standards (DAS) and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

DAS Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
2004	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Forestry > Forest Foundation Skills	050501	Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies > Forestry Studies > Forestry Studies

Quality Management Systems

Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Organisation with consent to assess and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Consent to assess requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) for each standard.

Appendix 1

FORESTRY QUALIFICATIONS - OVERVIEW

