

## FIELD                      MANUFACTURING

### Review of *Furniture* qualifications

**National Certificate in Furniture (Introduction to General Furniture Manufacturing) (Level 2) [Ref: 0009]**

**National Diploma in Furniture (Management) (Level 6) [Ref: 0321]**

**National Diploma in Furniture (Supervision) (Level 5) [Ref: 0322]**

The NZ Furniture Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualifications listed above that were registered in October 2000.

**Date new versions published**

**August 2005**

**The review of the Level 2 qualification is planned to take place in 2009.**

### Reason for the review

The National Diploma in Furniture (Management) (Level 6) [Ref: 0321], and the National Diploma in Furniture (Supervision) (Level 5) [Ref: 0322] are no longer considered fit for purpose by industry as candidates chose the generic first line management and business qualifications that were already registered on the NQF. On that basis, the NZ Furniture Industry Training Organisation has decided to expire these qualifications.

The industry has recently revised and developed new qualifications in furniture finishing. This process highlighted that the intent of the National Certificate in Furniture (Introduction to General Furniture Manufacturing) (Level 2) was not clearly defined in the qualification's purpose statement. This has now been addressed in the new version of the qualification.

### Main changes resulting from the review

Amendments were made to the purpose statement of the Level 2 qualification to bring it up to date and clarify its intent. The new purpose statement also shows how this qualification links to other qualifications in the furniture subfield. The elective section was divided into three.

### **National Certificate in Furniture (Introduction to General Furniture Manufacturing) (Level 2) [Ref: 0009]**

Changes to structure and content

- Amendments were made to the purpose statement.
- The elective section was divided into three with two of the electives enabling choice of unit standards from anywhere in the furniture subfield and one elective enabling choice from anywhere on the NQF.

### Transition

This qualification was issued following a review. The purpose statement has been reworded to clarify the intent of the qualification and includes information on how this qualification links to other registered qualifications in the furniture subfield. The qualification requirements have been separated into three electives that reflect the same credit totals as the previous versions of the qualification.

There are no transition implications from this change. However, the qualification requires credits from the Furniture subfield, which contains standards that were previously registered in the Furniture Trades subfield.

For the purposes of this qualification, credit awarded in the following domains will be accepted as meeting the qualification requirements.

Credits for standards in	Count towards qualification requirements where the following is specified
Manufacturing>Furniture Trades	Manufacturing>Furniture

### **National Diploma in Furniture (Management) (Level 6) [Ref: 0321]**

This qualification is no longer required by industry and has no replacement.

### **National Diploma in Furniture (Supervision) (Level 5) [Ref: 0322]**

This qualification is no longer required by industry and has no replacement.

The NZ Furniture Industry Training Organisation is unaware of any existing candidates for the two diplomas, and does not anticipate any person will be disadvantaged by their expiry. The last date for their award is December 2006.

### **Appeals**

People who feel disadvantaged by the above changes should contact the NZ Furniture Industry Training Organisation.

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