

Field Multi-Field**Revision of NCEA Level 1 qualification and republication of NCEA Level 2 qualification**

National Certificate of Educational Achievement (Level 1) [Ref: 0928]
National Certificate of Educational Achievement (Level 2) [Ref: 0973]

The Ministry of Education has updated the qualifications listed above.

Date new version of Ref: 0928 published and Ref: 0973 republished March 2013

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

Reason for revision and republication

The lists of standards that can be used to meet the Literacy and Numeracy requirements have been updated to include NZC aligned standards at Level 3.

The transition arrangements for the qualifications have been aligned to ensure equity. This ensures that students undertaking assessment for the NCEA qualifications are meeting the same requirements wherever their learning is being delivered.

NCEA Level 2 was changed to ensure that students who had already met NCEA literacy and numeracy requirements for NCEA Level 1 were not required to undertake any further work.

Main changes***Use of Level 3 Achievement standards to meet literacy and numeracy requirements***

Changes to structure and content of NCEA Level 1 and 2

- Inclusion of Level 3 achievement standards in the lists of standards that may be used to meet Literacy and Numeracy requirements.

Equity in transition arrangements

Changes to last date for assessment of NCEA Level 1 and 2

- The following table sets out the last date for assessment for NCEA Level 1 and 2

NCEA	Version	Last date for assessment	Active from
Level 1	Versions 1-5	31 December 2012	N/A
	Versions 6-8	28 February 2013	N/A
	Version 9	N/A	1 March 2013
Level 2	Versions 1-4	31 December 2012	N/A
	Version 5	28 February 2013	N/A
	Version 6	N/A	1 March 2013

Change to NCEA Level 2 literacy and numeracy requirements

The qualification requirements have been changed to signal that candidates must either have been awarded NCEA Level 1 or they must meet the new Literacy and Numeracy requirements, that is 10 credits for literacy and 10 credits for numeracy.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by these changes. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the Ministry of Education at the address below.

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