

Field Engineering and Technology

Review of *Irrigation* New Zealand qualifications

Reviewed qualifications

Ref	Version	Qualification Title	Credits
3761	1	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 3)	140
3762	1	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Engineering (Level 4)	135

Review information

Qualification Developer	Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics, Workforce Development Council
Reason for the development/review	Scheduled review
Review date	December 2023
Outcome date	May 2025
Next review date	May 2030

Summary of review and consultation process

Hanga-Aro-Rau WDC reviewed these qualifications as part of a scheduled review. Neither qualification had been offered. The credit value was too high and seen as a barrier by industry, learners and providers and there were issues around the lack of standards available to meet the GPOs.

An advisory group was formed combining the industry association and training providers. This group had the support of the wider industry who had previously expressed a strong need for new qualifications to be developed. This group collaborated over a series of online meetings to revise the qualifications.

As the changes required were substantial, and new qualifications were developed to replace the existing qualifications. The new qualifications are fit-for-purpose and reflect current industry needs. The results of the review were communicated to the members of Irrigation New Zealand and shared with the members of the consultation group. The proposed changes have the support of the wider industry.

Main changes resulting from the review process

New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 3) and the New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Engineering (Level 4) will be discontinued and replaced by new qualifications.

The new qualifications have the following changes:

- Wording changes to the titles to better reflect the intention of the qualification.
- Wording changes to the purpose statements to better reflect the intention of the qualification.

The New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 3) credit value reduced from 140 to 65 to support learner needs and provision for industry.

The New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Engineering (Level 4) credit value reduced from 135 to 70 to support learner needs and provision for industry.

- Qualifications' core GPOs reworded to better reflect industry requirements.

Review outcome

Ref:	Version	Qualification Title	Outcome category	New qualification ID/version (as applicable)
3761	1 1	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 3) New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Technology (Level 3)	C-New replacement qualification	3761-2 To expire 5316-1 New
3762	1 1	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Engineering (Level 4) New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Technology (Level 4)	C-New replacement qualification	3762-2 To expire 5317-1 New

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
3761	2	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 3)	31 December 2027	31 December 2029
3762	2	New Zealand Certificate in Irrigation Installation (Level 4)	31 December 2027	31 December 2029

**only required for outcome category C or D*

Any additional information, including Qualification Developer contact details

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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