

Field: Engineering and Technology

Change report for the review of Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing New Zealand Qualifications

Reviewed qualifications

[Ref]	Version	Qualification title	Level	Credits
3008	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing	3	120
3009	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing	4	120
3010	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Specialist)	5	70
3011	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Non-Structural Repair)	4	120
3012	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Structural Repair)	5	90

Review information

Qualification Developer	Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council
Reason for the review	Scheduled Review
Review date	June 2023
Outcome date	September 2023
Next review date	September 2028

Summary of review and consultation process

Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council (H-A-R) reviewed the collision repair (CR) and automotive refinishing (AR) qualifications listed above to ensure they continue to be fit-for-purpose for the motor industry. H-A-R carried out the review to better align the qualifications and remove barriers to completion especially for learners progressing to tradesperson and beyond. Feedback was received outlining that combining CR and AR in a qualification at Level 3 is not well supported by workplace learners and employers. Not all workplaces work in both CR and AR meaning it was difficult to achieve both strands, where in a provider environment providers can offer both strands in a controlled manner.

To be recognised as a qualified tradesperson in CR and AR a learner currently must achieve Level 3, 4 and 5 qualifications. The current qualification structure does not allow for flexibility with the requirement of dual skill sets at Level 3 before further progression.

Programmes leading to the Level 4 qualification contain Level 5 content which is a barrier to completion – this content has been reviewed to be fit for purpose and a new Level 5 qualification was developed to provide an education pathway on from the Level 4 qualifications and give industry graduates who can contribute to the success and competitiveness of a business by demonstrating leadership in a technical and/or operational field. Industry, providers, and subject matter experts provided feedback and input into the review and development of the new suite of qualifications.

Main changes resulting from the review

Qualification Developer details were updated from MITO New Zealand Incorporated to Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council.

- **New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing (Level 3) [Ref: 3008]**
 - This qualification will be expired and will be replaced by the following:
 - New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Collision Repair (Level 3) [Ref: 4858], and
 - New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Level 3) [Ref: 4859].
 - The last date of entry is 31 December 2025.
 - The last date of assessment is 31 December 2027.
- **New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Level 4) [Ref: 3009]**
 - Qualification credits increased from 120 to 160 to support programme development required to accommodate previous Level 5 unit standards reclassified to Level 4 as these would be expected skills of graduates.
 - Strategic purpose statement was amended to better reflect the purpose of the qualification in delivering the skills required of a trade qualified automotive refinishing technician.
 - Education pathway was amended to reflect the replacement Level 3 and Level 5 qualifications.
 - Employment pathway was amended to better reflect the skills and work ability this qualification provides for.
- **New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Non-Structural Repairer) (Level 4) [Ref: 3011]**
 - Structural Repair Technician optional strand was added to build on the core skills of the Non-Structural Repair allowing for a learner to gain the skills required to work on a wide range of different materials such as steels, aluminium, and composite materials, and effect a good structural repair.
 - Qualification title, and credits changed from 120 to 120 – 200 range to accommodate the adding of the additional strand.
 - Strategic purpose statement was amended to define the differences between the two skill sets within the qualification.
 - Graduate profile outcome indicative credit values were changed to better reflect the changes in the industry.
 - Education pathway was amended to reflect the replacement Level 3 and Level 5 qualifications.
 - Employment pathway was amended to reflect the skill sets of a Non-Structural Repairer and a Structural Repair Technician.
- **New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Specialist) (Level 5) [Ref: 3010] and New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Structural Repair) (Level 5) [Ref: 3012]**
 - These qualifications will be expired without replacement. The skill sets provided by the qualifications are now incorporated in the Level 4 qualifications [Ref: 3009] and [Ref: 3011].
 - The last date of entry for both qualifications is 31 December 2025.
 - The last date of assessment for [Ref: 3010] is 31 December 2026, and for [Ref: 3012] is 31 December 2027.
- **New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Collision Repair Advanced Industry Specialist (Level 5) [Ref: 4860]**
 - This qualification was developed to provide an education pathway on from the Level 4 qualifications.

Review outcome

Reference	Version	Reviewed qualification	Outcome category	New qualification details/version (if applicable)
3008	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing (Level 3) New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Collision Repair (Level 3) and New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Level 3)	<i>C-New replacement qualification</i>	3008-2 4858-1 4859-1
3009	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Level 4)	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3009-2
3010	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Specialist) (Level 5)	<i>D-Qualification will expire with no replacement</i>	3010-2
3011	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Non-Structural Repair) (Level 4) New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Collision Repair (Non-Structural Repairer) (Level 4) with optional strand in Structural Repair Technician	<i>B-New version of qualification</i>	3011-2
3012	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Structural Repair) (Level 5)	<i>D-Qualification will expire with no replacement</i>	3012-2
		New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Collision Repair (Advanced Industry Specialist) (Level 5)	New	4860-1

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).	B

	New review date is required.	
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 for assessment
3008	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair and Automotive Refinishing (Level 3)	31/12/2025	31/12/2027
3009	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Level 4)	N/A	31/12/2026
3010	1	New Zealand Certificate in Automotive Refinishing (Specialist) (Level 5)	31/12/2025	31/12/2026
3011	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Non-Structural Repair) (Level 4)	N/A	31/12/2026
3012	1	New Zealand Certificate in Collision Repair (Structural Repair) (Level 5)	31/12/2025	31/12/2027

**only required for outcome category C or D*

Any additional information

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. However, anyone who feels that they have been disadvantaged may appeal to Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council at the address below. Appeals will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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