
**FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES -
STRUCTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL**
**Incorporate and evaluate legislation in
standard operating procedures in fire
and rescue services**

level:	5
credit:	10
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: incorporate legislation into standard operating procedures; evaluate the application of legislation in standard operating procedures; and apply legislation that supports the activities of fire and rescue services as statutory bodies.
entry information:	Prerequisite: Unit 16934, <i>Apply legislation in fire and rescue services</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 relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to - the Fire Service Act 1975, the Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977, the Building Act 1991, the Building Regulations 1992, the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996, the Fire Safety and Evacuation of Buildings Regulations 1992, the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002, the Land Transport Act 1998 and regulations, the Coroners Act 1988, the Resource Management Act 1991, the Children, Young Persons and their Families Act 1989, the Employment Relations Act 2000, and the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, and subsequent amendments.
- 4 *Legislation* in this unit standard is in the context of responding to fire and other emergencies and in the provision of fire safety advice.
- 5 *Response* refers to fire and rescue service organisations responding to fire and other emergencies.
- 6 *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.

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Elements and Performance Criteria

element 1

Incorporate legislation into standard operating procedures.

Range: may include but is not limited to - Fire Service Act 1975, Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977, Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002, Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996, Building Act 1991, Building Regulations 1992, Fire Safety and Evacuation of Buildings Regulations 1992, Employment Relations Act 2000.

performance criteria

1.1 Legislation is incorporated into organisational policy and procedures over a range of response contexts.

Range: response contexts may include but are not limited to - structure fires, rescues, medical emergencies, road traffic accidents, rural fires, hazardous substance emergencies, national civil emergencies.

element 2

Evaluate the application of legislation in standard operating procedures.

performance criteria

2.1 Legislation applied to standard operating procedures is evaluated in accordance with the fire and rescue service provider requirements.

2.2 Legislation incorporated in standard operating procedures is reviewed in terms of its application and relevance to the organisation's policies and procedures.

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- 2.3 Policies established support and guide people when applying legislation to standard operating procedures in accordance with the fire and rescue service provider requirements.

element 3

Apply legislation that supports the activities of fire and rescue services as statutory bodies.

performance criteria

- 3.1 Legislation that is applied is relevant to the performance of standard operating procedures, and supports the purpose of the statutory responsibilities of the fire and rescue service provider in response activities.

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>.