

FIELD Engineering and Technology**Review of *Electronic Engineering* qualification****National Certificate in Electronic Engineering (Level 4) [Ref: 1123]**

The Skills Organisation has completed the review of the qualification listed above.

Replacement qualification

New Zealand Certificate in Electronic Engineering (Level 4) [Ref: 2981]

Date new version published**November 2015****Summary of review and consultation process**

During 2012 - 2014, a mandatory sector review of qualifications in the Electrotechnology sector occurred. The review encompassed broad consultation with industry and tertiary education organisation stakeholders to ensure that the proposed qualifications meet current and future needs. Two qualifications resulting from this review were listed in July 2015 – the New Zealand Certificate in Electrotechnology (Level 3) with strands in Installation and Service [Ref: 2767] and the New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Electrical and Electronic Installation and Service) (Level 4) with strands in Domestic Systems and Products, Commercial Equipment, and Consumer Electronics [Ref: 2768].

The review also recommended that the National Certificate in Electronic Engineering (Level 4) [Ref: 1123] be a new New Zealand qualification. This qualification has now been developed and has been registered on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework (NZQF).

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Electronic Engineering (Level 4) [Ref: 1123]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Electronic Engineering (Level 4) [Ref: 2981]

Review category	C	See Key to Qualification Review Categories at the end of report
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Transition

People working towards the replaced qualification may complete the requirements of this qualification or transfer their existing achievement to the replacement qualification.

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualification is 31 December 2017.

The last date for assessments to take place for the replaced qualification is 31 December 2020 when the qualification will be **discontinued**.

It is recommended that candidates currently enrolled in programmes leading to the replaced qualification and unable to complete it by 31 December 2020 transfer their existing achievement to the replacement New Zealand qualification.

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 The Skills Organisation 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 NZQF 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 NZQF 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
Category C A new (replacement) qualification is published with new NZQF ID	Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different credits for the new version
	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
Category D Qualification will expire. There is no replacement qualification	Transition may be limited to phase-out dates
	Qualification is no longer required by industry
	The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the qualification requirements is set