Field Sciences

Extension of expiry date of Science unit standards

Subfield	Domain	ID
Science	Biology	18969
	Chemistry	18974
	Earth Science	18982, 18989
	Physics	18977
	Science - Core	18973, 18986, 21611

NZQA National Qualifications Services has extended the expiry date of the unit standards listed above.

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New expiry date December 2016

Summary

Following a recommendation from an October 2013 meeting of representatives from the Secondary Principals' Association of NZ (SPANZ), the Post Primary Teachers' Association, the New Zealand Secondary Principals' Council, Te Aho o Te Kura Pounamu, New Zealand School Trustees Association, and Universities New Zealand, both the Ministry of Education and NZQA agreed to extend the expiry date of the above unit standards until December 2016.

This is to allow schools further time to change and embed teaching programmes leading towards level one Science achievement standards with support from the Ministry of Education.

Feedback from SPANZ consultation with their membership indicated that the majority of principals support an extension of expiry date for the unit standards.

Main changes

• The following Level 1 Science unit standards have had their expiry date extended to December 2016.

Sciences > Science > Biology

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Previous expiry date	New expiry date
18969	Demonstrate knowledge of the characteristics of living things, organs, and an organ system	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016

Science > Science > Chemistry

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Previous expiry date	New expiry date
18974	Demonstrate knowledge of chemical change	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016

Science > Science > Earth Science

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Previous expiry date	New expiry date
18982	Demonstrate knowledge of Earth science	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016
18989	Demonstrate knowledge of Earth and space	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016

Science > Science > Physics

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Previous expiry date	New expiry date
18977	Demonstrate knowledge of the generation and use of electricity	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016

Science > Science - Core

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Previous expiry date	New expiry date
18973	Demonstrate knowledge of matter	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016
18986	Select and use scientific equipment	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016
21611	Follow instructions to carry out and report on a practical scientific activity	1	2	31/12/2014	31/12/2016