

Field Service Sector

Review of *Food and Beverage* New Zealand qualifications

Reviewed qualifications

Ref	Version	Qualification Title	Credits
4285	1	New Zealand Certificate in Professional Wine Knowledge (Level 5)	60
4286	1	New Zealand Diploma in Professional Wine Management (Sommelier) (Level 6)	120

Development/Review information

Qualification Developer	Ringa Hora Services Workforce Development Council
Reason for the development/review	Scheduled review
Review date	January 2025
Outcome date	February 2025
Next review date	February 2030

Summary of review and consultation process
<p>Ringa Hora Services Workforce Development Council reviewed the above qualifications between October 2024 and January 2025.</p> <p>The review was carried out in collaboration with subject matter experts and the current programme owner.</p> <p>The qualifications were considered to still be fit for purpose, although some minor amendments were recommended. Based on the feedback, the draft qualifications were refined prior to seeking wider feedback through the Ringa Hora website. The final drafts were supported by interested parties.</p>

Main changes resulting from the development/review process
<p>For both qualifications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The word <i>destination</i> has been removed from the Strategic Purpose Statement, to allow for wider marketing concepts and initiatives to be covered The word <i>hotel</i> has been removed from the Strategic Purpose Statement and the Employment, Cultural, Community Pathway as this is covered under hospitality. Qualification Award statement has been updated. General Conditions for Programme gives guidance to education providers on programme endorsement considerations. <p>New Zealand Certificate in Professional Wine Knowledge (Level 5) [Ref: 4285]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The word <i>hotel</i> has been removed from Graduate Profile Outcomes (GPOs) 1 and 3. The requirement to prepare <i>premium cocktails</i> has been removed from GPO 5. <p>New Zealand Diploma in Professional Wine Management (Sommelier) (Level 6) [Ref: 4286]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The word <i>hotel</i> has been removed from GPOs 1 and 5.

- The word *destination* has been removed from GPO 1.
- The term *restaurants, hotels, and vineyard cellar doors* has been removed from GPO 3 and replaced by the word *businesses*.
- The term *winery, hospitality, hotel and tourism* has been removed from GPO 7.
- The term *organic and biodynamic* has been removed from GPO 8.

Review outcome

Ref:	Version	Qualification Title	Outcome category	New qualification ID/version (as applicable)
4285	1	New Zealand Certificate in Professional Wine Knowledge (Level 5)	B-New version of qualification	4285-2
4286	1	New Zealand Diploma in Professional Wine Management (Sommelier) (Level 6)	B-New version of qualification	4286-2

Qualification review outcome categories

Outcome	Result	Category
Minor changes to the qualification	Qualification version number and ID (Ref) remain the same. New review date is required.	A
Moderate changes to the qualification	New qualification version number. Ref/ID remains the same. New review date is required.	B
Significant changes to the qualification	New replacement qualification with a new Ref/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
4285	1	New Zealand Certificate in Professional Wine Knowledge (Level 5)	N/A	31 December 2027
4286	1	New Zealand Diploma in Professional Wine Management (Sommelier) (Level 6)	N/A	31 December 2027

*only required for outcome category C or D

Any additional information, including Qualification Developer contact details.

These qualifications were published in February 2025 as the result of a scheduled review.

Please refer to [Qualifications and Assessment Standards Approvals](#) for further information.

It is the intention of Ringa Hora Services WDC that no existing trainee should be disadvantaged by these transition arrangements. Any person who considers they have been disadvantaged may appeal to:

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