

Field: *Electricity Supply*

Change report for the review of Electricity Supply New Zealand Qualifications

Reviewed qualifications

Ref	Version	Qualification title	Level	Credits
2835	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Field Switching) (Level 3)	3	77
3586	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 4) with strands in Distribution Fault Response, Distribution Network Switching, and Transmission Switching (with optional strand in Transmission Switching Control)	4	85 - 140

Review information

Qualification Developer	Connexis Infrastructure ITO
Reason for the review	Scheduled 5 year review [Ref: 2835] Industry Request [Ref: 3586]
Review date	April 2020
Outcome date	July 2020
Next review date	31 July 2025

Summary of review and consultation process

Graduates and employers were surveyed in 2019 - 2020. Feedback, graduate numbers and enrolment data were discussed at the Electricity Supply Reference Group meeting held in April 2020. This information was used to inform proposed amendments to the qualification. An early review of the New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 4) with strands [Ref: 3586] was requested to align this qualification with other Electricity Supply qualifications being reviewed this year.

The reviewed qualifications and consultation questions were published on Connexis' website and the wider group of stakeholders informed by email. Amendments were endorsed by the Reference Group.

Main changes resulting from the review

New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Field Switching) (Level 3) [Ref: 2835-1]

This certificate was recommended for expiry because the training is duplicated in the Switching strand of the New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 4) with strands [Ref: 3586].

New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 4) with strands [Ref: 3586-1]

- The Transmission Switching strands were removed as they had not been used. Transmission Industry representatives indicated the role is being reviewed after which a separate qualification may be required.
- The words 'or entering' were removed from the Strategic Purpose statement.

- The New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Introductory) (Level 2) with strands in Electrical Works, Telecommunications and Wind Farm [Ref: 2136] was added as an entry requirement.
- The credit value of the qualification was reduced from 85 – 140 credits to 80 – 105 credits because the introductory qualification is no longer incorporated in the programme.
- The qualification specifications were updated, including clarifying the entry requirements' reference to the Electricity Workers Registration Board.
- Programme conditions on Graduate Profile Outcomes were removed.

Review outcome

Ref	Version	Reviewed qualification	Outcome category	New qualification details/version
2835	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Field Switching) (Level 3)	<i>D-Qualification will expire with no replacement</i>	2835 - 2 (expiring)
3586	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 4) with strands in Distribution Fault Response, Distribution Network Switching, and Transmission Switching (with optional strand in Transmission Switching Control)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and Switching) (Level 3) with strands in Fault Response, and Network Switching [Ref: 3586-2].

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
2835	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Field Switching) (Level 3)	31/12/2021	31/12/2022
3586	1	New Zealand Certificate in Electricity Supply (Fault Response and	N/A	31/12/2023

		Switching) (Level 3) with strands in Distribution Fault Response, Distribution Network Switching, and Transmission Switching (with optional strand in Transmission Switching Control)		
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**only required for outcome category C or D*

Any additional information

It is the intention that no trainee should be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to the qualification developer Connexis - Infrastructure ITO at qualifications@connexis.org.nz or 04 499 9144.