

Title	Describe environmental management fundamentals in a primary products food processing operation		
Level	4	Credits	5

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: the legislative requirements for environmental protection, and elements of an environmental management system, in a primary products food processing operation.
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Classification	Primary Products Food Processing > Primary Products Food Processing - Operational Skills
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and references relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 - Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Health and Safety in Employment Regulations 1995;
 - Resource Management Act 1991;
 - Local by-laws;
 - and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definitions

Organisational requirements – instructions to staff on policies and procedures which are documented in memo, electronic or manual format and are available in the workplace.

Primary products food processing operation – covers a meat, dairy, seafood, fruit and vegetable and honey processing, food and beverage manufacturing, and other related industries.
- 3 All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with organisational requirements.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the legislative requirements for environmental protection in a primary products food processing operation.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe legislative requirements for environmental protection in terms of the purpose of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 1.2 Describe legislative requirements for environmental protection in terms of responsibilities of central and local government through national policy statements and regional and district plans.
- 1.3 Describe legislative requirements for environmental protection in terms of the resource consent application process.
- 1.4 Describe legislative requirements for environmental protection in terms of responsibilities, liabilities and enforcement mechanisms.

Outcome 2

Describe elements of an environmental management system in a primary products food processing operation.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe elements of an environmental management system in terms of purpose and the requirements for implementation.

Range requirements may include but are not limited to – objectives, procedures for identifying environmental aspects, evaluation of associated environmental impacts, record keeping, audit processes, management reviews. evidence of three different environmental management systems is required.

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0022
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Comments on this unit standard

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