

**FIELD            COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES****Revision of *Fire and Rescue Services* unit standards**

<b>Subfield</b>	<b>Domain</b>	<b>Id</b>
Fire and Rescue Services	Fire and Rescue Services – Generic Fire Fighting	3321
	Fire and Rescue Services – Vegetation	3290, 3297, 3299, 10615, 14563, 14564, 20397-20399

The Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation has revised the unit standards listed above.

**Date new versions published**

**November 2006**

**Planned review date**

**March 2008**

**Reason for the revision**

Unit standard 3321 has been revised as a result of feedback that fair assessment may be precluded, as the wording of the unit standard does not measure skill in the order that matches real actions. A number of industry representatives were consulted to gain an overall view of the proposed changes and to ascertain that they would meet assessment requirements.

The remaining unit standards have been updated to reflect changes to legislation and references required by the special notes. It is important that trainees are aware of such changes to ensure they have access to the most current requirements and approaches and that assessment retains currency.

**Main changes resulting from the revision**

The changes to the unit standards are as follows:

- Unit standards 3321 and 14564 were changed so that performance criteria more accurately reflected assessment requirements.
- References in special notes were updated.
- References to legislation were updated.
- Titles were changed to correctly reflect proper names.

**Impact on existing provider accreditations**

None.

**Impact on existing qualifications**

Qualifications that contain the revised standards or classifications are tabled below.

<b>Affected</b>	The qualification lists a revised classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits
<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 Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation qualifications are not materially affected by the changes. They will be updated when they are next reviewed.

Qualification title	Standard in the qualification
National Certificate in Fire and Rescue Services (Vegetation) (Level 4) [Ref: 1183]	20399
National Certificate in Fire and Rescue Services (Vegetation) (Level 6) [Ref: 1185]	20397
National Diploma in Fire and Rescue Services (Vegetation Fire Fighting - Management) (Level 5) [Ref: 0780]	20397

### Summary of main changes

All changes are in **bold**.

Subfield Fire and Rescue Services

Domain Fire and Rescue Services – Generic Fire Fighting

Id	Title	Level	Credit
3321	Lead a petrochemical emergency response team	5	8

Domain Fire and Rescue Services – Vegetation

Id	Title	Level	Credit
3290	Exercise initial response, command, and control for vegetation fire operations	5	4
3297	Manage air operations at vegetation fires	6	8
3299	Provide vegetation fire support services	4	3
10615	Investigate causes of vegetation fires	5	6
14563	Supervise the operation of aircraft at vegetation fires	5	5
14564	Demonstrate knowledge of the fire environment on vegetation fire behaviour	4	3
20397	Demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of a rural fire authority <b>Demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of a Rural Fire Authority</b>	5	8
20398	Issue Fire Permits	4	3
20399	Demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of a rural fire officer and a RFA <b>Demonstrate knowledge of legislated responsibilities of Rural Fire Officers and a Rural Fire Authority</b>	3	2