

<b>Title</b>	<b>Prepare, bring to steam, and operate a steam driven vehicle and steam boiler</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to: check the engine and engine control valves of a steam driven vehicle; check the structural components and running gear and/or steering gear of a steam driven vehicle; carry out preliminary start-up procedures; prepare a steam driven vehicle for operation; check steam driven vehicle under working conditions; operate a steam driven vehicle; and shut down and carry out steam boiler laying up procedures and complete documentation.
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<b>Classification</b>	Commercial Road Transport > Steam Driven Vehicles
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Guidance Information

1 Range

This unit standard covers steam driven vehicles, including steam locomotives, steam traction engines, steam cranes, steam trucks, steam cars, steam rollers and steam trams. It is applicable to both horizontal and vertical type boilers as used in steam driven vehicles. Portable boilers with engines attached and steam driven road or rail vehicles fitted with boilers not exceeding 50 litres water capacity are excluded.

2 All tasks must be carried out in accordance with the Land Transport Rule: Traction Engines 2010 (the Rule) <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/rules/traction-engines-2010-index.html>.

3 Definition

*Organisational requirements* include any legal requirements, standards, codes of practice, organisational and/or site policies and procedures, industry best practice, and manufacturers' instructions. These must be available to candidates, providers, and assessors. The applicable standard is the highest standard specified.

4 Before assessment commences, the boiler must be checked to ensure it has a current boiler certificate.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Check the engine and engine control valves of a steam driven vehicle.

Range includes all attached machinery or equipment.

### Performance criteria

- 1.1 The engine and engine control valves are checked for conformity with organisational requirements.

### Outcome 2

Check the structural components and running gear and/or steering gear of a steam driven vehicle.

### Performance criteria

- 2.1 The structural components are checked for conformity with organisational requirements.

- 2.2 The running gear is checked for conformity with organisational requirements.

Range may include – drive mechanisms, gear trains, wheels, axles, tyres, flanges, spokes, braking systems, brake rigging.

- 2.3 For road vehicles, the steering gear is checked for conformity with organisational requirements.

Range steering wheel, worm and gear, steering chains, attachments to front axle.

### Outcome 3

Carry out preliminary start-up procedures.

### Performance criteria

- 3.1 Steam boiler and auxiliary equipment are checked for conformity with legal standards, organisational requirements, and any applicable rail safety system or safety case.

- 3.2 Steam boiler and auxiliary equipment are checked for conformity with the organisation's requirements and any safety requirements.

Range items to be checked may include – steam boiler, steam engine, structural components, spark arrestors, auxiliary equipment; documentation to be checked may include – regulatory documents, certificate of fitness, fault sheets.

- 3.3 Stores required for the journey are loaded on the vehicle in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 3.4 Pre-start maintenance and lubrication routines are carried out on steam boiler and engine in accordance with organisational requirements.

Range structural components, running gear, braking systems, auxiliary equipment.

#### Outcome 4

Prepare a steam driven vehicle for operation.

#### Performance criteria

- 4.1 Steam boiler is lit up and brought to working pressure in accordance with organisational requirements.

Range may include – funnel cap removed, ash pan emptied, grate cleared, tubes brushed, boiler water level checked, fires lit, air purged, leakage checked, boiler water level gauges checked, damper control checked.

- 4.2 Control, monitoring, and safety devices are checked in accordance with organisational requirements.

Range may include – safety valves, crack detection grooves on lap seam boilers, fusible plug, boiler water level gauges, pressure gauges, whistle, feed injectors, feed check valves, dampers, cylinder drain cocks, steam and water leakage, throttle and regulating gear, brakes, driving belt, governor.

- 4.3 Steam boiler is warmed up and brought to working steam pressure to enable engine checks to be made.

Range may include – cylinders heated, drained, parts lubricated, running gear slowly turned over, gently trialed.

- 4.4 Procedures to deal with contingencies are explained in accordance with the Rule and organisational requirements.

Range may include – excessive steam pressure, low steam pressure, shortage of water, priming, steam and water leakage, fractured gauge glass, leaking tubes, emergency braking, injector or feed pump operation.

#### Outcome 5

Check steam driven vehicle under working conditions.

**Performance criteria**

- 5.1 The boiler is checked under working pressure and for steam raising capacity and water and steam leakage in accordance with organisational requirements.
- 5.2 Safety valves lifting pressure is verified to be no greater than the working pressure of the boiler and complies with the boiler certification and organisational requirements.
- 5.3 For road vehicles, the steering gear and all moving parts are checked to ensure they perform in accordance with organisational requirements when the vehicle is in motion.

**Outcome 6**

Operate a steam driven vehicle.

**Performance criteria**

- 6.1 Steam boiler and engine are operated in accordance with the Rule and organisational requirements.

**Outcome 7**

Shut down and carry out steam boiler laying up procedures and complete documentation.

**Performance criteria**

- 7.1 Steam boiler is shut down in accordance with organisational requirements.
- Range may include – blowing down, checking for faults and defects, banking or drawing the fire, cooling down, removing the ashes, draining, drying out, capping chimney, brakes applied.
- 7.2 Laying up procedures for steam boiler are carried out in accordance with organisational requirements.
- Range short-term, long-term.
- 7.3 Documentation is completed in accordance with organisational requirements.
- Range logbooks, fault report sheets, inventories.

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**Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference**

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

**Comments on this unit standard**

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