

**FIELD                    AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES****Revision of *Sports Turf* qualification****National Certificate in Sports Turf Management (Level 4) [Ref: 0203]**

The New Zealand Sports Turf Industry Training Organisation (NZSTITO) has revised the qualification listed above.

**Date new versions published****May 2010**

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

**Reason for the revision**

The revision was carried out because the development of the new NZSTITO qualification, the National Certificate in Sports Turf (Level 5) [Ref: 1558], impacted on this qualification.

Changes were required to clarify: the roles for supervisory tradespersons in sports turf management (the target group); possible NQF qualification pathways; and the relationships with the National Certificate in Sports Turf (Level 5) [Ref: 1558] and the National Diploma in Sports Turf Management (Level 6) [Ref: 1272].

Candidates who complete this qualification now have the capability of progressing to the National Certificate in Sports Turf (Level 5) [Ref: 1558] (a smaller, more achievable package of learning) before progressing on to the National Diploma in Sports Turf Management (Level 6) [Ref: 1272] (currently under review).

Changes were also required to update details for standards from National Qualification Services (NZQA), and to meet current technical criteria.

**Main changes resulting from the revision****National Certificate in Sports Turf Management (Level 4) [Ref: 0203]**

Changes to structure and content

- The purpose statement was updated to clarify the target group for the qualification, and to highlight possible pathways and portability of credit to other related NQF qualifications.
- Details of standards 1304, 2780 and 2784 from National Qualification Services (NZQA) were updated to reflect changes made at review.

**Transition**

Training programmes or courses for version 7 of the qualification may start as soon as the qualification is registered.

All existing candidates may either complete version 6 of the qualification or transfer their results to version 7. The last date for assessment for version 6 is 31 December 2015.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards – see table below.

<b>Credit for</b>	<b>Exempt from</b>
14	22174, 22175
823	21560, 21563
1162	25111, 25112
5059	21554
5060, 5064	21564
5066	21558
19043	24552

This qualification contains a classification that replaced an earlier classification. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for standards in the expiring classification may continue to use those credits to meet the qualification requirements.

<b>Standards from</b>	<b>Are treated as Standards from</b>
Engineering and Technology > Highway Construction and Maintenance > Temporary Traffic Control	Engineering and Technology > Highway Construction and Maintenance > Temporary Traffic Management

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this revision. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the standard setting body at the address below.

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