

FIELD AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES**Review of *Poultry Production* qualifications**

**National Certificate in Poultry Hatchery (Operations) [Ref: 0329]
National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry with strands in Breeding Operations,
Table Egg Production, and Poultry Meat Production [Ref: 0330]**

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualifications listed above that were registered in June 1997.

Replacement qualification

National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry (Level 3) with strands in Egg Production, Poultry Hatchery, and Poultry Rearing [Ref: 1177]

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The review was carried out to update the qualifications following unit standard review, reflect name changes of industry sectors, and to determine the requirements of poultry hatchery operations in relation to the other poultry industry sectors.

Consultation was initially carried out in conjunction with unit standard review, through sector meetings with relevant stakeholders who were representative of the industry sectors relating to poultry hatcheries, poultry production, and poultry management. Sector meetings were followed up by wider industry consultation by mail, email, and face-to-face meetings. Feedback from moderation, and training providers was also sought and taken into account.

The qualification strands were renamed in line with industry sectors. Further follow up with individual industry people and training providers was carried out as required to clarify and confirm changes.

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation is now satisfied that the views of all stakeholders have been taken into consideration in the new qualification. Feedback has confirmed that changes to, and demand for, the new qualification is justified, as the poultry industry continues to operate in a growing market, and demand for trained employees increases.

Main changes resulting from the review

The review process has resulted in the creation of the replacement National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry (Level 3) with strands in Egg Production, Poultry Hatchery, and Poultry Rearing [Ref: 1177]. The structure and content of the replaced qualifications has been used as the basis of the new qualification.

National Certificate in Poultry Hatchery (Operations) [Ref: 0329]

- The qualification has been replaced by the Poultry Hatchery strand of the new National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry (Level 3) with strands in Egg Production, Poultry Hatchery, and Poultry Rearing [Ref: 1177].

National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry with strands in Breeding Operations, Table Egg Production, and Poultry Meat Production [Ref: 0330]

- The qualification has been replaced by the new National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry (Level 3) with strands in Egg Production, Poultry Hatchery, and Poultry Rearing [Ref: 1177].
- Strand names in the replacement qualification reflect current terminology for industry sectors – Poultry Rearing rather than Breeding Operations, and Egg Production rather than Table Egg Production.
- A Poultry Meat Production strand has not been included in the replacement qualification as this is no longer a requirement by industry, however unit standards from the strand have been included.

Transition

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation intends that no existing candidate is disadvantaged by the replacement of the National Certificate in Poultry Hatchery (Operations) [Ref: 0329], and the National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry with strands in Breeding Operations, Table Egg Production, and Poultry Meat Production [Ref: 0330].

People currently working towards the National Certificate in Poultry Hatchery (Operations) [Ref: 0329] can complete that qualification by 31 December 2007 or transfer to the replacement qualification. The last date for entry to training programmes or courses for the above qualification is 31 December 2005.

People currently working towards the National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry with strands in Breeding Operations, Table Egg Production, and Poultry Meat Production [Ref: 0330] can complete that qualification by 31 December 2008 or transfer their results to the replacement qualification. The last date for entry to training programmes or courses for the replaced qualification is 31 December 2005.

All versions of the replaced qualifications will continue to be recognised by industry.

The National Certificate in Poultry Husbandry (Level 3) with strands in Egg Production, Poultry Hatchery, and Poultry Rearing [Ref: 1177] contains unit standards that replace earlier unit standards. People who have gained credit for the expiring unit standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement unit standards.

Expiring Standards	Replacement Standards
5059	21554
8851,8852 and 8873	21186
8853 and 8854	21187
8857	21188
8858	21189 and 21190

Any person who feels they have been disadvantaged by the transition should contact:

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