FIELD AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

Revision of *Forestry* qualification

National Certificate in Forestry (Generic Skills - Workplace Safety and Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1409]

The Forest Industries Training and Education Council (FITEC) has revised the qualification listed above.

Date new version published

January 2011

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2013.

Reason for the revision

Feedback from assessors indicated that many candidates enrolling in programmes leading to the award of the qualification already held credit for expiring versions of the all terrain vehicle and all terrain utilities standards, and the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards was becoming a barrier for candidates. As a consequence, a revision of the qualification was required to add exemptions from the replacement standards included in the qualification.

Other changes to the qualification were also required to replace expiring first aid standards, and to update the title, level, and credit value of a standard that had changed following its review.

Main changes resulting from the revision

The exemption table was amended, expiring first aid standards 6400-6402 were replaced, and the title, level, and credit value of standard 6917 were updated.

Changes to structure and content

- Title, level, and credit value of standard 6917 were updated to reflect changes made to the standard following its review.
- Expiring standards 6400-6402 were replaced by standards 26551 and 26552.
- The exemption table was amended to include new exemptions.

Transition

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
1241	23000
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
6949	22998

Credit for	Exempt from	
13108, 13109	22994	
17757, 17760, 17761	22997	
19057	24556, 24557	
19058	24558, 24559	
19059	24560, 24561	
19060	24562, 24563	

People currently working towards version 2 of this qualification may either complete the requirements for that version or transfer their results to this version of the qualification. The last date for entry to training programmes or courses for version 2 is March 2011. The last date for assessments to take place for the replaced version is December 2013.

It is not intended that any existing candidate be disadvantaged by these arrangements. However, any candidate who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to FITEC – see contact details below.

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