

**FIELD                    MANUFACTURING****Review of *Composites* qualification****National Certificate in Composites (Level 3) [Ref: 1157]**

The Boating Industry Training Organisation (BITO) has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

**Date new versions published****July 2010**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2015.

**Summary of review and consultation process**

This qualification was reviewed to align it with current industry practice and requirements and also to create better pathways between the Level 3 and Level 4 qualifications.

The review advisory group included employers who take part in training and workplace observation, and BITO assessors. The group considered the suitability of the standards in the qualification. Additional stakeholders were consulted via email.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

Some of the standards in the Engineering Core Skills domain were replaced by standards in the Boatbuilding domain because they are more fit for purpose. Some standards were transferred between the compulsory and elective sections to provide flexibility and relevance for all candidates. Some standards were removed because they were no longer fit for purpose.

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Changes to structure and content:

- The credit total of the qualification increased from 79 to 97.
- Standards 497, 2395, 2396, 2824, 4432, 4433, and 15848 were removed from the Compulsory section.
- Standard 3169 was moved from the Compulsory section to the Elective section.
- Standards 414, 2364, 2727, 2731, 3172, 3173, 3174, 3180, 3193, 3196, 3198, 9184, 20597, 20613, and 20917 were removed from the Elective section.
- Standards 3162, 3183, 3190, 3192, and 3271 were moved from the Elective section to the Compulsory section.
- Standards 4249, 9677, 18158, 18159, 19504, and 23244 were added to the Compulsory section.
- Standards 3181, 11788, 18160, and 23049 were added to the Elective section.

## Transition

People working towards versions 1 or 2 of this qualification may either complete the requirements of that version by December 2012 or transfer their results to this version of the qualification.

The above arrangements have been designed to provide a smooth transition between versions. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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## 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