

Field: COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Change report for the review of Snowsport New Zealand Qualifications

Reviewed qualifications

[Ref]	Version	Qualification title	Level	Credits
3224	1	New Zealand Certificate in Alpine Resort Operations (Level 3)	3	40
3490	1	New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 5)	5	40
3491	1	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	6	70
3492	1	New Zealand Certificate in Introductory Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands Ski, Snowboard and Telemark	4	60
3493	2	New Zealand Certificate in Mountain Facility Operations (Level 3) with strands in Lift Operation, and Road and Carpark Services	3	40
3494	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowgrooming (Level 4)	4	40
3495	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowmaking (Level 3)	3	40
3496	1	New Zealand Certificate in Advanced Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands in Ski, Snowboard and Telemark and optional strand in Business Development	5	60
3497	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol Leader (Level 5)	5	50
3498	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol (Level 4)	4	80
3499	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 3) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Rental	3	40
3500	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Bootfitting	4	40

Review information

Qualification Developer	Skills Active Aotearoa
Reason for the review	Scheduled five-year review
Review date	November 2020
Outcome date	February 2026
Next review date	February 2026

Summary of review and consultation process

The review and consultation were broken into a number of phases:

- Internal review – feedback from consistency events, moderation, staff feedback, and anecdotal feedback;

- Key stakeholder engagement – via email, Zoom and/or face-to-face engagement;
- Open public consultation – via the Skills Active website and newsletter lists;
- Stakeholder endorsement of review outcomes – via email;
- Internal approval for submission by Senior Management Team (SMT).

Consultation feedback showed an ongoing need for the qualifications with little change as they continued to meet industry needs and expectations.

Main changes resulting from the review

The Graduate Profile Outcomes (GPOs) were updated to strengthen without changing the intent.

The Qualification award and consistency event statements were updated to match current NZQA practice.

The conditions against the GPOs that were included for guidance purposes only were removed as they were not a requirement for programmes. These will be moved to a new programme guidance document. Those conditions that are a requirement for programmes (the two snowschool instruction qualifications only) have remained in place.

The general conditions and other requirements sections were updated to reflect current legislation and publications.

Specific Changes:

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

1. *Advanced* has been changed to *Intermediate* in the title. This title change provides better alignment with the level of instruction being provided and is more consistent with industry terminology and use of ‘intermediate and advanced’ in a snowschool context.
2. An additional strand (Cross-country) has been added. This will serve the growing and changing needs in cross-country snowsport instruction. New title: New Zealand Certificate in Intermediate Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands Ski, Snowboard, Telemark and Cross-country [Ref: 3496].

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

1. An additional strand (Cross-country) has been added. This will serve the growing and changing needs in cross-country snowsport instruction. New title: New Zealand Certificate in Introductory Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands Ski, Snowboard, Telemark and Cross-country [Ref: 3492].

Review outcome

Reference	Version	Reviewed qualification	Outcome category	New qualification details/version (if applicable)
3224	1	New Zealand Certificate in Alpine Resort Operations (Level 3)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3224-2
3490	1	New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 5)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3490-2
3491	1	New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 6) with optional strands in	<i>B-New version of</i>	3491-2

		Advanced Avalanche Hazard and Mitigation Planning, Advanced Avalanche Forecasting and Data Management, Advanced Avalanche Search and Rescue Planning, and Avalanche Education	<i>qualification</i>	
3492	1	New Zealand Certificate in Introductory Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands Ski, Snowboard, Telemark and Cross-country	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3492-2
3493	2	New Zealand Certificate in Mountain Facility Operations (Level 3) with strands in Lift Operation, and Road and Carpark Services	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3493-3
3494	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowgrooming (Level 4)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3494-2
3495	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowmaking (Level 3)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3495-2
3496	1	New Zealand Certificate in Intermediate Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, Telemark and Cross-country, and optional strand in Business Development	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3496-2
3497	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol Leader (Level 5)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3497-2
3498	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol (Level 4)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3498-2
3499	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 3) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Rental	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3499-2
3500	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Bootfitting	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3500-2

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

Reference	Version	Qualification title	Last date of entry*	Last date of assessment
3224	1	New Zealand Certificate in Alpine Resort Operations (Level 3)	N/A	31/12/2022
3490	1	New Zealand Certificate in Avalanche Risk Management (Level 5)	N/A	31/12/2022
3491	1	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	N/A	31/12/2022
3492	1	New Zealand Certificate in Advanced Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 4) with strands Ski, Snowboard and Telemark	N/A	31/12/2022
3493	2	New Zealand Certificate in Mountain Facility Operations (Level 3) with strands in Lift Operation, and Road and Carpark Services	N/A	31/12/2022
3494	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowgrooming (Level 4)	N/A	31/12/2022
3495	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowmaking (Level 3)	N/A	31/12/2022
3496	1	New Zealand Certificate in Intermediate Snowschool Instruction (Applied) (Level 5) with strands in Ski, Snowboard, and Telemark, and optional strand in Business Development	N/A	31/12/2022
3497	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol Leader (Level 5)	N/A	31/12/2022
3498	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Patrol (Level 4)	N/A	31/12/2022
3499	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 3) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Rental	N/A	31/12/2022
3500	1	New Zealand Certificate in Snowsport Equipment (Level 4) with strands in Workshop Technician, and Bootfitting	N/A	31/12/2022

*only required for outcome category C or D

Any additional information

It is the intention of Skills Active Aotearoa that no existing trainee should be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they are disadvantaged may appeal to:

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