

Field Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries**Revision of *Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries* unit standards**

Subfield	Domain	ID
Agriculture	Sheep Farming	577
Wool Harvesting	Shearing	25853

The Agriculture Industry Training Organisation (Agriculture ITO) has completed the revision of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published**March 2012****Planned review dates**

577	December 2012 (unchanged)
25853	December 2014 (unchanged)

Summary

Unit standards 577 and 25853 were revised to remove barriers to assessment for blade shearing trainees resulting from specific reference to machine shearing.

The changes reflect the original intent of the standards and have been raised and agreed to by key stakeholders.

Main changes

- The references to machine shearing were removed from standards 577 and 25853.
- The explanatory notes in standard 25853 have been amended to clarify assessment conditions relating to the performance standard (maximum time allowed to continuously shear three sheep).
- References have been updated.
- The last date for assessment of superseded versions of these standards is 31 December 2013.

Impact on registered qualifications

Key to type of impact	
Affected	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
Not materially affected	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

The following Agriculture ITO qualifications are impacted by the outcome of this revision and have been updated.

Ref	Qualification Title	ID
1434	National Certificate in Agriculture (Level 2) with strands in Cattle Farming, Dairy Farming, Deer Farming, and Sheep Farming	577
1437	National Certificate in Agriculture (Stockmanship) (Level 3)	577
1438	National Certificate in Agriculture (Animal Health and Husbandry) (Level 3) with strands in Cattle Farming, and Sheep Farming	577
1509	National Certificate in Farming Skills (Work Ready) (Level 3)	577
1546	National Certificate in Wool Harvesting (Entry) (Level 2) with strands in Learner Shearer, and Learner Wool Handler	577, 25853

The following table identifies qualifications developed by other SSBs that are impacted by the outcome of this revision. The SSB has been advised that the qualification requires revision.

Ref	Qualification Title	Classification or ID	SSB Name
1667	National Certificate in Primary Sector (Level 1)	577	New Zealand Horticulture Industry Training Organisation

Detailed list of unit standards – classification, title, level, and credits

All changes are in **bold**.

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Agriculture > Sheep Farming

ID	Title	Level	Credit
577	Dag and crutch sheep by machine with prepared equipment Dag and crutch sheep with prepared equipment	2	5

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Wool Harvesting > Shearing

ID	Title	Level	Credit
25853	Machine shear sheep under supervision Shear sheep under supervision	2	6