

FIELD COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES**Review of the Workplace Fire and Emergency Response qualification****National Certificate in Workplace Fire and Emergency Response (Level 2)
[Ref: 0910]**

The Fire and Rescue Services Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Date new versions published**June 2008**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2012.

Summary of review and consultation process

The review was necessary because of the earlier review of unit standards in the Community and Workplace Fire and Emergency Management subfield. This also allowed for a review of the content of the qualification in meeting the diverse needs of workplaces and communities in responding to emergencies.

An advisory group consisting of representatives from across the FRISTO industry coverage was convened to review the content of the qualification. This group also ensured further consultation throughout their respective sectors.

Main changes resulting from the review

The classification in the title has been changed from domain to subfield to reflect the range of industries and environments within which employers and candidates operate.

The focus of the qualification is to meet the fundamental needs of workplace and community prevention of emergencies and response in the event of a workplace or community emergency. It is targeted at ensuring that personnel have a basic understanding of emergency situations when dealing with small emergencies. The structure of the qualification includes flexibility to meet the needs of a diverse range of workplaces and reflects the nature of the workplace or community response.

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Changes to structure and content

- The title changed to reflect subfield
- Standards 1299 and 6400 moved from Elective A to the compulsory section
- Standards 4647 and 16799 removed from the compulsory section
- Standard 10791 removed from Elective A
- Elective A extended to include all standards in the Community and Workplace Fire and Emergency Management subfield, and the Fire and Rescue Services - Generic Fire Fighting domain
- The compulsory section increased from 20 to 21 credits

- The elective section increased from 22 to 23 credits
- The credit total of the qualification increased from 42 to 44 credits.

Transition

People currently working towards version 1 of this qualification may either complete that qualification or transfer their results to this qualification.

For the purposes of this qualification, credit awarded in the following domains will be accepted as meeting the qualification requirements.

Credits for	Exempt from
Community and Social Services > Fire Fighting > Fire Fighting Skills	Community and Social Services > Fire and Rescue Services > Fire and Rescue Services – Generic Fire Fighting

The last date for people to complete the previous version is December 2010.

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
Category C A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NQF ID	Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version
	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
Category D Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification	Transition may be limited to phase-out dates
	Qualification is no longer required by industry
	The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set