

Field: Electrical Engineering

Change report for the review of Electrical Engineering New Zealand Qualifications

This change report was republished in May 2021 to extend the last dates for entry into, and assessment of, The New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering Theory (Level 3) [Ref: 2387].

The last date for entry was extended from 31 December 2021 to **31 March 2022**.

The last date of assessment was extended from 31 December 2022 to **31 March 2023**.

Reviewed qualifications

Ref	Version	Qualification title	Level	Credits
2384	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Level 5)	5	90
2387	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering Theory (Level 3)	3	120

Review information

Qualification Developer	The Skills Organisation
Reason for the review	5-yearly scheduled review
Review date	September 2020
Outcome date	November 2020
Next review date	November 2025

Summary of review and consultation process

The review of these qualifications was conducted as part of the scheduled 5-yearly review of qualifications.

Consultation for the review was undertaken and included industry focus group meetings; formation of Electrical Consultation Group that met once a month; broad consultation with industry and regulators; wider consultation emails and surveys with key stakeholders, and separate meetings and consultation with relevant training providers.

The review resulted in the listing of a new Level 3 qualification that is fit for purpose for the next five years. This new qualification meets industry requirements and was endorsed by training providers.

The Level 5 qualification [Ref: 2384] was not being used and was set to expire. Subsequent exploration of shorter, fit for purpose training that will allow the industry to upskill and specialise will be undertaken.

Main changes resulting from the review

- The New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Level 5) [Ref: 2384] was designated expiring without replacement.
- The New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering Theory (Level 3) [Ref: 2387] was replaced by a new qualification, the New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Pre-Trade (Level 3) [Ref: 4316]. The new qualification focuses on the basic knowledge and practical skills expected of an entry-level tradesman to work safely in the industry and has a distinct title to better align to its content and intent.

Review outcome

Ref	Version	Reviewed qualification	Outcome category	New qualification details/version
2384	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Level 5)	<i>D-Qualification will expire with no replacement</i>	N/A
2387	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering Theory (Level 3)	<i>C-New replacement qualification</i>	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Pre-Trade (Level 3) [Ref: 4316]

Qualification review outcome categories

Outcome	Result	Category
No changes are identified to the qualification	Qualification version number and NZQF ID remain the same. New review date is required.	A
Minor changes are identified to the qualification	New version of qualification is required (NZQF ID remains the same). New review date is required.	B
Significant changes are required to the qualification	New replacement qualification is required with a new NZQF ID. The existing qualification will expire.	C
The qualification is no longer required by industry	The qualification will expire with no replacement.	D

Transition information

Ref	Version	Qualification title	Last date of entry*	Last date of assessment
2384	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering (Level 5)	31/12/2021	31/12/2023
2387	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electrical Engineering Theory (Level 3)	31/03/2022	31/03/2023

*only required for outcome category C or D

Any additional information

It is not intended that any existing candidate be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements; however, anyone who feels they have been disadvantaged can appeal to:

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