

**FIELD                    MANUFACTURING****Review of *Meat Processing* qualification****National Certificate in Meat Processing (Slaughter and Dressing) with strands in Slaughter, Evisceration, and Opening and Clearing Skins [Ref: 0694]**

The New Zealand Industry Training Organisation (NZITO) has completed the review of the qualification listed above that was registered in November 1999.

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This qualification has been reviewed following the recently completed review of unit standards within the Meat Processing domains. The unit standard review saw several new unit standards developed; like unit standards rationalised; and changes to unit standard credit and level values. There was also a requirement to restructure the qualification to meet the requirements of new and existing companies that have decided to undertake National Qualifications Framework (NQF) qualifications.

The new version of the qualification was drafted by NZITO in conjunction with the industry's Meat Advisory Group (MAG), which consists of company representatives, providers, and assessors. The Advisory Group considered comments and endorsed version 3 of the qualification in May 2005 after evaluating feedback from the wider industry.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

The review has resulted in major structural change. The core compulsory section has been amended to reflect only the generic skills needed by new employees, and a core elective section has been included to provide flexibility in the skills needed for new and existing participating companies. Strand lists have been removed and replaced with one set of elective unit standards for each strand. The Strand sets incorporate new unit standards and the credit requirements have been adjusted where necessary.

**Changes to structure and content**

- Replacement of expiring unit standards (see table of replacements below)
- Change in credit total from 46-64 to 55-65
- Removal of strand lists and inclusion of a core elective section
- Transfer of unit standards 2503, 2506 and 16506 from compulsory to new core elective section
- Unit standard 17593 added to compulsory section
- Unit standards 1304, 16688, 17024, 18766, 20643, 20644 and 21624 added to new core elective section
- Units 2504, 3097, 9681 and 12624 transferred from strands to new core elective section
- The qualification is now level 2 for all strands.

## Transition

People currently working towards version 1 or version 2 of this qualification may complete that version or transfer their results to version 3. The last date for people to complete version 1 is December 2006 and the last date for people to complete version 2 is December 2007.

All versions of this qualification will be recognised by the New Zealand Industry Training Organisation.

For those people who have partially completed version 1 or 2 and wish to transfer to version 3, the following exemptions apply.

<b>Credit for</b>	<b>Exempt from</b>
One of - 16441, 16445, 16459, 16468, 16476, 16527	20980
One of - 16438, 16444, 16458, 16467, 16477, 16529	20981
One of - 16440, 16443, 16447, 16461, 16470, 16479	20982
One of - 16439, 16442, 16446, 16460, 16469, 16478	20983
One of - 2479, 2491, 2513, 4514, 4521, 4529	21160
One of - 2478, 2484, 2489, 4530, 16462	21326
2485	20199 and 21323

It is not intended that anyone is disadvantaged by this review, and the above arrangements have been designed for a smooth transition. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the standard setting body, at the address below.

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