

## National Certificate in Diving (Instruction) (Level 6)

<b>Level</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Credits</b>	<b>60</b>

This qualification has been **reviewed**. The last date to meet the requirements is 31 December 2022.

### Transition Arrangements

This qualification has been reviewed and will be replaced by the New Zealand Certificate in Diving (Instruction) (Level 5) [Ref: 3889].

The last date for entry into programmes leading to this qualification is 30 June 2021. The last date of assessment is 31 December 2022, when the qualification will be discontinued.

People currently working towards achievement of this qualification must complete the requirements for this qualification by that date or transition to the replacement qualification.

Any person who feels disadvantaged by these transition arrangements should contact Skills Active Aotearoa at the address below.

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 2007	December 2022
Republished	1	July 2016	December 2022
Review	2	February 2020	December 2022

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This qualification was republished in July 2016 to include reverse transition for expiring standards.

### Purpose

This national certificate recognises the skills of an experienced diving instructor in speciality areas. Holders of this qualification will have demonstrated competence in:

- planning diving activities
- providing the overall instruction required during a diving activity
- instructing clients on specialist dive courses, in rescue diving, night diving underwater navigation, diving off boats, and search and recovery diving
- maintaining client safety.

This qualification has been structured to recognise the diversity in diving workplaces and the nature of work that they undertake. To reflect this, the qualification includes an elective section where candidates are able to choose unit standards relevant to their workplace or career aspirations, eg aquaculture, underwater photography, film and television, recreation, adult education and training, engineering, emergency management, construction, boat building, marine science, maritime, retail, and tourism.

This qualification focuses on the technical and general skills required by diving instructors and builds on the skills and knowledge recognised by the National Certificate in Diving (Foundation Skills) (Level 3) [Ref: 1321] and the National Certificate in Diving (Leadership) (Level 4) [Ref: 1322]. The compulsory unit standards will allow entry to further training in the Underwater Construction such as the National Diploma in Diving (Occupational) (Level 5) [Ref: 1008], Scientific, Recreational Instruction, and Dive Tourism sectors of the industry.

The National Certificate in Diving (Instruction) (Level 6) [Ref: 1323] can enable people to gain employment within the dive tourism sector as a dive instructor.

### Special Notes

A current diving medical statement from a physician in compliance with the Recreational Scuba Training Council's (RSTC) guidelines is required prior to beginning a programme leading to the award of this qualification. This medical statement must remain valid for the duration of the course of study.

Prerequisite: National Certificate in Diving (Leadership) (Level 4) [Ref: 1322], or demonstration of equivalent knowledge and skills.

## Credit Range

	Compulsory	Elective
Level 4 credits	-	0-20
Level 5 credits	-	0-20
Level 6 or above credits	40	0-20
Minimum totals	40	20

## Requirements for Award of Qualification

- Compulsory standards
- Elective – A minimum of 20 credits as specified

### 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.

## Detailed Requirements

### Compulsory

The following standards are required

Community and Social Services > Diving > Diving – Instruction

Id	Title	Level	Credit
8270	Instruct clients on specialist dive courses	6	5
8274	Instruct recreational divers in open water	6	15
8275	Instruct clients on rescue diving	6	5
8277	Instruct recreational divers in underwater navigation	6	2
8279	Instruct clients in night dives	6	3
8283	Instruct clients on search and recovery diving	6	3
8288	Instruct clients on deep diving	6	4
8292	Instruct clients about diving off boats	6	3

**Elective**

A minimum of 20 credits at Level 4 or above

Field	Subfield	Domain
Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries	Seafood	Any
Business	Any	Any
Community and Social Services	Civil Defence	Any
	Community and Workplace Fire and Emergency Management	Any
	Community Recreation	Any
	Diving	Any
	Outdoor Recreation	Adventure Based Learning Outdoor Management Weather Interpretation in the Outdoors
	Sport	Sport Teaching and Coaching
Education	Adult Education and Training	Any
Engineering and Technology	Electrical Engineering	Any
	Engineering	Any
	Gas Industry	Any
	Mechanical Engineering	Any
Health	Emergency Services	Pre-Hospital Emergency Care
	Occupational Health and Safety	Occupational Health and Safety Practice
		Workplace Health and Safety Management
Humanities	Communication Skills	Interpersonal Communications
Māori	Environment Māori	Any
	Ngā Mahi ā te Rēhia	Any
	Seafood Māori	Any
	Tikanga	Any
	Tourism Māori	Any
Planning and Construction	Construction	Any
	Construction Trades	Any
	Surveying	Any
Sciences	Environment	Ecological Management
	Science	Biology
		Chemistry
		Earth Science
		Physics
Science - Core		
Service Sector	Maritime	Navigation and Seamanship

Field	Subfield	Domain
		Sea Survival and Sea Safety
	Retail, Distribution, and Sales	Retail and Distribution Core Skills Sales Transactions
	Tourism	Adventure Tourism Tour and Attraction Guiding Visitor Interpretation

### Transition Arrangements

This qualification is republished to include reverse transition to recognise learners who gained credit for the replacement unit standards.

This qualification contains standards that are expiring and have been replaced. Learners who have gained credit for the replacement standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring standards.

Credit for	Exempt from
28413	8270
28417	8274
28418	8275
28420	8277
28422	8279
28426	8283
28429	8288
28432	8292

### Standard Setting Body

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### Planned Review

This qualification is currently under review as part of a mandatory review of qualifications.

### Certification

The certificate will display the logos of NZQA, Skills Active Aotearoa Limited and the accredited provider.

## Classification

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

DAS Classification		NZSCED	
Code	Description	Code	Description
291	Community and Social Services > Diving	092103	Society and Culture > Sport and Recreation > Sports Coaching, Playing, Officiating and Instructing

### 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. Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) are outlined in the associated CMR for each standard.

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