

FIELD SERVICE SECTOR

Review of *Adventure Tourism* qualification

National Certificate in Adventure Tourism (Level 4) [Ref: 1099]

The Aviation, Tourism and Travel Training Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Date new version published

October 2010

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

Summary of review and consultation process

Representatives of the Adventure Tourism industry, including Skills Active Aotearoa Limited, the Tourism Industry Association, the parachute, quad biking, horse trekking, and off-road industries, and a training provider, met to determine the suitability for purpose of the National Certificate in Adventure Tourism (Level 4) [Ref: 1099]. The meeting aimed to create a qualification covering the skills of managing and leading adventure tourism activities safely and providing an enjoyable tourism experience to clients. Industry indicated there was a requirement to place a strong emphasis on the tourism and safety management aspects of adventure tourism, particularly given the results of the government review of risk management and safety in the adventure tourism sector. The reviewed qualification was circulated to the advisory group and endorsement was obtained.

Main changes resulting from the review

Changes were made to structure of the Elective section. New standards were added and expiring standards were replaced.

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Changes to structure and content

- The overall credit value of the qualification decreased from 92 to 73 credits.
- Standards 451, 12406, 12407, 20160, 20161, 23759, 23764, 25352, and 25852 were added to the Compulsory Section.
- Standard 12409 was replaced by standard 25988 in the Compulsory section.
- Standards 6400-6402, 18310, 18313, 18365, and 19424 were removed from the Compulsory Section, but can still be used to meet the requirements of the Elective section.
- The Elective section was reorganised so that it consists of one Elective set that was expanded to recognise a range of activities and skills in the outdoors.

Transition

People currently enrolled in programmes leading to the award of versions 1 or 2 of this qualification may either complete those versions or transfer their results to version 3. The last date for assessments to take place for version 1 is 31 December 2010. The last date for assessments to take place for version 2 is 31 December 2011.

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	20160
436, 437	20161
12409	25988
17755	19426
18223	23759

It is the intention of the Aviation, Tourism and Travel Training Organisation that no existing candidate should be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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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