

FIELD MANUFACTURING**Review of *Food and Related Products Processing* qualifications****National Certificate in Food and Related Products Processing (Level 2) [Ref: 0342]****National Certificate in Food and Related Products Processing (Level 3) [Ref: 0343]****National Certificate in Food and Related Products Processing (Level 4) [Ref: 0344]**

Competenz has completed the review of the qualifications listed above.

Replacement qualifications

New Zealand Certificate in Food or Beverage Processing (Level 2) [Ref: 2735]

New Zealand Certificate in Food or Beverage Processing (Level 3) [Ref: 2736]

Date new versions published**June 2015**

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

Summary of review and consultation process

The review occurred as a result of the mandatory review of Food processing qualifications, part of the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ). The mandatory review involved extensive consultation with stakeholders working in the industry. Consultation included meetings to design a new qualification suite, and subsequent meetings developed the proposed content of the new qualifications.

Industry confirmed the on-going need for a set of qualifications in Food and Beverage Processing, which would recognise graduate capabilities and provide an education pathway for learners in the broader Food and Beverage sectors.

The existing National qualifications have been replaced by New Zealand qualifications, as detailed below.

Main changes resulting from the review

The qualifications have been aligned with operational roles in industry and the content of each qualification has been redeveloped to reflect the technical skills and knowledge required for those roles.

National Certificate in Food and Related Products Processing (Level 2) [Ref: 0342]

Replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Food or Beverage Processing (Level 2) [Ref: 2735]

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National Certificate in Food and Related Product Processing (Level 3) [Ref: 0343]

Replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Food or Beverage Processing (Level 3) [Ref: 2736]

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National Certificate in Food and Related Products Processing (Level 4) [Ref: 0344]

To be expired

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Transition

Last date for entry into the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2016.

Last date for award of the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2018.

It is recommended that candidates currently enrolled in replaced qualifications who will be unable to complete them by the 31 December 2018 transfer to the respective New Zealand Certificate listed above.

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 Competenz at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case by case basis.

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Key to Qualification Review Categories

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