

FIELD COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES**Revision of *Caving* qualification****National Certificate in Caving (SRT Cave Guiding Instruction) (Level 4) [Ref: 1192]**

The Sport Fitness and Recreation Industry Training Organisation (Sfrito) has revised the qualification listed above.

Date new version published**November 2007**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2009.

Reason for the revision

Feedback from industry indicates that assessment of learning as described in unit standards 4098 and 11281, is not a key skill requirement for single rope technique (SRT) Cave Guide Instruction. As these skills are not commonly required, the inclusion of these unit standards in the National Certificate in Caving (SRT Cave Guide Instruction) is creating a barrier to completion of the qualification. The industry has recommended the removal of unit standards 4098 and 11281 and the addition of unit standard 19426, which covers leadership skills when guiding adventure tourism activities.

Main changes resulting from the revision

Changes to structure and content

- Credit total reduced from 78 to 75
- Purpose statement changed to remove reference to assessment
- Unit standards 4098 and 11281 removed
- Unit standard 19426 added.

Transition

People currently working towards version 1 of this qualification or the Caving Strand of the National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Instruction) with strands in Adventure Based Learning, Kayaking, Mountaineering, Single Pitch Rock Climbing, and Tramping [Ref: 0733] 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 2009.

The last date for people to complete the Caving Strand that was in version 1 of the National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Instruction) with strands in Adventure Based Learning, Kayaking, Mountaineering, Single Pitch Rock Climbing, and Tramping [Ref: 0733] is 31 December 2008.

It is not intended that anyone is disadvantaged by this revision and the above arrangements have been designed for a smooth transition. Anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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