

FIELD SCIENCES**Revision of *Conservation* qualification****National Certificate in Conservation (Level 4) [Ref: 0797]**

The Skills Organisation has revised the qualification above.

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The next qualification review is planned to take place as part of a mandatory review during 2013-2014.

Reason for the revision

The qualification above was revised as it contained expired and expiring standards which would affect its achievability.

Replacement qualifications are intended to be listed following the mandatory review of qualifications in the Conservation cluster (scheduled to begin in quarter 3, 2013 and conclude in 2014).

Main changes resulting from the revision

Expiring and expired standards were removed and reverse transition was added to allow people to complete Version 2 of the qualification.

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Changes to structure and content

- Qualification credit value decreased from 70 to 65 credits
- Unit standard 26037 replaced expiring standard 16082
- Unit standards 26551 and 26552 replaced unit standards 6401 and 6402
- Unit standard 27213 replaced expiring standard 21554
- Expiring unit standards 6400, 11091, 11092 and 21555 were removed from the qualification
- The expiring *Parks and Recreation* domain was replaced by the *Parks and Reserves* domain
- The expiring *Temporary Traffic Management* domain under the *Highway Construction and Management* subfield was replaced by the *Temporary Traffic Management* domain under the *Infrastructure Works* domain
- Unit standard classifications, titles and credit values were updated to reflect changes following unit standard reviews
- Reverse transition arrangements were added to ensure achievability of version 2 of the qualification.

Transition

This qualification contains standards that replace or substitute earlier standards. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the earlier standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the replacement or substitute standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
435	20159, 20160
5060	21556
6401	26552
6402	26551
6914	26541
1678, 1679	21033
16082	26037
17280	22445
18473, 18474	20848
21554	27213

This qualification contains classifications that replace earlier classifications. People who have gained credit for standards in the lapsing classifications may continue to use those credits to meet the qualification requirements – see table below.

Credits for standards in	Count towards qualification requirements where the following is specified
Community and Social Services > Community Recreation > Parks and Recreation	Community and Social Services > Recreation and Sport > Parks and Reserves
Engineering and Technology > Highway Construction and Maintenance > Temporary Traffic Management	Engineering and Technology > Infrastructure Works > Temporary Traffic Management

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

People who wish to complete version 2 of this qualification may use the following reverse transition arrangements – see tables below.

Reverse transition

Version 2 of this qualification contains standards that have expired or are expiring. For the purposes of version 2 of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the replacement standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the earlier standards – see table below.

Credit for	Exempt from
26037	16082
26551	6402
26552	6401
27213	21554

Version 2 of this qualification contains classifications that are lapsing. People who have gained credit for standards in the new classifications may use those credits to meet the requirements of version 2 of this qualification – see table below.

Credits for standards in	Count towards qualification requirements where the following is specified
Community and Social Services > Recreation and Sport > Parks and Reserves	Community and Social Services > Community Recreation > Parks and Recreation
Engineering and Technology > Infrastructure Works > Temporary Traffic Management	Engineering and Technology > Highway Construction and Maintenance > Temporary Traffic Management

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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