CMR for Infrastructure Industries [Ref: 0101]

Review of Connexis Infrastructure ITO CMR

Connexis Infrastructure ITO (Connexis) has completed the review of the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) above.

Date new version published

July 2020

The next CMR review is planned to take place during 2025.

Summary of review

Connexis instigated a review of the Infrastructure Industries CMR to gain consistency in quality systems for unit standards classified in the Infrastructure Industries sector sub-fields and domains managed by Connexis.

Appendices were attached to the revised CMR 0101 document that that specify unit standard requirements for the Driver Licensing Endorsement Domain, Temporary Traffic Management Domain, and Driving Subfield.

Consolidating requirements will bring consistency to the management of consent to assess applications and external moderation systems.

Feedback was sought from industry, provider representatives and staff to ensure achievable parameters are agreed to manage the integrity of assessment decisions for the Infrastructure Industries Rural Contracting, Civil Engineering, Civil Plant Operation and Management, Civil Works and Services, Engineering, Highway Construction and Maintenance, Infrastructure Civil Engineering, Infrastructure Works, Pavement Surfacing, Telecommunications, Water Industry, Surveying, and Driving unit standards. For Infrastructure Industry - Electricity Supply requirements see CMR Ref: 0120.

Compliance with new requirements

Requirements for consent to assess will apply with effect from July 2020.

Moderation system requirements will apply with effect from July 2020.

Organisations with consent to assess will be expected to be able to demonstrate compliance with the CMR from January 2021 onwards.

Main changes

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CMR for Infrastructure Industries [Ref: 0101-8]

SSB reference changed from InfraTrain to Connexis Infrastructure ITO; and NZ Transport Agency now referred to as Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency.

Requirements for Consent to Assess (RCA)

Industry specific requirements have been moved as appendices. Industries within the infrastructure sector share an inherent requirement for specific training environment, governed by legislation. Connexis Infrastructure ITO seeks to standardise requirements for:

- assessor and trainer qualifications and experience
- training and assessment environment
- assessment and moderation.

Introduction

Connexis Infrastructure ITO is committed to assisting TEOs and schools applying for Consent to Assess and offers continued support to organisations assessing against standards in the sectors covered by this CMR.

Standard Setting Body involvement in process for granting consent to assess

Connexis Infrastructure ITO staff will support applicants, guides and information will be available to organisations applying for consent to assess.

Visit waiver conditions

Conditions for visit waiver remain, the emphasis has changed from industry participation to Connexis Infrastructure ITO participation in a visit for granting consent to assess.

Areas of shared responsibility

Specific industry requirements moved to appendices.

Industry or sector-specific requirements for consent to assess

Criterion 1

The following were added:

- requirement to consider the literacy, language and numeracy demands of the programme
- robust annual evaluation of teaching programmes
- criteria for developing online and distance learning packages.

Criterion 2

The following were added:

- requirement for training facilities e.g. access to on-site operational equipment and heavy machinery
- applicants required to provide current copies of relevant legislation regulations handbooks and manuals.

Criterion 3

The following were added:

- new unit standards in adult education
- requirement for staff conducting verification to achieve unit standard 30423 or prove competence and skill in verification of assessment

Criterion 4

This criterion was added. Details of student entry are commensurate with the unit standards and industry skills covered in this CMR. Includes:

- requirement for students to have sufficient literacy, language, numeracy and physical skills to engage in training and assessment
- Student records are required.

Criterion 5

This criterion was added:

 a requirement for tutor/assessor contact with students while engaging in on-job training or distance learning.

Criterion 6

The following was added:

 requirements including reference to NZQA rules, formal agreements, safety, equipment, resources, and verifier qualification.

Criterion 7

The following were added:

- integration of off-site practical and work-based assessments against the unit standards within a programme
- Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), Recognition of Current Competence (RCC) and Credit Recognition and Transfer (CRT)
- equivalency and competency mapping processes requirements.

Criterion 8

This criterion was added to include the following:

 requirement added for credit achievement to be reported within 3 months of assessment.

Moderation Requirements (MR)

Moderation System

- Qualifications and Quality Manager (InfraTrain) replaced by National Moderator (Connexis)
- Moderation Group Workshops was added
- internal moderation staffing requirements was added
- criteria for selecting unit standards for moderation was extended to include NZQA consistency reviews, NZQA quarterly reports and organisations moderation history.

Funding

 Charging specifics were deleted, organisations are directed to Connexis Infrastructure ITO for a schedule of charges.

Non-compliance with moderation requirements

Detail of the process of dealing with non-compliance was added.

Appeals

The following were added:

- A list of the information an appellant must provide
- Appeals Policy is available from the Connexis Infrastructure ITO website.