National Diploma in Veterinary Nursing

Level **5**

Credits **171**

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2019.

Transition Arrangements

This qualification has been reviewed and replaced by the New Zealand Diploma in Veterinary Nursing (Level 6) [Ref: 2491].

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the qualification is 28 February 2017.

The last date to meet the requirements of the qualification is 31 December 2019 at which point the qualification will be designated discontinued. From that date no results can be reported against the qualification.

For detailed information see Review Summaries on the NZQA website.

This qualification contained a standard that has expired and been replaced by another standard. For the purposes of this qualification people who have gained credit for the expired standard are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standard – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
1313	9694

NZQF National Qualification Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	October 1996	December 1999
Revision	2	December 1996	December 1999
Revision	3	November 1997	December 1999
Revision	4	December 1998	December 1999
Review	5	October 1999	December 2018
Revision	6	June 2007	December 2018
Revision	7	December 2013	December 2018
Review	8	January 2015	December 2018

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Purpose

This qualification recognises the skills and knowledge in veterinary technology required for a person to work as a member of a veterinary team providing technical support for a veterinarian.

Holders of this qualification are able to work unsupervised in the areas of specialist nursing, management of surgical equipment, client education or laboratory practices.

The elective section of the qualification allows recognition of a wide range of skills to reflect the wide range of workplace requirements.

Credit Range

	Compulsory	Elective
Level 2 credits	4	-
Level 3 credits	15	0-10
Level 4 credits	13	0-10
Level 5 credits	66	35-45
Level 6 credits	28	0-10
Minimum totals	126	45

Requirements for Award of Qualification

Award of NZQF National Qualifications

Credit gained for a standard may be used only once to meet the requirements of this qualification.

Unit standards and achievement standards that are equivalent in outcome are mutually exclusive for the purpose of award. The table of mutually exclusive standards is provided on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) website: http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/qualifications-standards/standards/standards-exclusion-list/.

Reviewed standards that continue to recognise the same overall outcome are registered as new versions and retain their identification number (ID). Any version of a standard with the same ID may be used to meet qualification requirements that list the ID and/or that specify the past or current classification of the standard.

Summary of Requirements

- Prior award of National Certificate in Veterinary Nursing [Ref: 0221]
- Compulsory standards
- Elective - A minimum of 45 credits as specified

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Detailed Requirements

Compulsory

The following standards are required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Care

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5188	Induct new staff into the animal facility	6	8
5197	Manage an animal nursing clinic and carry out client services	6	10
7400	Respond to and manage routine problems of canine behaviour	5	4

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Husbandry

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5163	Demonstrate knowledge of, and respond to client requests for advice on, companion animal breeding	4	6
5168	Provide specialist care for paediatric companion animal patients and the mother	4	3
5186	Supervise monogastric animal feeding, and respond to client requests for advice	5	8

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Veterinary Nursing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5159	Provide intensive post-operative care for an animal	5	5
5161	Manage a hospitalised animal patient	5	5
5177	Take radiographs of animals, and process	5	15
5190	Provide emergency first aid for companion animals in the absence of the veterinarian	6	10
5198	Assist in the collection and storage of blood and administration of a blood transfusion to an animal	3	3
5199	Set up an intravenous drip, and manage an animal while on fluid therapy	5	5
5205	Nurse hospitalised caged birds	3	4
5206	Nurse geriatric animals	5	4
5207	Nurse animal patients with specific medical conditions	5	8
5208	Nurse companion animal patients with an infectious disease	5	6
5209	Nurse an intensive care animal patient	5	6

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Humanities > Communication Skills > Interpersonal Communications

ID	Title	Level	Credit
1299	Be assertive in a range of specified situations	2	4
1311	Present and defend an argument orally	4	4
1312	Give oral instructions in the workplace	3	3
9694	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of communication process theory	3	5

Elective

A minimum of 45 credits

- Of which a minimum of 35 credits at Level 5 or above

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Care

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5171	Collect, prepare, and examine blood samples from animals	5	6
5172	Collect and carry out routine examinations on faecal samples from animals	5	5
5173	Collect and carry out routine examinations on urine samples from animals	5	5
5174	Examine an animal for ectoparasites, collect and examine samples	5	4
5175	Collect microbiological samples from animals, and culture or plate out according to sample	5	20
5196	Conduct preventative health clinics for companion animals	6	10

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Animal Husbandry

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5162	Manage a breeding programme for companion animals	4	4

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Veterinary Nursing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
5185	Receive native and exotic animals and birds for rehabilitation, rearing, re-homing, release or disposal	5	4
5210	Nurse an animal patient undergoing chemotherapy treatment	3	3
5211	Prepare and nurse an animal patient undergoing radiotherapy treatment	3	3
5212	Nurse an orthopaedic animal patient	4	5
5217	Assist the veterinarian with ultrasound imaging of an animal	3	3

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ID	Title	Level	Credit
5218	Produce an electrocardiogram (ECG) from an animal	5	4
5219	Perform manual, ultrasonic, and rotodontic dental scaling on small animals	5	5
5220	Set up and maintain an electrocautery unit, and assist with electrocauterisation of animals	3	2
5221	Set up and maintain an endoscope, and assist with endoscopy of animals	3	2

Business > Business Administration > Business Administration Services

ID	Title	Level	Credit
335	Prepare computerised payroll and related administration records using payroll software	4	6

Business > Financial Management > Financial Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
1874	Prepare IRD employer reporting documentation for PAYE, FBT and GST	3	3

Transition Arrangements

Version 7 of this qualification was issued following revision to move standards 355 and 1874 from the compulsory to the elective section. These standards were no longer appropriate in the compulsory section and created a barrier to completion for some candidates. The standards were moved to the elective section so that they could be undertaken if required.

