

FIELD PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION**Review of *Concrete Production* qualification****National Certificate in Concrete Production (Ready-Mixed Concrete) [Ref: 0731]**

The Building and Construction Industry Training Organisation (BCITO) has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

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The next qualification review is planned to take place during December 2014.

Summary of review and consultation process

This review took place as part of the scheduled review cycle and also to transfer the qualification from the *Construction Trades* subfield to the *Concrete* subfield, as part of a review of the entire suite of BCITO concrete industry qualifications.

Consultation with representatives from eight sectors within the concrete industry took place from January 2008, consisting of concrete production industry working party meetings to identify relevant skill sets for each sector. These meetings focused on the standards and qualifications which describe skills related to the ready-mixed concrete sector of the industry, and changes to the standards and qualifications were signed off by this industry working party in June 2009.

This review is part of an ongoing process which is intended to be completed by mid-2010, in which all standards and qualifications relevant to the concrete industry within the *Construction Trades* subfield will be moved to domains within the *Concrete* subfield, and all concrete industry qualifications will be reviewed and reclassified.

Main changes resulting from the review

The qualification was reclassified from the *Construction Trades* subfield to the *Concrete* subfield. The Compulsory section was updated to reflect reviewed standards, to add standards covering safety of machines and equipment, confined space entry, transportation of concrete, testing of concrete, environmental management, standards and codes of practice within the concrete industry, and the Wheels endorsement for driving on a road; and to remove unit standards covering skills no longer required by industry. The Optional standards were altered to include confined space entry and forklift driving, and to remove standards no longer required by industry.

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Changes to structure and content

- Descriptor (Ready-Mixed Concrete) was removed from the title.
- The qualification was reclassified from *Planning and Construction > Construction Trades > Concrete Production* to *Planning and Construction > Concrete > Concrete Production*.
- Credit total for the qualification increased from 72 to 88.
- Purpose statement was amended to more accurately reflect the content and purpose of the qualification.
- Special notes were updated to include prerequisite standards 24879, 24880, 24881, 24882 and 24883, and to remove the requirement for *Communication Skills* standards.
- Standard titles and credits were updated to reflect the outcome of review.
- Standard 26053 replaced standard 12019, standard 26219 replaced standard 12039, and standard 26220 replaced standard 12011.
- Standards 12015, 12997 and 13036 were removed from the Compulsory.
- Standards 2401, 16701, 18426, 26039, 26040, 26055, 26058, 26059, 26063, and 26065 were added to the Compulsory.
- Standards 12023 and 12040 were removed from the Optional standards.
- Standards 17599, 18496 and 26054 were added to the Optional standards.

Transition

People currently working towards earlier versions of this qualification may either complete the requirements for those versions or transfer their results to version 4.

The final date for entry to training programmes for version 3 is 30 April 2010. The last date to meet the requirements for assessment of version 3 is 31 December 2011.

It is the intention of the BCITO that no existing candidate is disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged should contact the BCITO.

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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