

FIELD EDUCATION**Review of *Open and Distance Learning* unit standards**

Subfield	Domain	Id
Generic Education and Training	Open and Distance Learning	10472-10476

NZQA National Qualifications Services (NQS) has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

July 2009

Planned review date

December 2014

Summary of review and consultation process

Generic Education and Training unit standards in the Open and Distance Learning domain were due to be reviewed in December 2005.

Notice of this review was sent to sector stakeholders and feedback sought. A panel was established to review the unit standards. The panel included the national moderator and representatives from Private Training Establishments and Tertiary Education Organisations who had reported achievement against the standards.

The panel made a recommendation for a new domain name and reviewed the standards. Recommended changes to unit standards and the domain name were sent out for wider consultation and endorsement by the sector.

Main changes resulting from the review

- A new domain, 'Open, Flexible, and Networked Learning' has been created to reflect changing terminology and technologies. The standards have been moved into the new domain and the 'Open and Distance Learning' domain has been designated 'expired'.
- Standards 10473, 10474, and 10476 have been designated as category C and replaced by 25779, 25780, and 25781 respectively.
- Special notes have been altered to reflect domain name change.
- Special notes and ranges have been amended to clarify specific terms and concepts, contexts and conditions for assessment.
- Titles, elements, performance criteria and ranges have been amended for greater consistency.
- Credits have been adjusted to reflect more accurately the time requirements in light of actual experience and/or to reflect the changes made at this review.
- Vocabulary and grammar have been changed in elements and performance criteria to clarify meaning, intent and requirements.
- Standard 10475 has been designated expiring and will not be replaced as there has been very low usage.
- The level of standard 10472 has been increased from 3 to 4 to reflect the processes, learning demand and responsibility involved.

Unit standards categorised as category C or D expire at the end of December 2011.

Impact on existing provider accreditations

Current Accreditation for			Accreditation extended to		
Nature of accreditation	Classification or Id	Level	Nature of accreditation	Classification or Id	Level
Domain	Open and Distance Learning	Any	Domain	Open, Flexible, and Networked Learning	Same

Impact on Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP)

AMAP 0045 has been updated to reflect the changes made to the standards.

Impact on existing qualifications

The following NZQA National Qualifications Services qualifications are affected by the outcome of this review and are currently under review.

Qualification title	Classification or standard in the qualification
National Certificate in Adult Education and Training (Level 4) [Ref: 0378]	Open and Distance Learning
National Certificate in Adult Education and Training (Level 5) [Ref: 0379]	
National Diploma in Adult Education and Training (Level 5) [Ref: 0380]	
National Certificate in Adult Literacy Education (Vocational Tutor/Lecturer or Workplace Trainer) [Ref: 1253]	

The following qualification is also affected by the outcome of this review. The standard setting body (SSB) has been advised that it requires revision.

Qualification title	Classification or standard in the qualification	SSB Name
National Diploma in Te Mātauranga Māori me te Whakangungu (Level 5) [Ref: 1141]	Open and Distance Learning	NZQA Māori Qualifications Services (MQS)

Review Categories and changes to classification, title, level and credits

All changes are in **bold**.

Key to review category

- A** Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
- B** Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same Id and a new version number
- C** Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new Id
- D** Standard will expire and not be replaced

Subfield Generic Education and Training
 Domain Open and Distance Learning
Open, Flexible, and Networked Learning

Id	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
10472	Demonstrate understanding required for the provision of open and distance learning	3	3	B
	Demonstrate knowledge of support systems required for the provision of open, flexible, and networked learning (OFNL)	4	5	
10473	Develop open and distance learning materials	6	12	C
25779	Develop materials for open, flexible, and networked learning (OFNL)	5	10	
10474	Manage the design of teaching and learning in open and distance learning materials	6	14	C
25780	Manage the provision of open, flexible, and networked learning (OFNL)	6	15	
10475	Support open and distance learning through teaching and learning technologies	6	12	D
10476	Facilitate student learning in an open and distance learning environment	5	9	C
25781	Facilitate learning in an open, flexible, and networked learning (OFNL) environment	5	9	