

Review of *Te Ao Tūroa* unit standards

| Subfield | Domain | ID |
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| Ngā Mahi a te Rēhia | Te Ao Tūroa | 16075, 16076, 16077, 16078, 16079, 16080, 16081, 16083, 16084, 28510, 26037, 32847 |

Toi Mai 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

Toi Mai Workforce Development Council carried out the scheduled review of these standards in collaboration with Māori, industry and providers. A wānanga was held in Wellington in August 2024 to discuss the future of these standards. The outcome of this wānanga was that there was still a need for te ao tūroa standards, however these needed revising to reduce barriers and appeal to a broader range of ākonga. The wānanga was followed by smaller review meetings and online meetings in November 2024 and January to March 2025. It was decided to expire some standards due to little or no use. Other standards were updated to increase practical components, remove barriers, and ensure the focus was on a te ao Māori world view of te ao tūroa.

Consultation on the draft changes was gathered through targeted email consultation and via open consultation on the Toi Mai website in May to June 2025. Feedback received was discussed with the advisory group and small changes and clarifications made.

Main changes

- Updated guidance information for all reviewed standards including definitions and resources.
- Replaced the wording “in accordance with local iwi and hapū” with “from the perspective of tangata whenua” throughout all the standards.
- The Standard Setting Body was changed from Skills Active to Toi Mai Workforce Development Council.
- Whakatauki and whakatauāki have been included in the practical standards as a holistic guiding message.
- Significant changes have been made to some titles, outcomes and performance criteria.
- New unit standard developed “*Plan and carry out a haerenga in te ao tūroa*”. This new standard is a replacement for 16080 “Select, plan and establish a camp site in te ao tūroa”.

The last date for assessment of superseded versions of Category B unit standards is December 2027.

Impact on existing organisations with consent to assess

| Current consent for | | | Consent extended to | | |
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| Nature of consent | Classification or ID | Level | Nature of consent | Classification or ID | Level |
| Standard | 16080 | 3 | Standard | 33494 | 3 |

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

All changes are in **bold**.

| Key to review category | |
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| 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 |
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| 16075 | Manaaki others in te ao tūroa | 4 | 6 | D |
| 16076 | Demonstrate knowledge of natural resources important to Māori in te ao tūroa | 3 | 4 | D |
| 16077 | Practise local iwi and hapū tikanga and kawa in te ao tūroa | 4 | 6 | D |
| 16078 | Demonstrate knowledge of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the Treaty of Waitangi and its relevance in te ao tūroa Demonstrate knowledge of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and its relevance in te ao tūroa | 3 | 4 5 | B |
| 16079 | Demonstrate knowledge of food practices in te ao tūroa | 3 | 6 | D |
| 16080 33494 | Select, plan and establish a camp site in te ao tūroa Plan and carry out a haerenga in te ao tūroa | 3 3 | 6 6 | C NEW |
| 16081 | Demonstrate knowledge of practices associated with fire in te ao tūroa Demonstrate practices associated with fire in te ao tūroa | 3 | 3 | B |
| 16083 | Plan and obtain consents for a hikoi in te ao tūroa | 4 | 3 | D |
| 16084 | Demonstrate knowledge of the importance of water in te ao tūroa Practice safe and respectful use of water in te ao tūroa | 3 | 3 | B |
| 26037 | Demonstrate knowledge of kaitiakitanga in te ao tūroa | 4 | 3 | D |
| 28510 | Demonstrate knowledge of and operate under a framework of kaitiakitanga Apply kaitiakitanga in outdoor recreation | 3 | 5 | B |
| 32847 | Demonstrate and apply knowledge of basic concepts of kaitiakitanga for outdoor recreation | 2 | 2 | B |