

Demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of Rural Fire Officers and a Rural Fire Authority

Level 3

Credits 2

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of a Rural Fire Officer (RFO), and legislated responsibilities of a Rural Fire Authority (RFA).

Subfield Fire and Rescue Services

Domain Fire and Rescue Services - Vegetation

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This AMAP can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Special notes

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes the Fire Service Act 1975, Forest and Rural Fires Act 1977, and Forest and Rural Fires Regulations 2005.
- 2 Compliance with the fire and rescue service provider's Health and Safety policy and procedures is mandatory.
- 3 Definition
Fire and rescue service provider's requirements 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 legislated responsibilities of a Rural Fire Officer (RFO).

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Duties of a warranted RFO are explained with reference to relevant legislation and Rural Fire Authority (RFA) policy.
- 1.2 The RFO's authority to act on offences against relevant legislation is explained with reference to the relevant legislation.
- 1.3 The RFO's duty to implement a Fire Plan is explained in accordance with the RFA policy.
- 1.4 The key sections of the RFA's Fire Plan are identified in accordance with the Forest and Rural Fires Regulations 2005.

Element 2

Demonstrate knowledge of the legislated responsibilities of an RFA.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Responsibilities and functions of the National Rural Fire Authority (NRFA) and RFAs are described in accordance with legislation.
- 2.2 Availability, maintenance, and testing of fire suppression equipment under the RFA's responsibility are described in accordance with the fire and rescue service provider's requirements.

Range legislated requirements, RFA policy.
- 2.3 Measures that need to be taken to ensure compliance of fire response requirements for the RFA are described in accordance with the fire and rescue service provider's requirements.

Range legislated requirements, RFA policy.
- 2.4 Assistance that needs to be given to fire prevention publicity and training programmes is described in accordance with the fire and rescue service provider's requirements.

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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 organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

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