

Title	Lead a vegetation fire crew		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for personnel who have responsibility for leading a firefighting crew at vegetation fires.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - demonstrate knowledge of incident ground management for leading a crew at a vegetation fire; - explain crew mobilisation procedures in the event of a vegetation fire; - implement assigned work and allocate tasks at a vegetation fire; - supervise a crew, resources and monitoring at a vegetation fire; and - complete recording and reporting procedures following a vegetation fire.
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Classification	Fire and Rescue Services > Fire and Rescue Services - Vegetation
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	Unit 14564, <i>Demonstrate knowledge of the fire environment on vegetation fire behaviour</i> , or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
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Guidance Information

- 1 Compliance with the fire and emergency agency's Health and Safety policy and procedures is mandatory.
- 2 Assessment against this unit standard must take place under real or simulated conditions.
- 3 Definitions

Fire and rescue emergency agency's requirements refer to policies, procedures and supporting documentation on safety and operation set down by each fire and emergency agency employer or host organisation.

Hazard aligns with its use in the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and the meaning set forth by the Australasian Fire and Emergency Service Authorities Council (AFAC) Bushfire Glossary. The AFAC Bushfire Glossary defines 'hazard' as "a source of potential harm or a situation with potential to cause loss".

Incident Action Plan (IAP) is a statement of the objectives, strategies, and critical functions to be taken at the incident.

- 4 Assessment against outcomes 1, 2, and 5 must be in accordance with the fire and emergency agency's requirements.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of incident ground management for leading a crew at a vegetation fire.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Health and safety of incident ground management requirements are explained.

Range personnel welfare, personnel safety.

- 1.2 The command structure for managing vegetation fires is identified.

- 1.3 The requirements before implementing suppression operations are explained.

Range situation briefing, crew requirements, communications, the Fire and Emergency New Zealand's response requirements, situation reports.

- 1.4 The requirements for safe travel to incidents are described.

Outcome 2

Explain crew mobilisation procedures in the event of a vegetation fire.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Crew mobilisation procedures are explained.

Outcome 3

Implement assigned work and allocate tasks at a vegetation fire.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Hazards are identified and relevant action is taken.

Range fire personnel, briefings.

- 3.2 The work situation is sized up and tasks are allocated with best use of resources in accordance with the IAP.

Outcome 4

Supervise a crew, resources and monitoring at a vegetation fire.

Performance criteria

4.1 Crew are supervised.

Range crew safety and welfare, communications, situation control, delegation of tasks.

4.2 Resources are deployed and recovered in accordance with the IAP.

4.3 The situation is monitored and communicated.

Range fire behaviour, crew performance, fire suppression operations.

Outcome 5

Complete recording and reporting procedures following a vegetation fire.

Performance criteria

5.1 Information is collected and reported.

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Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	16 March 1995	31 December 2023
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Review	3	25 March 2004	31 December 2023
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0039
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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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