CMR for NZQA Science and Technology [Ref: 0152]

Revision of NZQA National Qualifications Services CMR

NZQA National Qualifications Services has completed the revision of the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) above.

Date new version published

January 2015

The next CMR review is planned to take place during 2020.

Summary of revision

NZQA National Qualifications Services have undertaken a strategic review of all CMRs in their jurisdiction to ensure that they are relevant and current.

Compliance with new requirements

Requirements for consent to assess will apply with effect from January 2015.

Moderation system requirements will apply with effect from January 2015.

Organisations with consent to assess will be expected to be able to demonstrate compliance with the CMR from July 2015 onwards.

Main changes

Requirements for Consent to Assess (RCA)

Visit waiver conditions

Conditions have been standardised with other NZQA CMRs.

Industry or sector-specific requirements for consent to assess

- Criteria 1, 3 and 8 requirements have been standardised with other NZQA CMRs.
- Criterion 2 was amended to include the most recent Health and Safety standards and statutes.

Moderation Requirements (MR)

The Moderation system section was amended to clarify:

- Responsibilities of NZQA business units, moderators, schools and Tertiary Education Organisations (TEOs)
- Moderation plans for schools and TEOs and submission dates
- How moderation occurs and the materials required for moderation.

The Reporting section was amended to provide more information about moderation reports, annual summary of moderation outcomes letters to schools, and the annual National External Moderation Results report for TEOs.

The Funding section was amended to indicate that NZQA may charge for any additional activities required to address issues identified through moderation. Activities such as preassessment moderation, additional moderation, visits to TEOs to discuss assessment or moderation issues will be charged at \$150/hr (GST excl).

The Non-compliance with moderation requirements section was amended to clarify actions that may be taken by NZQA.

The Appeals section was amended to provide contact details and more information about the process for schools and TEOs wishing to appeal a moderation decision.