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Revision of *Lifting Equipment* qualifications

National Certificate in Rigging with strands in Basic Rigging, Intermediate Rigging, and Advanced Rigging [Ref: 0111]

National Certificate in Industrial Rope Access (Elementary Rope Skills) (Level 3) [Ref: 1016]

National Certificate in Scaffolding (Elementary) (Level 3) [Ref: 1352]

The Skills Organisation has revised the qualifications listed above.

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The mandatory review of the qualifications is currently occurring and is due to conclude in 2013.

Reason for the revision

The above qualifications have been revised as they contain expiring standards. This revision will ensure they remain achievable until the New Zealand qualifications that have been granted approval to develop as part of the mandatory review of qualifications for the Scaffolding, Rigging and Industrial Rope Access sector are listed on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework.

Main changes resulting from the revision

Expiring standards were replaced, and all the qualifications now contain unit standard 23229, which is a prerequisite for unit standard 15757. These changes have led to minor increases in overall credit values. Reverse transition arrangements were added to the replaced versions to ensure candidates working towards those versions were not disadvantaged. Other amendments were made to ensure the qualifications reflect the current versions of unit standards.

National Certificate in Rigging with strands in Basic Rigging, Intermediate Rigging, and Advanced Rigging [Ref: 0111]

Changes to structure and content

- Overall credit value increased from 123-183 to 128-188 depending on strand.
- Unit standards 26551 and 26552 replaced expiring core compulsory unit standards 6400, 6401 and 6402.
- The credit value of core compulsory unit standard 497 increased from 1 credit to 3 credits.
- Unit standard 23229, which is a prerequisite to unit standard 15757, was added to the core compulsory section.
- Unit standard 26623 replaced expiring core compulsory unit standard 8489.
- Unit standard 26627 replaced expiring core compulsory unit standard 5228.
- Unit standard classifications and titles were adjusted to reflect the results of unit standard reviews.
- Reverse transition arrangements were added to version 3 of the qualification to allow candidates to complete that version using either the expiring or the replacement standards.

Transition

People currently working towards version 3 may either complete the requirements of that version or transfer their results to version 4.

This qualification contains standards that replace or are recommended alternatives for 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 or recommended alternative standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
5228	26627
8489	26623

Reverse transition

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

Credit for	Exempt from
26551, 26552	6400, 6401, 6402
26627	5228
26623	8489

National Certificate in Industrial Rope Access (Elementary Rope Skills) (Level 3) [Ref: 1016]

Changes to structure and content

- Overall credit value increased from 67 to 73 credits.
- Unit standards 26551 and 26552 replaced expiring compulsory unit standards 6400, 6401 and 6402.
- The credit value of compulsory unit standard 497 increased from 1 credit to 3 credits.
- Unit standard 23229, which is a prerequisite to unit standard 15757, was added to the compulsory section.
- Unit standard 26623 replaced expiring compulsory unit standard 8489.
- Unit standard classifications and titles were adjusted to reflect the results of unit standard reviews.
- Reverse transition arrangements were added to versions 1 and 2 of the qualification to allow candidates to complete those versions using either the expiring or the replacement standards.

Transition

People currently working towards versions 1 or 2 may either complete the requirements of that version or transfer their results to version 3.

This qualification contains standards that replace or are recommended alternatives for 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 or recommended alternative standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
8489	26623

Reverse transition

For the purposes of versions 1 and 2 of the qualification, people who have gained credit for the replacement or recommended alternative standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
26551, 26552	6400, 6401, 6402
26623	8489

National Certificate in Scaffolding (Elementary) (Level 3) [Ref: 1352]

Changes to structure and content

- Overall credit value increased from 189 to 190 credits.
- Unit standards 26551 and 26552 replaced expiring compulsory unit standards 6400, 6401 and 6402.
- Unit standard 26623 replaced expiring compulsory unit standard 8489.
- Unit standard 26627 replaced expiring compulsory unit standard 5228.
- Unit standard classifications and titles were adjusted to reflect the results of unit standard reviews.
- Reverse transition arrangements were added to version 1 of the qualification to allow candidates to complete that version using either the expiring or the replacement standards.

Transition

People currently working towards version 1 may either complete the requirements of that version or transfer their results to version 2.

This qualification contains standards that replace or are recommended alternatives for 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 or recommended alternative standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
4200	20855, 20856
4201	20857, 20858, 20859, 20860, 23223, 23224, 23225, 23226, 23227
4202	20855, 23228
4203	23224, 23225, 23226, 23227
5228	26627
6400, 6401, 6402	26551, 26552
8489	26623

Reverse transition

For the purposes of version 1 of the qualification, people who have gained credit for the replacement or recommended alternative standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
26551, 26552	6400, 6401, 6402
26627	5228
26623	8489

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to The Skills Organisation at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case by case basis.

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