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**Review of *Maritime* qualification****National Certificate in Maritime (Commercial In-shore Vessel Deckhand) [Ref: 0525]**

Competenz has completed the review of the qualification above.

**Date new version published****March 2011**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2016.

**Summary of review and consultation process**

It was identified by the Maritime Strategic Advisory Group of Competenz that this qualification required updating to meet current industry requirements. Version 3 was developed to take account of a review of the unit standards in the domains *Navigation and Seamanship* and *Sea Survival and Sea Safety* and also to align to the current Maritime New Zealand Certificate of Competency in Certificated Deckhand.

During the review of the unit standards and qualification, an additional need was identified to include training requirements for a Deck Rating in the qualification. As a result, the qualification was stranded to cover both Deckhand and Deck Rating training requirements.

Industry experts, representing maritime employers, training providers, workplace assessors, Maritime New Zealand and the Seafood Industry Training Organisation, met several times in 2009 and 2010 to develop this version of the qualification. This reviewed version was then endorsed by the Maritime Strategic Advisory Group of Competenz in August 2010.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

The qualification structure has been amended to include two strands, a Certificated Deckhand strand and a Deck Rating strand; with only one strand needed for award of the qualification.

An optional standard, 26541, was included in the qualification to allow those who achieve it to reduce the sea service component required for the Maritime New Zealand Certificate of Competency in Certificated Deckhand in accordance with the Maritime Rule Part 32.3A.

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**National Certificate in Maritime (Level 2) with strands in Certificated Deckhand, and Deck Rating [Ref: 0525]**

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## Changes to structure and content

- Structure of the qualification has been changed to include two strands; Certificated Deckhand and Deck Rating.
- The title has changed to take account of the structure changes.
- Qualification credit total has decreased from 59 to 44.

- First aid standards 6400-6402 have been replaced with new standards 26551 and 26552; these have been placed in the Compulsory section along with other standards from the previous version of the qualification that are common to both strands.
- Standard 19491 has been substituted for standard 19492 and has been specified in the Certificated Deckhand strand.
- Standard 6914 has been replaced by standard 26541, which is an optional standard for Certificated Deckhand strand.
- A new standard, 26236, has been included in the Certificated Deckhand strand.
- Standard 20029 has been removed from the qualification.

## Transition

Training programmes or courses leading to version 3 of the qualification may start as soon as the version is registered. All new trainees will be enrolled in programmes leading to the award of version 3 of the qualification.

The last date for assessments to take place for version 2 of the qualification is December 2012. People currently working towards that version are encouraged to complete the qualification requirements before that date. Alternatively, they may transfer their credits to version 3 of the qualification.

This qualification contains standards that replace earlier standards. For the purpose of this qualification people who have gained credit for the expiring standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement standards.

Credit for	Exempt from
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
6914	26541

All versions of this qualification are recognised by Competenz.

Competenz will publish these arrangements in the trade press, on the Competenz website <http://www.competenz.org.nz>, and communicate directly with trainees and their employers.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this review, and the above arrangements have been designed for a smooth transition. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz at the address below.

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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