

FIELD MANUFACTURING**Revision of *Manufacturing* qualification****National Certificate in Manufacturing (Metal and Related Products) (Level 2)
[Ref: 1386]**

Competenz has revised the qualification listed above.

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The next qualification review is planned to take place during 2014.

Reason for the revision

Unit standards 8489, 8491, and 2977 that were part of the qualification expired in December 2013. Unit standard 8491 was a compulsory standard in the qualification; while unit standards 2977 and 8489 were optional. This qualification was revised in order to ensure that the expiry of unit standard 8491 did not become a barrier to completion.

Unit standard 26626 was recommended as an appropriate replacement for unit standard 8491.

Main changes resulting from the revision

- Unit standard 26626 was added to the compulsory section as a replacement for unit standard 8491.
- Unit standards 2977 and 8489 were removed from the list of optional standards.

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- Compulsory standard 8491 was removed and replaced by standard 26626.
- Optional standards 2977 and 8489 were removed.
- An exemption from standard 26626 was added for people holding credit for standard 8491.

Transition

People working towards version 1 of the qualification, and who hold credit for unit standard 8491 may complete that version. People working towards version 1 who do not have credit for standard 8491 must transfer to version 2. The last date for assessments to take place for version 1 of this qualification is 31 December 2015.

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

Credit for	Exempt from
8491	26626

Competenz will publicise these arrangements in Competenz publications and website <http://www.competenz.org.nz/>, and by direct communication with trainees and their employers.

It is not intended that anyone be disadvantaged by this revision. However, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Competenz at the address below.

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