

**Field: Service Sector**

**Change report for the review of Reticulated Gas Pipelines New Zealand Qualification**

**Reviewed qualifications**

[Ref]	Version	Qualification title	Level	Credits
3593	1	New Zealand Certificate in Reticulated Gas Pipelines (Level 4) with strands in Metering and Pressure Control, Polyethylene Pipelines, and Steel Pipelines and an optional strand in Gas Incident Response	4	130-150

**Review information**

<b>Qualification Developer</b>	MITO New Zealand Incorporated
<b>Reason for the review</b>	Response to feedback from industry identifying problems with the current qualification.
<b>Review date</b>	31 December 2020
<b>Outcome date</b>	February 2021
<b>Next review date</b>	February 2026

**Summary of review and consultation process**

MITO commenced an early review of the New Zealand Certificate in Reticulated Gas Pipelines (Level 4) with strands in Metering and Pressure Control, Polyethylene Pipelines, and Steel Pipelines (with optional strand in Gas Incident Response) with industry stakeholders after feedback from industry identified problems with the current qualification and its strands. The current review ensures the qualification and its strands accurately reflect the needs of the gas industry.

The industry reference group meetings identified that some of the skills and knowledge described in outcomes of this qualification did not accurately reflect industry requirements, relevant indicative credit values and overall qualification credits. This resulted in removing the Steel Pipelines strand and the optional strand in Gas Incident Response. Changes are made to ensure the qualification accurately reflects the knowledge and skills and time it takes to progress through to a graduate in the gas field.

Further consultation was carried out via email to seek wider feedback from the gas sector. Feedback received was actioned where appropriate. Final stakeholder attestation sign-off from the gas industry reference group was obtained once all feedback was taken into consideration.

**Main changes resulting from the review**

- Strategic Purpose Statement was amended to reflect current industry needs.
- Steel Pipelines and Gas Incident Response strands were removed as these will instead be supported by the Gas Association New Zealand certificate of competency framework
- Evidence requirements for assuring consistency were updated and general conditions for programmes

were amended

- Credits were reduced from 130-150 to 120 credits to reflect the expected learning and assessment timeframe

### Review outcome

Reference	Version	Reviewed qualification	Outcome category	New qualification details/version (if applicable)
3593	1	New Zealand Certificate in Reticulated Gas Pipelines (Level 4) with strands in Metering and Pressure Control, Polyethylene Pipelines, and Steel Pipelines (with optional strand in Gas Incident Response)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	Ref: 3593 – 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 assessment
3593	1	New Zealand Certificate in Reticulated Gas Pipelines (Level 4) with strands in Metering and Pressure Control, Polyethylene Pipelines, and Steel Pipelines (with optional strand in Gas Incident Response)	31/12/2022

### Any additional information

Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged by these transition arrangements may appeal to MITO at the address below. All appeals will be considered on a case by case basis.

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