

FIELD MANUFACTURING

Review of *Printing Administration* qualification

National Certificate in Printing Administration (Level 4) [Ref: 0912]

PrintNZ Training has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Date new versions published **April 2008**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2013.

New qualifications

National Certificate in Print Industry Management (Level 5) [Ref: 1376]

National Diploma in Print Industry Management (Level 5) [Ref: 1377]

Summary of review and consultation process

This review formed part of a review of the *Printing Administration* domain unit standards and qualification.

The National Certificate in Printing Administration (Level 4) [Ref 0912] was considered and a notice of the intended review was placed in the PrintNZ Training newsletter. A survey was posted on PrintNZ Training's website and sent to all relevant industry bodies including PrintNZ; NZ Print Finishers Association; NZ Paperboard Packaging Association; Newspaper Publishers Association; Employers, Printing and Manufacturers Union; Self Adhesive Label Manufacturers Association; Trust 4 Skills; Business Forms Association of NZ; NZ Paper Forum; and the Graphic Arts Pre-press Federation.

Feedback was received, collated and presented to a panel, which included trainees, assignment markers, registered workplace assessors, employers and mentors of the full PrintNZ training programme.

The group was asked to consider the currency of the qualification and its continuing suitability for the industry. It was agreed that the qualification content required more flexibility to recognise the wide range of skills within the industry at this level.

The panel agreed that two new qualifications be developed to allow people to staircase from one to another. The proposed qualifications would be a National Certificate and a National Diploma, both at level 5. People may enter directly into these qualifications or they may already hold other qualifications.

Main changes resulting from the review

As part of the review, two new qualifications were developed to meet industry needs and to provide qualification pathways for candidates in the print industry management sector.

The elective in the previous version of the qualification required the candidate to achieve 30 credits from a given unit standard and/or domain. This elective has been replaced with two electives, requiring the candidate to achieve credits from two specified subfields, providing more flexibility. A third elective has also been included, which will be used as necessary to achieve the required number of credits. Credit total has increased from 50 to 67.

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National Certificate in Print Industry Management (Level 4) [Ref: 0912]

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Transition

Version 2 was issued following a review of the standards and a qualification in the Printing Administration domain.

Changes to structure and content

- Compulsory standard 18614 increased in level from 4 to 5, and in credits from 20 to 25.
- Previously, the elective section required the candidate to achieve 30 credits from the domain *Printing Administration* and/or standard 8085. This was replaced by three new elective sections:
 - Elective 1 requires the candidate to achieve either standard 20057 or a minimum of 10 credits at Level 3 or above from the *Business Operations and Development* subfield.
 - Elective 2 requires the candidate to achieve a minimum of 10 credits at Level 3 or above from the *Printing* subfield.
 - Elective 3 includes the balance of credits to be achieved, if required, to meet the minimum of 67 credits, of which a minimum of 40 credits are at level 4 or above. These may be taken from anywhere on the NQF.
- Credit total increased from 50 to 67.
- Title of qualification changed to reflect the new domain.

All new trainees will be enrolled in training programmes leading to version 2 of the qualification.

People currently enrolled in training programmes leading to the earlier version may either complete that version or transfer to version 2 under the guidance of PrintNZ Training. People who are no longer enrolled but have started the qualification will be transferred to version 2, should they re-enrol.

The final date for assessment of version 1 is December 2012.

PrintNZ Training will advise all candidates currently involved in training programmes of the changes.

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who feels they have been disadvantaged by these transition arrangements should contact PrintNZ Training, which will consider appeals on a case-by-case basis.

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