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**Revision of *Funeral Services* qualifications****National Diploma in Embalming [Ref: 1329]****National Diploma in Funeral Directing [Ref: 1330]**

The Funeral Service Training Trust of New Zealand (FSTT) has revised the qualifications listed above.

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

**Reason for the revision**

The qualification was revised to update Unit 2780, *Demonstrate and apply knowledge of a personal computer system*. The level changed from Level 2 to Level 1 and the credits were reduced from 9 to 3 when it was last reviewed.

Also the expiry dates of the National Certificate in Embalming [Ref: 0289], the National Certificate in Funeral Directing [Ref: 0290], and the National Diploma in Funeral Services [Ref: 0459] had previously been changed from December 2010 to December 2011, therefore the transition arrangements in [Ref: 1329] and [Ref: 1330] needed to be updated to reflect this change.

**Main changes resulting from the revision**

The level and credit value of standard 2780 was updated in both qualifications and the total credits for the qualifications were adjusted accordingly.

**National Diploma in Embalming [Ref: 1329]**

Changes to structure and content

- Total credits for the qualification decreased from 175 to 169
- Version 1 transition arrangements were updated to indicate that the expiry date for the National Certificate in Embalming [Ref: 0289] and the National Diploma in Funeral Services [Ref: 0459] had been extended to December 2011.

**National Diploma in Funeral Directing [Ref: 1330]**

Changes to structure and content

- Total credits for the qualification decreased from 174 to 168
- Version 1 transition arrangements were updated to indicate that the expiry date for the National Certificate in Funeral Directing [Ref: 0290] and the National Diploma in Funeral Services [Ref: 0459] had been extended to December 2011.

**Transition**

There are no transition consequences resulting from this revision. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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