## **Maritime Engineering and Technology**

## Revision of *Maritime Craft Operation* qualification

# New Zealand Diploma in Yacht Operations (Level 6) with an optional strand in Master Yacht [Ref: 2516]

Competenz has revised the qualification listed above.

#### Date republished

#### July 2017

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

### Reason for the revision

The qualification has been revised to reflect a recent determination by Maritime New Zealand (MNZ) that requires a higher level of first aid training for the Chief Mate–Yacht license than was required when this qualification was first published.

This will ensure no current or future learner will be disadvantaged by a mismatch between the qualification and the new MNZ licensing requirement which would lead to rejection of their license application.

Note: 'Medical First Aid' and 'Medical Care' are two different levels of first aid training within the International Maritime Organisations skills framework and are familiar to and well understood by industry.

MNZ is the Regulator responsible for the enforcement of these standards within the New Zealand Maritime sector.

#### Main changes resulting from the revision

Version 2 of this qualification includes the following changes:

- The condition requiring training to the level of 'Medical Care' as defined by STCW-2010 Section A-VI/4 has been moved from graduate outcome 10 in the optional strand to graduate outcome 3 in the base qualification.
- The indicative credits for outcome 3 increased from 40 to 45 credits. The indicative credits for outcome 10 decreased from 15 to 10 credits
- The total credit value of the qualification has been adjusted from 120-200 credits to 125-200 credits to reflect the change.

## Transition

Version 1 of this qualification has been given a last date of assessment of 31 December 2018.

No transition arrangements are necessary. The New Zealand Maritime School is the only provider with students currently enrolled in this qualification. To meet MNZ requirements, those students will be automatically provided the higher level Medical Care content as part of their current programme.

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: qualifications@competenz.org.nz