

FIELD AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES**Review of *Seafood Vessel Operations* qualification****National Certificate in Seafood Vessel Operations (At Sea Processing) [Ref: 0644]**

The Seafood Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above that was registered in July 1999.

Date new version published**December 2006**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2011.

Summary of review and consultation process

This qualification has been reviewed due to a number of seafood unit standards contained within the qualification being reviewed. The review was also undertaken to ensure the qualification meets the current needs of the industry, to recognise the knowledge and skills required to work safely and productively while processing seafood at sea.

A series of meetings with the vessel operations advisory group, a group of representative companies and providers, were held and resulted in several changes to the qualification to better reflect the requirements.

Main changes resulting from the review

- Credit total for compulsory changed from 26 to 48 due to changes in credit totals:
 - from 4 to 7 for standard 5332
 - from 3 to 10 for standard 12309
 - from 3 to 5 for standard 12310
- Standard 20168 was added to the compulsory set, adding an extra 10 credits;
- Standard 12303 was removed and standard 19877 included in the compulsory set;
- Elective A, comprising replaced standards 15677 and 15678 was replaced with standard 20168 in the compulsory set (see table below);
- Elective B renamed Elective A and reviewed standards' credits updated from 5 to 7;
- Elective C renamed Elective B, the lapsed subfield Mahi hi Ika replaced with Seafood Māori, the Seafood subfield opened up so it includes any domain, and the minimum credit requirement reduced from 19 to 5.

There was no change in the overall credit total.

Transition

People currently working towards version 1 of this qualification may either complete the requirements for that version or transfer their results to this version of the qualification. The last date for people to complete version 1 is 31 December 2007.

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

Credit for	Exempt from
15677 or 15678	20168

Appeals

It is not envisaged that any candidate will be disadvantaged by the review. If any candidate does feel disadvantaged they may appeal to:

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