

**Registration of skill standards and review of unit standards for *Airport Operations***

Subfield	Domain	ID
Aviation	Airport Operations	8875, 8876, 8879, 8880, 17347-17349, 17357, 25201, 25202, 28995-29009, 32762, 32764, 32765

Ringa Hora Services Workforce Development Council has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

**Date new versions published**

**November 2025**

**Planned review date**

**December 2030**

**Summary**

Ringa Hora Services Workforce Development Council has reviewed the unit standards listed above. As part of the rollout of skill standards, the review panel agreed to create a new suite of skill standards to support the aviation industry.

Development and consultation occurred from April to August 2025 with the involvement of subject matter experts from aviation and training providers, by email and through online meetings, to co-create new aviation skill standards and consider feedback to ensure the new skill standards would be fit for purpose. Changes were made to the skill standards from feedback and confirmed by the subject matter experts.

**Main changes**

- 28 unit standards were set to expire and replaced by 27 skill standards to integrate theory and practical components of the standards.
- Two skill standards replaced unit standard 28997 to clarify the focus and intent of the original standard.
- Credits and levels were amended where relevant to match the amount of learning and assessment required.

**Category C unit standards will expire at the end of December 2027.**

**Impact on existing organisations with consent to assess**

Current consent for			Consent extended to		
Nature of consent	Classification or ID	Level	Nature of consent	Classification or ID	Level
Domain	Airport Operations	3	Standard	40935	4
Standard	8876	4	Standard	40930	4
Standard	8879	4	Standard	40931	4
Standard	8880	4	Standard	40932	4
Standard	17347	2	Standard	40933	3
Standard	17348	3	Standard	40934	3
Standard	17357	4	Standard	40936	4
Standard	32762, 32764	4	Standard	40954	4

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

All changes are in **bold**.

Key to review category	
<b>A</b>	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
<b>B</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
<b>C</b>	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new ID
<b>D</b>	Standard will expire and not be replaced

### Service Sector > Aviation > Airport Operations

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
8875 <b>40929</b>	Coordinate the escort of people at an airport <b>Facilitate the escort of people at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	5 <b>5</b>	C
8876 <b>40930</b>	Control access to the security designated areas of an airport using access control devices <b>Control access to security designated areas of an airport using access control devices</b>	4 <b>4</b>	10 <b>10</b>	C
8879 <b>40931</b>	Maintain the security integrity of a security designated airport <b>Maintain security integrity of a security designated airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	10 <b>10</b>	C
8880 <b>40932</b>	Respond to an airport emergency <b>Respond to an emergency at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	8 <b>10</b>	C
17347 <b>40933</b>	Operate a two-way radio in an airport environment <b>Use a two-way radio in an airport environment</b>	2 <b>3</b>	2 <b>5</b>	C
17348 <b>40934</b>	Operate a vehicle airside on the apron at an airport <b>Drive a vehicle airside on the apron at an airport</b>	3 <b>3</b>	3 <b>5</b>	C
17349 <b>40935</b>	Operate a vehicle airside on the manoeuvring area of an airport <b>Drive a vehicle airside on the manoeuvring area of an airport</b>	3 <b>4</b>	4 <b>5</b>	C
17357 <b>40936</b>	Demonstrate knowledge of airport geography <b>Identify and locate airport features and facilities relevant to operational roles</b>	4 <b>4</b>	3 <b>5</b>	C
25201 <b>40937</b>	Operate airport security processes at an airport <b>Operate airport security systems and respond to emergencies</b>	4 <b>4</b>	7 <b>10</b>	C
25202 <b>40938</b>	Direct operations in an operations control room at an airport <b>Direct operations from an operations control room at an airport</b>	4 <b>5</b>	5 <b>5</b>	C
28995 <b>40939</b>	Aircraft search and guard <b>Search and guard aircraft</b>	4 <b>4</b>	5 <b>10</b>	C
28996 <b>40940</b>	Provide Air Transport Security Services <b>Provide ATSY services</b>	4 <b>4</b>	10 <b>10</b>	C
28997 <b>40941</b>	Operate as an aviation working dog handler at an airport <b>Care for and train an aviation working dog for an airport role</b>	4 <b>4</b>	30 <b>30</b>	C
<b>40942</b>	<b>Work as an operational aviation working dog handler at an airport</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>30</b>	

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28998 <b>40943</b>	Maintain security awareness and vigilance at an airport <b>Maintain security vigilance and awareness at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	3 <b>10</b>	C
28999 <b>40944</b>	Manage disruptive and unlawful behaviour at an airport <b>Manage unlawful and disruptive behaviour at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	3 <b>8</b>	C
29000 <b>40945</b>	Conduct aviation screening using explosive trace detection <b>Conduct screening using explosive trace detection in an aviation workplace</b>	4 <b>4</b>	5 <b>5</b>	C
29001 <b>40946</b>	Manage the load of items for screening by X-ray screening equipment at an airport <b>Manage X-ray loading for screening at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	2 <b>2</b>	C
29002  29006 <b>40947</b>	Conduct physical search of persons as an aviation security officer Screen and search people to enter a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area <b>Search people to enter a sterile area, a security area, or a security enhanced area</b>	4 4 <b>4</b>	5 8 <b>10</b>	C
29003 <b>40948</b>	Carry out a foot security patrol at an airport <b>Carry out a security foot patrol at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	2 <b>5</b>	C
29004 <b>40949</b>	Carry out a mobile security patrol at an airport <b>Carry out a security mobile patrol at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	10 <b>5</b>	C
29005  <b>40950</b>	Screen and search items to enter a sterile area, security area, or security enhanced area <b>Screen and search items entering a sterile area, a security area, or a security enhanced area</b>	4 <b>4</b>	9 <b>9</b>	C
29007 <b>40951</b>	Establish and maintain a sterile area at an airport <b>Set up and maintain a sterile area at an airport</b>	4 <b>4</b>	4 <b>4</b>	C
29008  <b>40952</b>	Implement and maintain security at an unprepared aircraft operating area <b>Implement and maintain the security at an unprepared aircraft operating area</b>	4 <b>4</b>	20 <b>20</b>	C
29009  <b>40953</b>	Search vehicles to enter or present in a security area or a security enhanced area <b>Search vehicles entering, or present, in a security area or a security enhanced area</b>	4 <b>4</b>	5 <b>5</b>	C
32762 32764 <b>40954</b>	Apply security rules at an airport Demonstrate knowledge of airport security rules <b>Apply security rules as an ID holder within an airport environment</b>	4 4 <b>4</b>	2 2 <b>5</b>	C
32765 <b>40955</b>	Carry out aviation surveillance and behaviour detection <b>Carry out surveillance and behaviour detection in an airport environment</b>	5 <b>5</b>	25 <b>25</b>	C