

National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Grain, Seeds, and Crops) (Level 5)

Level 5

Credits 90

Purpose

This qualification is for people working in the rural servicing industry.

People will have the skills to determine soil and fertiliser requirements for growing grains, seeds, and crops, and to advise clients on their crop selection, inputs, and production.

All unit standards in the qualification are compulsory because this sector of the industry involves a set of well-defined skills and knowledge that apply across all rural servicing workplaces.

This qualification builds on the skills recognised by the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Level 3) [Ref: 1254].

On completion of this qualification graduates may progress to other agriculture industry qualifications such as the National Certificate in Agribusiness Management (Agribusiness Resource Management) [Ref: 1187], National Certificate in Agribusiness Management (Business Planning and Financial Management) [Ref: 1186], or the National Diploma in Agribusiness Management [Ref: 0647].

Replacement information

This qualification replaced the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Grain and Seed) [Ref: 0757].

Credit Range

Level 4 credits	45
Level 5 credits	45
Total	90

Requirements for Award of Qualification

This qualification will be awarded to people who have met the requirements of the specified unit standards.

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 the Qualifications Authority *Rules and Procedures* publications available at www.nzqa.govt.nz/ncea/.

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.

Detailed Qualification Requirements**Compulsory**

All the standards listed below are required.

Field Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
 Subfield Agriculture
 Domain Grain, Seeds, and Crops

Id	Title	Level	Credit
9078	Determine soil and fertiliser requirements for growing grain, seeds, and crops	4	20
17332	Advise clients on crop production as a rural service business	4	25
22806	Advise clients on crop or pasture selection and inputs	5	45

Transition Arrangements

This qualification replaced the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Grain and Seed) [Ref: 0757].

Summary of differences between the qualifications

- Level of the qualification increased from 4 to 5.
- Unit standard 17332 added to the qualification.
- Unit standards 17333 and 17334 (previously elective) replaced by 22806 (see exemption table below).
- Unit standards 15, 18, 379, 497, 1277, 11831, 17336, 19121, 19142, 19144, and 17335 (replaced by 22809) are no longer required for the qualification. These standards are included in the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Level 3) [Ref: 1254].
- Unit standards, 407, 3007 and 15608 have been removed, as they are no longer required by industry.
- Unit standards 10891, 10892, 10895, 10896, 10897, 10898, 10899 and 10900 have been reviewed (see review report). These competencies are covered by the National Certificate in Agrichemical Supply (Level 3) with strands in Animal Health Products and Plant Protection Products [Ref: 0325] and are no longer included in any Rural Servicing qualifications.

Candidates partway through the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Grain and Seed) [Ref: 0757] may complete that qualification or transfer to this qualification. They may also transfer to the National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Level 3) [Ref: 1254] or the National Certificate in Agrichemical Supply (Level 3) with strands in Animal Health Products and Plant Protection Products [Ref: 0325]. All qualifications are recognised by the Primary Industry Training Organisation.

The last date for entry to training programmes or courses for the replaced qualification is 31 December 2006. The last date to complete the replaced qualification is 31 December 2008. The last date for award of the replaced qualification is 31 December 2009.

Any person who feels disadvantaged by these transition arrangements should contact the standard setting body at the address listed below.

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

Credit for	Exempt from
17333 and 17334	22806

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

NQF Registration Information

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Award
Registration	1	August 2006	N/A

Standard Setting Body

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Any person or organisation may contribute to the review of this qualification by sending feedback to the standard setting body at the above address.

The review of this qualification is planned to take place in 2011.

Certification

The certificate will display the logos of the Qualifications Authority and the Primary Industry Training Organisation.

Classification

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

NQT Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
1906	Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries/Agriculture/Rural Servicing	050199	Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies/Agriculture/Agriculture not elsewhere classified

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.