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Review of *Air Traffic Services* qualifications

National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Aerodrome Control Theory) (Level 5) with strands in Approach Control Theory, Area Control Radar Theory, and Area Control Theory [Ref: 1383]

National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information, and Oceanic Air-Ground [Ref: 1384]

National Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 7) with strands in Aerodrome Control On Site, Approach Control On Site, Approach Radar On Site, Area Control On Site, Area Control Radar On Site, and Automatic Dependence Surveillance On Site [Ref: 1385]

ServiceIQ has completed the mandatory review of the qualifications listed above.

Replacement qualifications

New Zealand Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Air Traffic Services Theory) (Level 5) [Ref: 2230]

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome Control and Approach Control Procedural, Area and Approach Control Surveillance and Area Control Procedural, and Automatic Dependant Surveillance [Ref: 2231]

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Flight Information) (Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information) (Level 6) [Ref: 2702]

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Flight Information) (Oceanic Air-Ground) (Level 6) [Ref: 2703]

Date new versions published**December 2014**

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

Summary of review and consultation process

The Air Traffic Services qualifications have been reviewed as part of the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ) process. The mandatory review involved consultation with stakeholders and included initial meetings concerning the need to review the qualifications, and subsequent meetings regarding the proposed content of the qualifications to ensure alignment with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and Civil Aviation Authority of New Zealand (CAANZ) regulatory requirements.

Industry confirmed the need for qualifications in this area, and fully endorsed these.

The existing Level 5 and Level 6 national qualifications have been replaced by New Zealand qualifications, as detailed below. The Level 7 qualification has remained as a national qualification.

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Aerodrome Control Theory) (Level 5) with strands in Approach Control Theory, Area Control Radar Theory, and Area Control Theory [Ref: 1383]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Air Traffic Services Theory) (Level 5) [Ref: 2230]

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Transition

As the new Level 5 qualification is different in design and content to the replaced national qualification, it is the industry's and SSB's preference and recommendation for trainees to enter into programmes leading to the new qualification.

Trainees currently enrolled in programmes leading to the **replaced** qualification may either complete the requirements by 31 December 2016 or transfer to the new qualification.

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualification is 31 December 2015. The last date for award of the replaced qualification is 31 December 2016 at which time it will be designated as **discontinued**.

National Certificate in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information, and Oceanic Air-Ground [Ref: 1384]

replaced by

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 6) with strands in Aerodrome Control and Approach Control Procedural, Area and Approach Control Surveillance and Area Control Procedural, and Automatic Dependant Surveillance [Ref: 2231]

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Flight Information) (Aerodrome and/or Area Flight Information) (Level 6) [Ref: 2702]

New Zealand Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Flight Information) (Oceanic Air-Ground) (Level 6) [Ref: 2703]

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Transition

As the new Level 6 qualifications are different in design and content to the replaced national qualification, it is the industry's and SSB's preference and recommendation for trainees to enter into programmes leading to the new qualifications.

Trainees currently enrolled in programmes leading to the **replaced** qualification may either complete the requirements by 31 December 2017 or transfer to the relevant new qualification. Trainees completing the replaced qualification must be gain credit for standard 23469 before it expires on 31 December 2016.

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2015. The last date for award of the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2017 at which time they will be designated as **discontinued**.

This qualification contains expiring unit standards for which replacement unit standards have now been registered. For the purposes of this qualification, people who have gained credit for the replacement unit standards are exempt from the requirement to gain credit for the expiring unit standards.

| Credit for | Exempt from |
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| 28044 | 23466 |
| 28045 | 23455, 23463, 23464 |
| 28046 | 23467, 23471 |
| 28049 | 23465 |

National Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 7) with strands in Aerodrome Control On Site, Approach Control On Site, Approach Radar On Site, Area Control On Site, Area Control Radar On Site, and Automatic Dependence Surveillance On Site [Ref: 1385]

National Diploma in Air Traffic Services (Level 7) with strands in Aerodrome Control, Approach Control Procedural, Approach Control Surveillance, Area Control Procedural, Area Control Surveillance, and Automatic Dependence Surveillance [Ref: 1385]

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Changes to structure and content

- The title of the qualification was changed.
- Overall credit value has increased from 148-223 to 230-275 credits dependant on strand.
- Credit value and levels for standards 23459, 23461, and 23473 have been updated to reflect the outcome of review.
- Replacement standards 28043-28049 have been added to the qualification.

Transition

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

| Credit for | Exempt from |
|---------------------|-------------|
| 23455, 23463, 23464 | 28045 |
| 23456 | 28048 |
| 23465 | 28049 |
| 23466 | 28044 |
| 23467, 23471 | 28046 |
| 23474 | 28043 |
| 23477 | 28047 |

People currently working towards version 1 of this qualification may either complete the requirements for that version or transfer their results to version 2 of the qualification.

The last date for assessments to take place for version 1 is 31 December 2016.

It is the intention of ServiceIQ that no existing trainee should be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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Key to Qualification Review Categories

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| Category A The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID | Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement |
| | No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification |
| | No transition arrangements are required |
| Category B The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID | Changes are made to title, rules or components |
| | The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that recognised by the previous version |
| | The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are comparable in terms of competence Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version |
| Category C A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NQF ID | Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components, structure, type or level |
| | The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification |
| | Transition arrangements are required Transition may be limited to phase-out dates |
| Category D Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification | Qualification is no longer required by industry |
| | The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set |