

Fields Arts and Crafts and Law and Security

Review of *Police Forensic Photography* qualification and unit standards, and *photography* standard

Qualification

Qualification Title	Reference
National Certificate in Police Forensic Photography	0914

Unit Standards

Subfield	Domain	ID
Photography	Professional Photography – General	18666
Police	Police Forensic Photography	18665, 18667-18671

Learning State Limited has completed the review of the qualification and unit standards listed above.

Date report published

December 2010

Summary of review and consultation process

Learning State Limited consulted with the New Zealand Police about whether the qualification and unit standards met industry requirements. Consultation indicated that the qualification and unit standards were no longer fit for purpose.

Candidates are now able to use the New Zealand Police College's own locally approved course to meet industry requirements through the New Zealand Police Government Training Establishment.

Review of *Police Forensic Photography* qualification

Main changes resulting from the review

The following qualification has been designated expiring and will expire at the end of December 2013.

National Certificate in Police Forensic Photography [Ref: 0914]

Review category	D	See Key to Qualification Review Categories at the end of report
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Transition

The last date for assessments to take place for versions 1 and 2 of the qualification is December 2013. The last date for candidates to enrol in programmes leading to the award of the qualification is January 2011.

Any candidates who enrol or who are enrolled in programmes leading to the award of versions 1 or 2 of the qualification should note that the choice of unit standards from the Elective section is significantly reduced because unit standards 9027-9031 expired in February 2008.

It is not intended that any existing candidates are disadvantaged by this review. However, anyone who feels disadvantaged should contact the standard setter at:

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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

Review of *Photography and Police Forensic Photography* unit standards

Main changes resulting from the review

All of the reviewed unit standards were designated expiring and will not be replaced.

Category D unit standards will expire at the end of December 2013

Impact on registered qualifications

Key to type of impact	
Affected	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
Not materially affected	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

As noted above the following Learning State Limited qualification is *Affected* by the outcome of this review and has also been designated expiring.

Ref	Qualification Title	ID
0914	National Certificate in Police Forensic Photography	18665-18671

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

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

Arts and Crafts > Photography > Professional Photography – General

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
18666	Explain photographic theory	4	8	D

Law and Security > Police > Police Forensic Photography

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
18665	Enhance evidential value of forensic exhibits	4	4	D
18666	Explain photographic theory	4	8	D
18667	Plan and take evidential photographs in a police forensic photography environment	4	8	D
18668	Manage photographic resources in a police forensic photography environment	4	4	D
18669	Assess and record a crime scene	4	10	D
18670	Operate a video camcorder in a police environment	3	2	D
18671	Gather evidence using video and audio equipment in a police environment	4	6	D