

FIELD SERVICE SECTOR

Review of *Funeral Services* qualifications

National Diploma in Funeral Directing [Ref: 1330]

National Diploma in Embalming [Ref: 1329]

The Funeral Services Training Trust has completed the review of the qualifications listed above.

Replacement qualifications

New Zealand Diploma in Funeral Directing [Ref: 1942]

New Zealand Diploma in Embalming [Ref: 1943]

Date new qualifications published and replaced qualifications republished March 2013

The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2018.

Summary of review and consultation process

The funeral services qualifications have been reviewed as part of the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TROQ) mandatory review process. This has resulted in the current two National Diplomas being replaced with two New Zealand Diplomas in Funeral Directing and Embalming. These were endorsed by the industry stakeholders in October 2012.

Main changes resulting from the review

National Diplomas in Funeral Directing and Embalming were replaced with New Zealand diplomas in Funeral Directing and Embalming.

National Diploma in Funeral Directing [Ref: 1330]

replaced by

New Zealand Diploma in Funeral Directing (Level 5) [Ref: 1942]

Review category	C	See Key to Qualification Review Categories at the end of report
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National Diploma in Embalming [Ref: 1329]

replaced by

New Zealand Diploma in Embalming (Level 5) [Ref: 1943]

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Transition

These qualifications have been reviewed and replaced by New Zealand qualifications. The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2013. The last date for award of the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2014.

It is recommended that candidates currently enrolled in programmes leading to the replaced qualifications who will be unable to complete the qualification by 31 December

2014 transfer to the relevant New Zealand qualification.

It is not intended that anyone is 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 the standard setting body at the address below.

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Key to Qualification Review Categories

Category A 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
Category 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
Category C 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
Category D 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