

QUALIFICATION DETAILS

Qualification Title		New Zealand Certificate in Signmaking (Level 3)	
Version	2	Qualification type	Certificate
Level	3	Credits	120
Expiry Date	December 2017		
NZSCED	100501 Graphic and Design Studies > Graphic Arts and Design Studies		
Qualification Developer	Competenz		
This qualification has been reviewed . The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2022.			
Strategic purpose statement		<p>The purpose of this qualification is to provide the signmaking industry with individuals who have attained sufficient competencies and capabilities to work in the industry, either by way of apprenticeship or in general employment. Graduates will be capable of operating at a basic level with some supervision.</p> <p>It is designed for people who are employed in either a specialised signmaking business or the signmaking division of another business and who are undertaking general production activities in signmaking.</p> <p>The qualification has been developed to encourage learners to train to higher levels in a formal programme of training, and to credential employee capabilities.</p> <p>It recognises knowledge and skills that will support competent job performance, the future introduction of new technologies within the industry, further personal up-skilling in the workplace, and meeting of customer requirements.</p>	
Outcome Statement	Graduate profile	<p>As a qualified signmaker at this level graduates are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communicate orally and in writing with colleagues. • Select appropriate tools, equipment, materials and processes to meet a range of job specifications. • Work safely and within compliance requirements to produce and install signs. • Produce signs in familiar contexts and use standard processes that integrate relevant statutory requirements, accurately interpret job specifications, and meet industry standards. • Identify and report on progress, issues, and problems in sign production. • Use and maintain equipment in accordance with manufacturer's specifications. • Apply a range of printing skills relevant to a signmaking workplace such as laminating, finishing processes, digital photography, design and colour requirements. 	
	Education	This certificate leads to the New Zealand Certificate in Signmaking (Level 4)	

pathway	[Ref: 1825].
Employment pathway	Graduates will be qualified to work as signmakers under supervision in all sectors of the signmaking industry.

Qualification Specification

Qualification award	This qualification is awarded by CMITO upon completion of the qualification requirements. The formal certification document will include the NZQF logo, the logo of CMITO, and the logo of any tertiary education organisation offering a programme of training leading to award of this qualification.
Evidence requirements for managing consistency	<p>All TEOs either arranging training or delivering programmes that lead to the award of the qualification are required to participate in a consistency process scheduled by NZQA.</p> <p>This will involve reviewing evidence associated with graduate's achievement of outcomes, and agreeing acceptable thresholds for qualification outcome achievement and areas for improvement.</p> <p>To demonstrate how graduates are achieving the qualification graduate profile outcomes, TEOs are required to produce their own evidence in a high level report.</p> <p>Evidence will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Employer surveys to determine if graduates of the qualification meet the graduate profile outcomes.</i> • <i>Evidence of effective processes to ensure programmes continue to meet current industry needs.</i> • <i>A range of workplace evidence demonstrating that graduates meet the graduate profile outcomes.</i> • <i>Any other relevant evidence as appropriate.</i> <p>Further information about the managing consistency process can be found on the NZQA website.</p>
Credit transfer and recognition of prior learning arrangements	<p>Competenz recognises prior learning achieved within both formal and informal settings. For full details, contact Competenz, PO Box 9005, Newmarket, Auckland 1149.</p> <p>Processes may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - recognition for people who have worked in industry for a period of time who have not had any formal recognition of their skills - assisting people to upgrade previously gained qualifications - credit for learning achieved in previously gained qualifications that aligns with outcomes in this qualification. <p>TEOs delivering programmes that lead to award of this qualification may transfer credit and recognise prior learning in accordance with their own credit recognition policies and procedures.</p> <p>Credit transfer will be automatic where assessment standards are used for assessment within programmes of study or training leading to this qualification.</p>
Minimum standard of achievement and standards for grade endorsements (where applicable)	Achieved
Prerequisites to meet regulatory body or legislative	None

requirements (where applicable)	
Other conditions for qualification	<p>Assessment must include any three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • vector cut vinyl signs • screen printed signs • digitally produced signs • manually produced signs • engraved signs • non-electrical signs <p>Assessment must include any two of the following, with assessment equally weighted across both:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Producing black and white printed documents using a digital copier, and including print finishing tasks for both on-line and off-line; • Applying a finishing process used in large format digital printing that incorporates a variety of techniques and materials; • Producing and presenting images using a digital camera, and preparing images for printing production; • Producing sheet-fed laminated work, which includes: checking job documentation and confirming job requirements; making ready and running the sheet-fed laminator; checking quality; cleaning the machine and preparing jobs for next process; • Undertaking typography which includes - formatting type and design; and creating proofs to meet requirements; • Applying knowledge of: colour models, gamuts, spaces and profiles (including ICC profiles); and methods for measuring colour in printing related contexts of monitor (display), substrate and ambient light.

Conditions relating to specific outcomes

Qualification Outcomes (including indicative credit values for each outcome)	Conditions
Communicate orally and in writing with colleagues. 3 credits	Recommended: Unit Standard 1277
Select appropriate tools, equipment, materials and processes to meet a range of job specifications. 3 credits	Recommended: Unit Standard 27572
Work safely and within compliance requirements, to produce and install signs. 9 credits	Recommended: Unit standard 27573

<p>Produce signs in familiar contexts and using standard processes that integrate relevant statutory requirements, accurately interpret job specifications, and meet industry standards</p> <p>35 credits</p> <p>Identify and report on progress, issues, and problems in sign production.</p> <p>10 credits</p> <p>Use and maintain equipment in accordance with manufacturer's specifications.</p> <p>20 credits</p>	<p>Recommended: Assessment may include some of the following unit standards in the Signmaking domain.</p> <p>27574 27575 27577 27578 27579 27584 27585</p>
<p>Apply a range of printing skills relevant to a signmaking workplace such as laminating, finishing processes, digital photography, design and colour requirements.</p> <p>40 credits</p>	<p>Recommended: Assessment may include some of the following unit standards in the Signmaking, Digital Processes for Print, and/or Printing Production domains.</p> <p>10917 20097 23829 24514 25398</p>

Transition information

<p>Replacement information</p>	<p>This qualification and the New Zealand Certificate in Signmaking (Level 4)[Ref: 1825] were replaced by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Zealand Certificate in Signmaking (Level 4) with optional strands in Traditional Signwriting, Three-Dimensional Sign Fabrication, and Digital Signage [Ref: 3570]. <p>Version 1 of this qualification and version 1 of the New Zealand Certificate in Signmaking (Level 4) [Ref: 1825] replaced an existing qualification listed on the NZQF, the National Certificate in Signmaking with strands in Computer Graphics, Hand Lettering, and Electric Signmaking [Ref: 0306].</p>
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Existing candidates may complete the requirements of [Ref: 1824] or [Ref: 1825] or transfer their results to [Ref: 3570].

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2018.

The last date for assessments to take place is 31 December 2022, at which time the qualifications will be discontinued.

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case- by-case basis.

Competenz, PO Box 9005, Newmarket, Auckland 1149.

Republication information

Version 1 of this qualification was republished in April 2015 to update the Evidence requirements for managing consistency

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