

Registration of skill standards and review of unit standards for *Lifting Equipment*

Subfield	Domain	ID
Lifting Equipment	Core Rigging	31815, 31817

The Waihanga Ara Rau Construction and Infrastructure Workforce Development Council has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

July 2025

Planned review date

December 2030

Summary

As part of the review cycle, the review of two unit standards was conducted in conjunction with the review of New Zealand Certificate in Rigging (Level 5) [Ref: 2357-2]. The review was announced on the Waihanga Ara Rau's website and industry notified via the Scaffolding, Access and Rigging New Zealand Association (SARNZ) in mid-2025. Online meetings were held with a technical advisory group made up of construction and infrastructure rigging representatives and key education providers between December 2024 and May 2025 to develop the suite of skill standards to meet industry needs.

The two unit standards in this application have been reviewed and were expired without replacement, as their content and intent diverge significantly. Upon review, it was determined that limitations in both coverage and relevance rendered them unfit for continued use in supporting industry needs.

The new Advanced Rigging skill standards have been developed to address the evolving and specialised competencies now expected in the field. Their development ensures the New Zealand Certificate in Rigging (Level 5) [Ref: 2357-3] reflects up-to-date skills and knowledge, supporting both industry expectations and the professional development of advanced riggers. Additionally, due to their specialised nature, these standards have been categorised within the *Advanced Rigging* domain, distinguishing them from core rigging skills.

Main changes

- Two *Advanced Rigging* skill standards were developed.
- Two *Core Rigging* unit standards were set to expire without replacement as these are no longer required by industry.

Category D unit standards will expire at the end of December 2027

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

All changes are in **bold**.

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

Service Sector > Lifting Equipment > Advanced Rigging

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
40827	Design advanced rigging operations for complex loads	5	25	New
40828	Supervise advanced rigging operations for complex loads	5	25	New

Service Sector > Lifting Equipment > Core Rigging

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
31815	Plan work and prepare equipment for advanced rigging	5	15	D
31817	Plan for and dismantle structures and plant at advanced rigging level	5	10	D