

Field **Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries**

Revision and Review of *Horticulture* and *Primary Sector* unit standards

Subfield	Domain	ID
Horticulture	Arboriculture	2769,17262, 25405
Primary Sector	Plant Pest, Weed, and Disease Control	21563, 21565, 27213, 27216, 29827

Muka Tangata – People, Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council has completed the revision and review of the unit standards listed above. The revised standards are in **bold**.

Date new versions published

May 2022

Planned review date

December 2027

Planned review date for revised standards (no change)

December 2026

Summary

Muka Tangata – People, Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council reviewed Arboriculture and Plant Pest, Weed, and Disease Control unit standards to better reflect the requirements of the updated qualification graduate outcomes.

Plant Pest, Weed, and Disease Control unit standards were reviewed according to their planned review date. Arboriculture unit standards 2769, 17262, 25405 were reviewed in June 2021, however errors were noted on publication and these were revised. Further amendments suggested by industry to selected unit standards were made to ensure they are fit for purpose.

Consultation was carried out in February 2022 where consent to assess holders and stakeholders had the opportunity to give comment on an email sent asking for feedback to amendments. This feedback was addressed where appropriate.

Main changes

Revised unit standards

- Some guidance information, performance criteria and range statements for unit standards 2769, 17262 and 25405 were amended to ensure unit standards remained fit for purpose.

Reviewed unit standards

- Titles were amended for some reviewed unit standards to better align with the content.
- Unit standard 21563 and 27216 increased in credits to reflect the time required to gather evidence to meet the performance criteria.
- Guidance information was amended for unit standards to reflect changes to format requirements.
- Some performance criteria and range statements were amended to ensure unit standards remained fit for purpose.

The last date for assessment of superseded versions of Category B unit standards is December 2024

Detailed list of unit standards – classification, title, level, and credits

Key to review category	
A	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
B	Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
C	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new ID
D	Standard will expire and not be replaced

Revised units

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Horticulture > Arboriculture

ID	Title	Level	Credit
2769	Describe the application of law to arboriculture in New Zealand	5	6
17262	Carry out an arboriculture tree inspection	5	5
25405	Describe the requirements and process of transplanting large trees using specialist equipment, and post planting care	4	5

Reviewed units

Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries > Primary Sector > Plant Pest, Weed, and Disease Control

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
21563	Demonstrate understanding of the legislation, regulations and standards for the use of agrichemicals Describe hazard classification systems, and the safe and responsible use of agrichemicals	3	5 8	B
21565	Manage agrichemicals in accordance with NZS 8409:2004 Describe and manage agrichemicals in accordance with NZS 8409:2021	4	10	B
27213	Identify and interpret agrichemical product information, and demonstrate knowledge of safety with agrichemicals Identify and interpret agrichemical product information, and describe safety procedures when working with agrichemicals	2	5	B
27216	Prepare to apply and apply agrichemicals using motorised equipment	3	4 8	B
29827	Demonstrate understanding of agrichemicals, and safety when using agrichemicals Demonstrate knowledge of agrichemicals, and safety when using agrichemicals	3	5	B