

**FIELD                    AGRICULTURE****Review of *On-farm Milk Quality* qualification****National Certificate in On-farm Milk Quality (Farm Dairy Supervisor) [Ref: 1351]**

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

**Date new versions published****May 2009**

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

**Summary of review and consultation process**

This qualification was designed for farm dairy supervisors who manage the maintenance of milk quality and supervise the milking of dairy cows. Version 1 was registered in January 2008. Feedback from industry stakeholders including dairy farmers, veterinarians and industry sector organisations indicated that further training in the management of mastitis would be the logical training progression. Standard 25371 was registered in April 2009 around the skills of developing, implementing and monitoring a mastitis management plan on farm, as well as developing the procedures documents to manage mastitis.

The decision was made to add an optional strand in Mastitis Management to this qualification rather than create a new qualification as the knowledge gained in the compulsory section provides much of the information needed to develop mastitis management action plans. This decision was made after circulating two draft qualifications for internal consultation with key business units and also based on the results of a pilot course held in December 2008. Suggestions were further considered and incorporated if valid. This qualification has been endorsed by the Agriculture Industry Committee prior to submission to NZQA for evaluation and registration.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

An optional strand was added to this qualification.

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**National Certificate in On-farm Milk Quality (Farm Dairy Supervisor) with an optional strand in Mastitis Management [Ref: 1351]**

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Changes to structure and content

- Addition of an optional strand for mastitis management containing standard 25371.

**Transition**

There are no transition consequences arising from this change. Training programmes or courses for version 2 of the qualification may start as soon as the qualification is registered.

## Key to Qualification Review Categories

<b>Category A</b> 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
<b>Category B</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
<b>Category C</b> 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
<b>Category D</b> 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