

Field Engineering and Technology

Registration of *Extractive Industries Management* unit standard 33497

Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council has developed the unit standard below.

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Planned review date

December 2030

Summary

The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for the Mines Rescue qualification who conducted the review consisted of industry, regulatory bodies and providers who have consent to assess. The TAG identified that the above unit standard fills a gap in the training which existing NZ unit standards do not. Consultation for this proposed unit standard was undertaken from July to August 2025 with the Mines Rescue Trust, Bathurst Resources Ltd, ACT Safety, and OceanaGold.

The proposed unit standard serves as an Australian coversheet adopting *RIIERR403E – Lead rescue teams* to align New Zealand training with international best practice and industry requirements. This development forms part of the review and redevelopment of the New Zealand Certificate in Mines Rescue (Level 4) with strands in Surface, and Underground (with optional strand in Supervision) [Ref: 2784].

Main changes

- New unit standard 33497 was developed for an Australian coversheet adopting *RIIERR403E – Lead rescue teams*.

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

All changes are in **bold**.

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
33497	Lead rescue teams	5	10	NEW