
**FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES -
STRUCTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL**
**Assess draft building evacuation
schemes for approval**

level:	4
credit:	4
final date for comment:	March 2008
expiry date:	December 2009
sub-field:	Fire and Rescue Services
purpose:	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of the application of legislation relevant to assessing draft building evacuation schemes for approval; initiate procedures for evacuation scheme approval and assess scheme approval documents; and monitor and report on a proposed evacuation scheme.
entry information:	Prerequisite: Unit 14558, <i>Organise and conduct a monitored building evacuation</i> , or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
accreditation option:	Evaluation of documentation and visit by NZQA and industry.
moderation option:	A national moderation system of moderation networks has been established by the Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation.
special notes:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1 Compliance with the fire and rescue service provider's Health and Safety policy and procedures is mandatory.2 Assessment against this unit standard may take place under real or practical simulated conditions.

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- 3 Legislation applying to this unit standard includes the Fire Safety and Evacuation of Buildings Regulations 1992, the New Zealand Fire Service Act 1975, and their subsequent amendments.
- 4 For the purposes of this unit standard a draft building evacuation scheme shall exclude evacuation schemes that require specialist or technical advice outside normal scheme provisions, eg special provision for staged evacuations, places used for lawful detention.
- 5 *Fire and rescue service provider's requirements or Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)* refer to policies and procedures on safety and operation set down by each fire and rescue service employer or host organisation.

Elements and Performance Criteria

element 1

Demonstrate knowledge of the application of legislation relevant to assessing draft building evacuation schemes for approval.

performance criteria

- 1.1 Criteria for buildings requiring evacuation schemes are listed in accordance with the requirements of section 21A (1 and 2) of the New Zealand Fire Service Act 1975.
- 1.2 Statutory responsibilities of the New Zealand Fire Service with respect to evacuation schemes are stated in accordance with referenced legislation.

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- 1.3 Responsibilities of building owners and tenants with respect to an evacuation procedure are stated in accordance with Fire Safety and Evacuation of Building Regulations 1992.
- 1.4 Part 1 of the Fire Safety and Evacuation of Building Regulations 1992 are explained in accordance with the referenced legislation.
- Range: categories of buildings to which Part 1 applies, firefighting equipment for use by building occupants, storage of goods and materials inside and outside buildings, packing and unpacking of goods, control of open flames, use of appliances in premises, management of means of escape.

element 2

Initiate procedures for evacuation scheme approval and assess scheme approval documents.

performance criteria

- 2.1 Building owners and or representatives are provided with access to required documentation in accordance with the SOPs.
- Range: evacuation scheme template and application forms, information outlining regulatory requirements.
- 2.2 Completed documentation is checked for legislative compliance in accordance with the SOPs.
- Range: draft scheme document, application form.
- 2.3 Advice given to the building representative enables completed documentation to meet legislative requirements in accordance with Fire Safety and Evacuation of Building Regulations 1992 section 17 (2) b.

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element 3

Monitor and report on a proposed evacuation scheme.

performance criteria

- 3.1 Building inspection is completed in accordance with the SOPs.
- 3.2 The trial evacuation is monitored in accordance with the SOPs.
- 3.3 Reporting is completed in accordance with the requirements of the SOPs.
- 3.4 Documentation for the draft scheme is checked for compliance and forwarded to the Chief Fire Officer for approval in accordance with the SOPs.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation info@frsito.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.

Please Note

Providers must be accredited by the Qualifications Authority or a delegated inter-institutional body before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by the Qualifications Authority before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for providers wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

This unit standard is covered by AMAP 0039 which can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/site/framework/search.html>.