

National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture (Sewing) (Level 3)

Level 3

Credits 54

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 New Zealand Certificate in Apparel and Fashion Technology (Level 3) [Ref: 2607].

The last date for entry into programmes leading to this qualification will be 31 December 2017.

For detailed information see [Review Summaries](#) on the NZQA website.

NZQF National Qualification Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	March 2001	December 2003
Revision	2	December 2001	December 2010
Review	3	August 2009	December 2019
Review	4	November 2014	December 2019

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz at the address below.

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Purpose

This qualification is for people working in the Clothing Manufacturing industry as machinists or supervisors. It is designed to recognise the competence required of a sewing machinist to use a range of different sewing machines, meet a specified level of performance, and to assess the development of supervisory skills.

The compulsory section ensures that all holders of the qualification have knowledge of garment construction and workplace practices. The first elective provides options for specialising in Apparel and Cutting and Sewing. The second elective provides the flexibility to allow trainees, providers, and employers to tailor programmes to meet individual skill needs of supervisors or machinists.

This qualification builds on the skills gained in the National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture (Elementary Sewing Skills) (Level 2) [Ref: 1161], and provides a basis for further education and training leading to the National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture (Commercial Sewing Skills) (Level 3) [Ref: 1162] or the National Certificate in Clothing Manufacturing (Level 4) [1506]. The qualification pathway chosen will depend on the type of clothing manufacture workplace each candidate is involved in.

Special Notes

Entry to the qualification is open, but it is recommended that candidates complete the National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture (Elementary Sewing Skills) (Level 2) [Ref: 1161], or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills, prior to starting this qualification.

Credit Range

	Compulsory	Elective A	Elective B
Level 1 credits	-	-	0-3
Level 2 credits	11	-	0-3
Level 3 credits	6	9-27	7-10
Level 4 or above credits	-	0-18	7-10
Minimum totals	17	27	10

Requirements for Award of Qualification

Award of NQF 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 in section 7 of the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) Rules and Procedures publications available at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/acrp/index.html>.

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

- Compulsory standards
- Elective A – A minimum of 27 credits as specified
- Elective B – A minimum of 10 credits as specified

Detailed Requirements

Compulsory

The following standards are required

Manufacturing > Clothing Manufacture > Apparel Cutting and Sewing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
2834	Demonstrate knowledge of garment construction in a learning environment	3	6

Manufacturing > Manufacturing Skills > Apparel and Textile Manufacturing - Workplace Skills

ID	Title	Level	Credit
17914	Demonstrate knowledge of workplace practice in the apparel or textile industry	2	5
17915	Demonstrate knowledge of safe working practices in the apparel or textile industry	2	6

Elective A

A minimum of 27 credits

Manufacturing > Clothing Manufacture > Apparel Cutting and Sewing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
2746	Sew dissimilar fabrics together using an industrial overlock sewing machine	3	6
2747	Sew dissimilar fabrics together using an industrial lockstitch sewing machine	3	6

ID	Title	Level	Credit
2748	Operate and adjust semi-automatic profile machinery to assemble garment parts	3	3
2751	Sew a range of different fabrics using an industrial lockstitch sewing machine	4	9
2752	Sew a range of different fabrics using an industrial overlock sewing machine	4	9
2753	Operate fixed cycle semi-automatic sewing machinery to manufacture garments	3	3
5298	Use industrial lockstitch sewing machines in a commercial clothing manufacturing environment	3	12
5301	Use industrial overlock sewing machines in a commercial clothing manufacturing environment	3	10
17821	Sew zips in garments	3	3

Elective B

A minimum of 10 credits

- Of which a minimum of 7 credits at Level 3 or above
- From anywhere on the NQF

Transition Arrangements

Version 3

Version 3 was issued following a review.

Changes to structure and content

- Expiring standard 5294 was replaced with suggested alternative standard 17821.
- Elective B was changed so that it includes credits from anywhere on the NQF
- Details of standards 2748, 2753, 2834, 5298, and 5301 were updated to reflect changes made at review.

For detailed information see Review Summaries on the NZQA website.

People currently enrolled in a programme leading to the award of version 2 of this qualification may either complete that version or transfer to version 3.

The last date for entry to training programmes or courses for version 2 is 31 December 2009.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
5294	17821

Any candidate who feels they have been disadvantaged by the transition arrangements should in the first instance contact Competenz at the address below.

Previous versions of the qualification

Version 2 was issued to include replacement information as it was one of four qualifications replacing the National Certificate in Clothing Manufacture with strands in Cutting, Design and Patternmaking; Mechanic; and Sewing (Level 3) [Ref: 0073].

Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, Competenz and the accredited organisation.

Classification

This qualification is classified according to the NQF classification system and the New Zealand Standard Classification of Education (NZSCED) system as specified below.

DAS Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
182	Manufacturing > Clothing Manufacture	030107	Engineering and Related Technologies > Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology > Garment Making

Quality Management Systems

Providers and Industry Training Organisations must be accredited by a recognised Quality Assurance Body before they can register credits from assessment against standards. Accredited providers and Industry Training Organisations assessing against standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards. Accreditation requirements and the moderation system are outlined in the associated Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) for each standard.