

National Certificate in Wool Harvesting (Machine Shearing Fine Wool) (Level 3)

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Credits 110

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2020.

Transition Arrangements

This qualification was republished in January 2018 to extend the last date for enrolment from 31 December 2017 to 31 December 2018 and extend the last date of assessment to 31 December 2020.

This qualification has been reviewed and replaced by the New Zealand Certificate in Shearing (Blade/Crossbred/Fine) (Level 3) [Ref: 2400].

The last date for entry into programmes leading to this qualification is 31 December 2018.

People currently working towards this qualification should complete it rather than transfer to the replacement qualification.

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

NZQF National Qualification Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	October 2003	December 2018
Review	2	April 2010	December 2020
Republished	2	March 2012	December 2020
Review	3	April 2014	December 2020
Republication	3	August 2016	December 2020
Republication	3	January 2018	December 2020

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Purpose

This qualification is for people who wish to machine shear fine wool sheep at a sustained output in the New Zealand wool harvesting industry.

All standards in this qualification are compulsory because shearing contains a set of well-defined skills and knowledge that apply across all woolsheds.

Holders of this qualification are able to make accurate judgements on the best gear for sheep conditions; adjust style to maintain the required output, fluency and quality; and build on rhythm and timing to improve average shearing rate. The qualification also recognises the knowledge and skills required to prepare, maintain, and service shearing gear, a shearing handpiece, and shearing plant.

It is recommended that before embarking on this qualification, candidates have either completed the National Certificate in Wool Harvesting (Junior Shearer) (Level 2) [Ref: 1547] or have the appropriate prior skills and knowledge required in order to cope with the demands of this qualification.

This qualification is part of a series developed for the wool harvesting sector. A qualification pathways diagram can be found at the end of this document.

Replacement Information

This qualification is a part replacement for the Machine Shearing Junior and Machine Shearing Intermediate strands of the replaced National Certificate in Shearing [Ref: 0571].

Credit Range

Level 3 credits	110
Total	110

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

Detailed Requirements

Compulsory

The following standards are required

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Wool Harvesting > Shearing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
15044	Prepare combs and cutters for machine shearing	3	30
20103	Maintain and service a shearing handpiece, and check and evaluate the shearing plant	3	10
20112	Machine shear fine wool sheep at a sustained output	3	70

Transition Arrangements

Version 2

Version 2 was republished to provide an exemption from Ref: 1547 for people who have gained award of the replaced qualification, Ref: 1050, with one of the shearing strands.

Version 2 was issued to update content following review of the wool harvesting industry standards and qualifications in September 2009.

Changes to structure and content

- The classification in the title has changed from Shearing to Wool Harvesting.
- Credits for standard 20103 have decreased from 15 to 10 leading to a decrease in total credits from 115 to 110.

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

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

Credit for	Exempt from
15043	20103
15075	20112

This qualification requires prior award of a qualification that replaced an earlier qualification. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained award for the expiring qualification are exempt from the requirement to gain award for the replacement qualification – see table below.

Award for	Exempt from
National Certificate in Wool Harvesting (Level 2) with strands in Machine Shearing Crossbred Wool, Machine Shearing Fine Wool, Blade Shearing, and Wool Handling [Ref: 1050] with Machine Shearing Crossbred Wool or Machine Shearing Fine Wool or Blade Shearing strand	National Certificate in Wool Harvesting (Junior Shearer) (Level 2) [Ref: 1547]

There are no implications for transition.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this review. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the Agriculture Industry Training Organisation at the address below.

Previous version of the qualification

The standards and qualifications for the wool harvesting sector were reviewed in 2003. This qualification is one of seven new qualifications that replaced the National Certificate in Shearing with strands in Machine Shearing Junior, Machine Shearing Intermediate, Machine Shearing Senior, Blade Shearing Intermediate, and Blade Shearing Senior [Ref: 0571]. This qualification was a part replacement for the Machine Shearing Junior and Machine Shearing Intermediate strands.

Certification

This certificate will display the logos of NZQA, the Agriculture Industry Training Organisation 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.

NQF Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
297	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Wool Harvesting	050110	Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies > Agriculture > Wool and Fibre Harvesting

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.

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Qualification Pathways Diagram