Changes to structure and content

- Standards 335 and 1874 were moved from the compulsory to the elective section of the qualification
- The qualifications credit value was reduced from 181 to 171 credits as a result of the movement of standards from the compulsory to elective section.

For detailed information see Review Summaries on the NZQA website.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this revision. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the Primary Industry Training Organisation at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Previous versions of the qualification

Version 6 was issued following the change of standard setting responsibility from NZQA National Qualifications Services to the Primary Industry Training Organisation. The opportunity was taken to transfer to the latest qualification template and update titles of standards.

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Version 5 was issued following a review to include additional standards and account for changes in the level of standards.

Version 4 was issued following a revision as it comprised standards that had been reviewed and replaced.

Version 3 was issued following a revision in November 1997. Standard 5222 was replaced by standard 7400. Standard 5222 was transferred to the National Certificate in Veterinary Nursing [Ref: 0221].

Other standard setting bodies whose standards are included in the qualification

NZQA

Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the Primary Industry Training Organisation (Incorporated), and the organisation that has been granted consent to assess against standards that meet the requirements of the qualification.

Classification

This qualification is classified according to the classification system listed on the Directory of Assessment Standards (DAS) and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

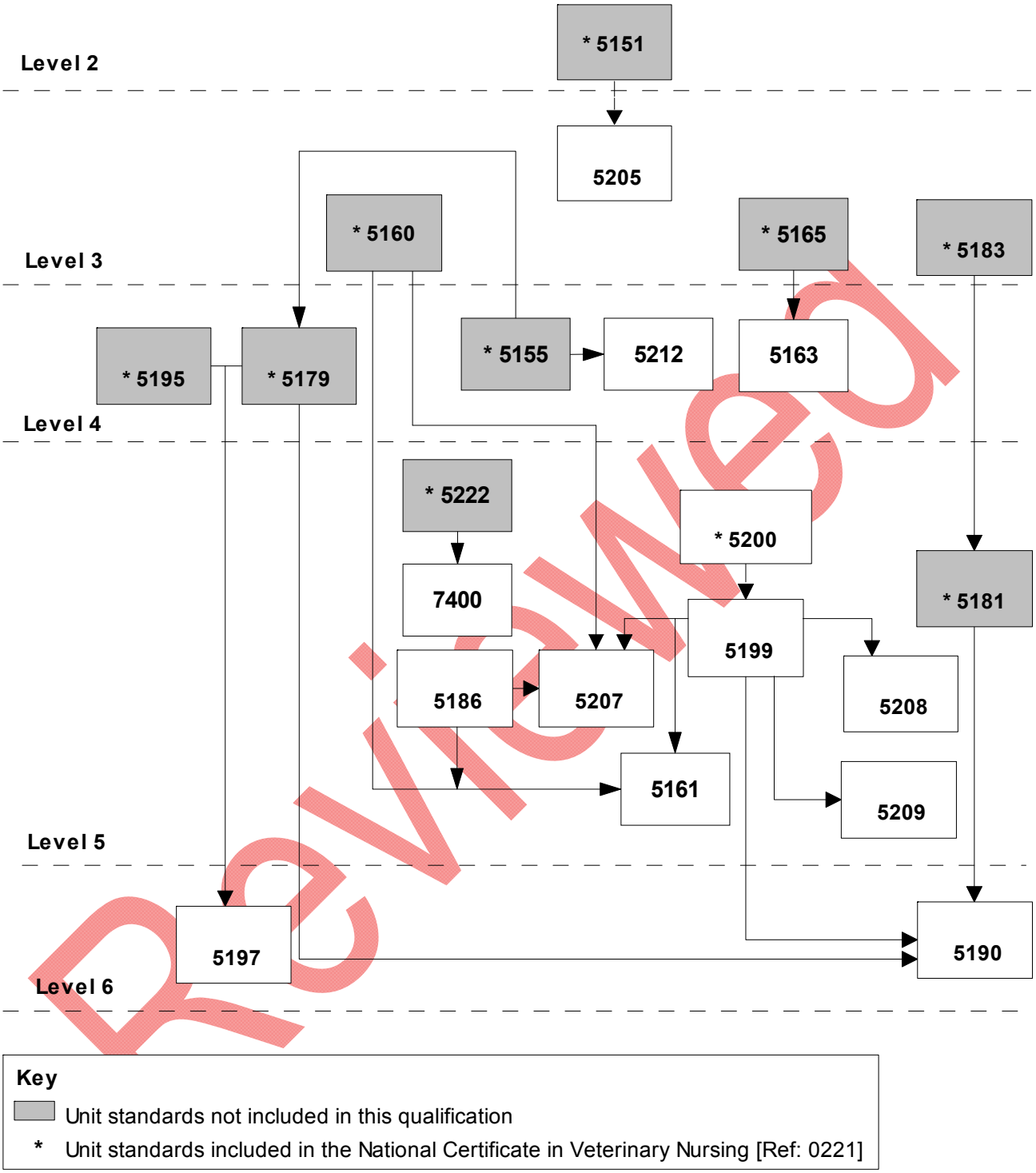
DAS Classification		**NZSCED**	
Code	**Description**	**Code**	**Description**
941	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Animal Care and Handling > Veterinary Nursing	061199	Health > Veterinary Studies > Veterinary Studies not elsewhere classified

Quality Management Systems
Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Organisation with consent to assess and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Consent to assess requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) for each standard.

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Prerequisite diagram



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