

**FIELD                    AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES****Review of *Agriculture* unit standards**

<b>Subfield</b>	<b>Domain</b>	<b>Id</b>
Agriculture	Grain, Seeds, and Crops	9078, 17332, 17333, 17334
	Livestock Business	9114, 17337-17342
	Rural Servicing	17335, 17336, 17343

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the unit standards listed above that were registered in March 2000.

**Date new versions published**

**June 2006**

**Planned review date**

**December 2011**

**Summary of review and consultation process**

The review took place because the unit standards had passed their anticipated review dates, and feedback from industry had indicated that changes were required to their content, to meet the current industry requirements.

The consultation process commenced with a series of individual interviews throughout New Zealand with livestock companies and rural servicing businesses including PGG Wrightson, CRT, RD1, Farmlands, and Taranaki Farmers. Interviews were carried out by the Agriculture Industry Training Organisation in conjunction with an independent human resource consultancy organisation to identify future industry trends, and current and future industry training requirements.

Consultation included interviews followed by meetings with representatives from the above industry sectors as well as training providers to discuss findings and to confirm industry needs for training.

Unit standards were amended taking feedback from individual interviews and from industry meetings into consideration. Updated unit standards were distributed to the wider rural servicing industry for suggestions and feedback.

Feedback was incorporated and final drafts of the unit standards were endorsed by a representative of the Agriculture Industry Training Organisation Services to the Agriculture Industry Committee.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

- Minor changes have been made to unit standards to meet current registration criteria.
- Credits for unit standard 17336 have decreased to more accurately reflect the time taken to learn, practice, and be assessed for the outcomes in the unit standard.
- The levels for unit standards 17332 and 17336 have increased, and for unit standards 9114, 17338, and 17343 have decreased, to more accurately accord with the level descriptors.
- Unit standards 17333 and 17334, and 17341 and 17342 have been replaced by unit standards 22806 and 22808 respectively.
- An element has been deleted from unit standard 17332.

## Unit standards categorised as category C expire at the end of December 2007.

### Impact on Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP)

Unit standards in domains Grain, Seeds, and Crops and Livestock Business have moved from AMAP 0132 to AMAP 0052. AMAP 0052 has been updated to reflect the changes made to the unit standards.

### Impact on existing provider accreditations

Current Accreditation for			Accreditation extended to		
Nature of accreditation	Classification or Id	Level	Nature of accreditation	Classification or Id	Level
Subfield	Agriculture	2	Standard	17336	3
		3	Standard	17332	4
		4	Standard	22806	5
Domain	Grain, Seeds, and Crops	3	Standard	17332	4
		4	Standard	22806	5

### Impact on existing qualifications

Qualifications that contain the reviewed unit standards or classifications are tabled below.

<b>Affected</b>	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
<b>Not materially affected</b>	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

The following Agriculture Industry Training Organisation qualifications are affected by the outcome of this review and are currently under review.

Qualification title	Classification or standard in the qualification
National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Grain and Seed) [Ref: 0757]	17333, 17334, 17335, 17336
National Certificate in Rural Servicing (Livestock) [Ref: 0758]	9114, 17335, 17336, 17338, 17341, 17342, 17343
National Certificate in Rural Servicing, with strands in Animal Retail, and Plant Retail, and an optional strand in Advanced Fertiliser [Ref: 0759]	17332, 17335, 17336

### Summary of main changes to standards' Ids, classification, titles, levels, and credits

The following summary shows the changes made to the standards as a result of the review. All changes are in **bold**.

Key to review category	
<b>A</b>	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
<b>B</b>	Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
<b>C</b>	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new Id
<b>D</b>	Standard will expire and not be replaced

Subfield Agriculture  
Domain Grain, Seeds, and Crops

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
9078	Determine soil and fertiliser requirements for growing grain, seeds, and crops	4	20	B
17332	Advise growers on crop production as a rural service business <b>Advise clients on crop production as a rural service business</b>	3 4	25	B
17333 and 17334	Recommend cash crop selection and inputs required to growers Advise growers on forage crop selection and production	4 4	65 65	C C
<b>22806</b>	<b>Advise clients on crop or pasture selection and inputs</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>45</b>	

Domain Livestock Business

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
9114	Organise and document the transport of livestock	3 2	2	B
17337	Assess and classify livestock for sale	4	35	B
17338	Demonstrate knowledge of the methods of selling livestock	4	3	C
<b>22807</b>	<b>Demonstrate knowledge of the methods of selling livestock</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	
17339	Arrange for sale of livestock by auction	4	10	B
17340	Arrange and conduct private sales of livestock	4	18	B
17341 and 17342	Arrange for the procurement of livestock for slaughter Procure livestock for slaughter	4 4	25 25	C C
<b>22808</b>	<b>Procure livestock for slaughter</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>25</b>	

Domain Rural Servicing

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
17335	Describe the rural servicing industry and the employing company	2	8	C
<b>22809</b>	<b>Describe the rural servicing industry and the employing company</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	
17336	Describe the legal basis for commercial activity in a rural servicing industry <b>Describe the impact of legislation on commercial activity in the rural servicing industry</b>	2 3	8 4	B
17343	Demonstrate knowledge of livestock feeding for a rural servicing business <b>Demonstrate knowledge of livestock feeding from a rural servicing business perspective</b>	3 2	5	B