

FIELD COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES**Review of *Outdoor Recreation* qualification****National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Group Leadership) (Level 3) [Ref: 0449]**

Skills Active Aotearoa Limited has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Replacement qualification

National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Leadership) with strands in Abseiling, Bush-Walking, Kayaking, Mountain Biking, Rock Climbing, and Sea Kayaking [Ref: 1594]

Date new versions published**October 2010**

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

Summary of review and consultation process

In 2007, the NZ Outdoor Leader Standards & Qualifications Alignment Project Advisory Group recommended a review of qualifications within the outdoor recreation sector to rationalise overlaps, create a clear qualification pathway and address identified gaps. The review focused on replacing the existing Level 3 qualification in outdoor recreation with a new entry-level qualification to meet an identified gap.

The draft qualification was circulated for internal and external feedback. External feedback was provided by the Mountain Safety Council, NZ Outdoor Instructors Association, Outdoors New Zealand, Education Outdoors New Zealand, secondary schools, tertiary training providers, assessors, employers and other Industry Training Organisations. Suggestions arising from this consultation were incorporated.

A final draft was placed on the website for wider consultation with all stakeholders and additional feedback was incorporated.

Main changes resulting from the review

- The National Certificate in Outdoor Recreation (Group Leadership) (Level 3) [Ref: 0449] has been replaced with a new qualification.

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Transition

Differences between the expiring qualification, [Ref: 0449], and the replacement qualification, [Ref: 1594]

- The overall credit requirements for all strands except Sea Kayaking in [Ref: 1594] are 6 credits less than the overall credit requirements for [Ref: 0449].

- The overall credit requirements for the Sea Kayaking strand in [Ref: 1594] is 5 credits greater than the overall credit requirements for [Ref: 0449].
- [Ref: 1594] is a stranded qualification; whereas [Ref: 0449] consisted of a Compulsory and Elective section only.
- Although [Ref: 1594] does not include the Elective set that was previously in [Ref: 0449], the strands in [Ref: 1594] contain standards that are generally classified in the *Outdoor Recreation* subfield specified in the Elective section of [Ref: 0449].
- Standards 455, 4573, 20142, 20145, 20147, and 20160 from the Compulsory section of [Ref: 0449] were not included in the Core Compulsory section of [Ref: 1594].
- Standards 424, 6400-6402, 20143, 20146, and 20159 from the Compulsory section of [Ref: 0449] were included in the Core Compulsory section of [Ref: 1594].

Existing candidates enrolled on programmes leading to the award of version 3 of the expiring qualification, [Ref: 0449], may complete that version or transfer their results to the replacement qualification, [Ref: 1594].

The last date for assessments to take place for version 3 of the expiring qualification is 31 December 2012.

All new candidates will be enrolled on programmes leading to the award of the replacement qualification, [Ref: 1594].

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.

Credit for	Exempt from
435	20159
452, 456	20143
5560	12407
14223	26237, 26239
20142	26391

Any candidate who thinks they have been disadvantaged by these arrangements should, in the first instance, contact Skills Active Aotearoa Limited 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