

Field Law and Security

Registration of skill standards and review of unit standards for *Prisoner Management* and *Prison Safety and Security*

Subfield	Domain	ID
Offender Management	Prisoner Management	14623, 27289, 32778
	Prison Safety and Security	29063, 32779

Toitū te Waiora Community, Health, Education and Social Services Workforce Development Council (WDC) has developed six skill standards and reviewed the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

June 2025

Planned review date

December 2030

Summary

Toitū te Waiora WDC identified the need for new skill standards to align with the New Zealand Certificate in Prisoner Management (Level 3) [Ref: 2658] graduate profile outcomes following a qualification review in 2023.

Review of the existing unit standards and development of skill standards took place between October 2024 and March 2025 in consultation with Department of Corrections, Serco, Te Pūkenga, Public Service Association, and the Corrections Association of NZ.

Wider consultation on these skill standards was sought through the Toitū te Waiora website in March 2025. No further revisions were required.

Main changes

- Six unit standards were reviewed, one of which has been set to expire without replacement.
- Six skill standards were developed.

Category C and D unit standards will expire on 31 December 2026.

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

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
14623	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of control and restraint responses in a prison environment	3	4	C
40729	Demonstrate use of force responses in a prison environment	3	5	
27289	Demonstrate tactical decision-making and communication in a prison environment	3	4	C
40730	Employ tactical decision-making skills to resolve safety and security situations in a prison environment	3	5	

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
40731	Assess gang member activity in a prison environment	3	5	NEW
32778	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of active engagement in prisoner care and rehabilitation	3	20	C
40732	Demonstrate active engagement in prisoner care and rehabilitation	3	20	

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
29063	Describe factors that influence, and strategies to manage, personal wellness in a prison environment	3	4	C
40733	Manage own wellness in a prison environment	3	5	
32779	Maintain safety and security in a prison environment	3	20	C
40734	Uphold safety and security in a prison environment	3	20	