

FIELD COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES**Review of *Snowsport* qualifications**

National Certificate in Snowsport with strands in Aerial Lift Operation, Road and Carpark Services, and Surface Lift Operation (Level 2) [Ref: 0439]

National Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 2) [Ref: 0440]

National Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Bootfitting [Ref: 0441]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Patrol) (Level 4) [Ref: 0443]

National Certificate in Snowsport with strands in Snowgrooming, and Snowmaking (Level 3) [Ref: 0848]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Level 3) with strands in Patrol, and Courtesy Patrol [Ref: 0492]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Snow Safety) (Level 6) [Ref: 0852]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Ticketing and Guest Services) (Level 3) [Ref: 0859]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Snowschool) (Level 5) with optional strands in Children's Instruction, and Pipe and Park Instruction) [Ref: 0971]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Advanced Lift Operation) (Level 3) [Ref: 1217]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Snowschool) (Level 3) [Ref: 1218]

National Certificate in Snowsport (Supervision) with strands in Lift Operation, Patrol Leader, Snowsport Equipment, Snowgrooming, Snowmaking, Snowschool, and Ticketing and Guest Services (Level 4) [Ref: 1219]

Skills Active Aotearoa Ltd has completed the mandatory review of the qualifications above.

Replacement qualifications

New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 5) [Ref: 3490]

New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 6) with optional strands in Advanced Avalanche Hazard and Mitigation Planning, Advanced Avalanche Forecasting and Data Management, Advanced Avalanche Search and Rescue Planning, and Avalanche Education [Ref: 3491]

New Zealand Certificate in Mountain Facility Operations (Level 3) with strands in Lift Operations, and Road and Carpark Services [Ref: 3493]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowmaking (Level 3) [Ref: 3495]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowgrooming (Level 4) [Ref: 3494]

New Zealand Certificate in Introductory Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, and Telemark [Ref: 3492]

New Zealand Certificate in Advanced Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, and Telemark, and optional strand in Business Development [Ref: 3496]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 3) with strands in Workshop Technician and Rental Services [Ref: 3499]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician and Bootfitting [Ref: 3500]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol (Level 4) [Ref: 3498]

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol Leader (Level 5) [Ref: 3497]

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

Summary of review and consultation process

During 2012-2015, a mandatory sector review of qualifications in the Snowsport sector occurred. The review encompassed broad consultation with industry and training provider stakeholders to ensure that the new qualifications meet current and future needs. The review resulted in the recommendation that the national qualifications listed above should be replaced by New Zealand qualifications. The replacement New Zealand qualifications have now been listed, and the national qualifications will therefore be phased out.

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

Main changes resulting from the review

National Certificate in Snowsport (Advanced Lift Operation) (Level 3) [Ref: 1217]

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National Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 2) [Ref: 0440]
replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 3) with strands in Workshop Technician and Rental Services [Ref: 3499]

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National Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Bootfitting [Ref: 0441]
replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician and Bootfitting [Ref: 3500]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Patrol) (Level 4) [Ref: 0443]
replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol Leader (Level 5) [Ref: 3497]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Level 3) with strands in Patrol, and Courtesy Patrol [Ref: 0492]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol (Level 4) [Ref: 3498]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Snow Safety) (Level 6) [Ref: 0852]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 6) with optional strands in Advanced Avalanche Hazard and Mitigation Planning, Advanced Avalanche Forecasting and Data Management, Advanced Avalanche Search and Rescue Planning, and Avalanche Education [Ref: 3491]

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National Certificate in Snowsport with strands in Aerial Lift Operation, Road and Carpark Services, and Surface Lift Operation (Level 2) [Ref: 0439]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Mountain Facility Operations (Level 3) with strands in Lift Operations, and Road and Carpark Services [Ref: 3493]

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National Certificate in Snowsport with strands in Snowgrooming, and Snowmaking (Level 3) [Ref: 0848]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Snowmaking (Level 3) [Ref: 3495] and New Zealand Certificate in Snowgrooming (Level 4) [Ref: 3494]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Snowschool) (Level 3) [Ref: 1218]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Introductory Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, and Telemark [Ref: 3492]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Snowschool) (Level 5) with optional strands in Children's Instruction, and Pipe and Park Instruction [Ref: 0971]

replaced by

New Zealand Certificate in Advanced Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, and Telemark, and optional strand in Business Development [Ref: 3496]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Ticketing and Guest Services) (Level 3) [Ref: 0859]
recommended alternative

New Zealand Certificate in Alpine Resort Operations (Level 3) [Ref: 3224]

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National Certificate in Snowsport (Supervision) with strands in Lift Operation, Patrol Leader, Snowsport Equipment, Snowgrooming, Snowmaking, Snowschool, and Ticketing and Guest Services (Level 4) [Ref: 1219].

This qualification has been discontinued immediately due to a lack of use and because it contained expired unit standards.

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

Transition

The last date for entry into programmes leading to the replaced qualifications is 31 December 2017, when the replaced qualifications will be designated expiring.

The last date to meet the requirements of the replaced qualifications will be 31 December 2019 when the qualifications will be discontinued. From that date no results can be reported against the qualifications.

People currently working towards one of the replaced qualifications may either complete the requirements by 31 December 2019 or transfer their results to the replacement 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 Skills Active Aotearoa at the address below:

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