

FIELD SCIENCES**Revision of *Conservation* qualification****National Certificate in Conservation (Trainee Ranger) (Level 3) [Ref: 0642]**

Learning State Limited has revised the qualification listed above.

Date new version published**March 2012**

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2014.

Reason for the revision

Version 4 was issued following the review of unit standards and domains undertaken by other Standard Setting Bodies in order to maintain achievability for candidates and ensure content better reflected the current needs of the industry.

Main changes resulting from the revision

Expiring standards included in the qualification were removed or replaced and the classifications, titles, credit values and levels of the reviewed or revised standards were updated to reflect changes.

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- Total credit value of the qualification increased from 133 to 136 credits.
- Standards 6401 and 6402 were replaced by standards 26551 and 26552; and standards 6915, 19056, 19057, 19058, 19059, 19060, 16082 and 21564 were replaced by standards 26542, 24554, 24557, 24559, 24561, 24563, 26037 and 27215 respectively.
- *Fencing* unit standards 19124, 19125, and 19126 were removed from the qualification.
- *Biology* unit standards 6294 and 6311 were removed from the qualification.
- Elective 1 was changed to include 11 credits at Levels 1 to Level 4 from the *Biology* domain. Note that unit standards 6314 and 6315 from Elective 1 in version 3 may be used towards meeting the requirements of Elective 1 in version 4.
- Credit values for standards 3286, 3287, and 20159 were updated.
- Title, level, and credit value for standard 6917 were updated.
- Titles of standards 57, 111, 424, 2784, and 20159 were updated.
- Reverse transition was added for version 3.

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
6401	26552
6402	26551
19056	24554
19057	24557
19058	24559
19059	24561
19060	24563

Existing candidates currently working towards version 3 of the qualification can complete that version or transfer to version 4. There will be no new enrolments into version 3 of this qualification. All new candidates will be enrolled into version 4.

The last date for assessments to take place for version 3 of this qualification is December 2013.

Training programmes for version 4 of the qualification may start as soon as the qualification is registered.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this revision. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Learning State Limited at the address below:

Reverse Transition

People currently working towards version 3 of this qualification may either complete that version by December 2013 or transfer to version 4. People who wish to complete version 3 should note, however, that they must complete unit standards 6294 and 6311 before they expire on 31 December 2012. Reverse transition arrangements for expiring and expired standards are detailed below.

For the purposes of version 3 of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the replacement standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring or expired standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
24553	19056
24554	19056
24555, 24556, 24557	19057
24558	19058
24559	19058

Credit for	Exempt from
24560	19059
24564	19059
24562	19060
24563	19060
24832, 24833	19124
24834	19125
24836	19126
24837	19126
26037	16082
26542	6915

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