

FIELD MANUFACTURING**Review of *Printing* qualifications**

National Certificate in Printing (Formed Shapes Letterpress/Dry Offset) (Level 3)
[Ref: 0498]

National Certificate in Printing (Formed Shapes Letterpress/Dry Offset) (Level 4)
[Ref: 0499]

National Certificate in Printing (Production Support) (Level 2) with strands in Carton Cut and Crease, Finishing (Carton), Sheet-fed Offset, Reel-fed Printing, Screen Printing, and Formed Shapes (Letterpress/Dry Offset) [Ref: 0593]

PrintNZ Training (formerly Printing & Allied Industries Training Council) has reviewed the above qualifications.

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The next qualification review of the National Certificates in Printing (Dry Offset) (Levels 3 and 4) [Refs: 0498 and 0499] is planned to take place in 2011.

The next qualification review of the National Certificate in Printing (Production Support) (Level 2) with strands in Carton Cut and Crease, Finishing (Carton), Sheet-fed Offset, Reel-fed Printing, Screen Printing, and Dry Offset [Ref: 0593] is planned to take place in 2009.

Summary of review and consultation process

The qualifications have been amended following a review of industry requirements for the Formed Shapes Letterpress/Dry Offset sector, which included a full review of unit standards as well as all components of the existing training programmes.

A meeting was held in July 2006 and involved PrintNZ Training members and industry representatives. As a result the qualifications have been altered to take account of the changes made to the unit standards and to align them with current business practices.

The review team considered that Dry Offset was a more appropriate description for the sector and the unit standards were reclassified and qualification titles have been changed accordingly.

Main changes resulting from the review

The review process has resulted in the following changes to the qualifications.

National Certificate in Printing (Formed Shapes Letterpress/Dry Offset) (Level 3)
 [Ref: 0498]

National Certificate in Printing (Dry Offset) (Level 3) [Ref: 0498]

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Changes to structure and content

- Title has changed.
- Purpose statement has been updated.
- Titles of unit standards have been updated to reflect the outcome of their review.
- Unit standard 23408 replaced unit standard 12371.
- Unit standard 2281 has been added to give candidates an overall introduction to the printing industry.
- Credit total has increased from 86 to 93.

All new trainees will be enrolled in training programmes leading to version 3 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in training programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 3 under the guidance of PrintNZ Training. 31 December 2010 is the last date for assessment for versions 1 and 2.

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

Credit for	Exempt from
12371	23408

National Certificate in Printing – Formed Shapes (Letterpress/Dry Offset) (Level 4)
[Ref: 0499]

National Certificate in Printing (Dry Offset) (Level 4) [Ref: 0499]

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Changes to structure and content

- Title has changed.
- Purpose statement has been updated.
- Titles of unit standards have been updated to reflect the outcome of their review.
- Unit standard 12380 has been removed.
- Credit total has decreased from 82 to 57.

All new trainees will be enrolled in training programmes leading to version 3 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in training programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 3 under the guidance of PrintNZ Training. 31 December 2010 is the last date for assessment for versions 1 and 2.

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

Credit for	Exempt from
339	20057

National Certificate in Printing (Production Support) (Level 2) with strands in Carton Cut and Crease, Carton Forme Making, Finishing (Carton), Sheet-fed Offset, Reel-fed Printing, Screen Printing, and Formed Shapes (Letterpress/Dry Offset) [Ref: 0593]

National Certificate in Printing (Production Support) (Level 2) with strands in Carton Cut and Crease, Finishing (Carton), Sheet-fed Offset, Reel-fed Printing, Screen Printing, and Dry Offset [Ref: 0593]

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Changes to structure and content

- Titles, levels, credits, and classifications have been updated to reflect the outcome of the reviews.
- Title of the Formed Shapes (Letterpress/Dry Offset) strand has changed to Dry Offset strand.
- Unit standard 23408 replaced unit standard 12371.
- Unit standard 23445 (Level 3:Credit 15) replaced unit standard 3675 (Level 2:Credit 10).
- Minimum credit total has increased from 54 to 59.
- The Carton Forme Making strand has been removed. However, a National Certificate in Printing (Paperboard Packaging (Carton): Carton Forme Making) (Level 3) [Ref: 0045] is available.

All new trainees will be enrolled in training programmes leading to version 10 of the qualification. People currently enrolled in training programmes leading to an earlier version may either complete that version, or transfer to version 10 under the guidance of PrintNZ Training. 31 December 2009 is the last date for assessment for versions 8 and 9. People currently enrolled in the Carton Forme Making strand may complete their existing programme, or transfer to the National Certificate in Printing (Paperboard Packaging (Carton): Carton Forme Making) (Level 3) [Ref: 0045].

This qualification contains unit standards that replaced 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
3675	23445
3676	18244
5127	21328
10911	18247
12371	23408
351 or 16508	20424
2254 or 16510	20667

General transition

It is anticipated that no existing trainees are disadvantaged by these transition arrangements.

Any person who feels disadvantaged by these provisions is invited to contact PrintNZ Training at the address below.

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Key to Qualification Review Categories

Category A The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID	Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement
	No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification
	No transition arrangements are required
Category B The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID	Changes are made to title, rules or components
	The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that recognised by the previous version
	The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are comparable in terms of competence
	Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version
Category C A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NQF ID	Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components, structure, type or level
	The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification
	Transition arrangements are required
	Transition may be limited to phase-out dates
Category D Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification	Qualification is no longer required by industry
	The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set