

Field Māori

Review of *Whenua* unit standards

Subfield	Domain	ID
Whenua	Te Whakamahi Whenua	6145, 6146, 15975, 15980, 15982, 15992, 15994, 19531, 19535, 25469, 25470, 25471, 25473-25478
	Te Whakamau Whenua	16068

Maori Qualifications Services has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date new versions published

May 2026

Planned review date

December 2030

Summary

The review was undertaken as part of the planned cycle of review of Māori Qualification Services unit standards at the end of 2025. MQS along with Whakaruruhau, reviewed the Whenua unit standards to ensure that they remain fit for purpose and meet the needs and aspirations of ākonga, whānau, hapū, iwi and hapori.

Main changes

- Minor wording changes have been made to guidance information, outcomes, performance criteria and range statements for relevancy, consistency and to provide clarity for kaiako and ākonga.
- Grammatical errors have been corrected.
- Titles of unit standards 15975, 15982, and 15922 have been updated.
- Credit value of unit standards 6145 and 15992 has been amended.

The last date for assessment of superseded versions of Category B unit standards is December 2028.

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

All changes are in **bold**.

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
6145	Explain mahinga kai in relation to the way Māori connect to, and use taonga of, the taiao	3	6 4	B
6146	Plan, carry out and evaluate a local mahinga kai activity	3	6	B

ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
15975	Demonstrate knowledge of traditional Māori ways of managing insect pests and plant diseases Describe traditional Māori ways of preventing or managing insect pests and plant diseases in relation to cropping	2	2	B
15980	Demonstrate knowledge of te whānau marama	2	2	B
15982	Demonstrate knowledge of tikanga Māori for rākau Māori used for kai Demonstrate knowledge of tikanga for rākau Māori used for kai	2	2	B
15992	Explain harvesting and processing of native freshwater and native marine fish or shellfish species for kai Describe one native freshwater and one marine fish or shellfish species and demonstrate the associated tikanga for each	2	5 3	B
15994	Demonstrate knowledge of native freshwater and native marine plant species used for kai	2	5	B
19531	Demonstrate knowledge of a native marine fish and a native marine shellfish species and its significance to Māori	1	5	B
19535	Demonstrate knowledge of a native freshwater fish and a shellfish species and its significance to Māori	1	5	B
25469	Explain crop propagation in accordance with tikanga and crop requirements	2	6	B
25470	Plan, prepare, carry out, and evaluate the propagation of crops in accordance with tikanga	3	10	B
25471	Explain the cultivation of crops in accordance with tikanga and crop requirements	2	6	B
25473	Plan, prepare, carry out, and evaluate the cultivation of crops in accordance with tikanga	3	10	B
25474	Explain the harvesting of crops in accordance with tikanga and crop requirements	2	6	B
25475	Plan, prepare, carry out, and evaluate the harvesting of crops in accordance with tikanga	3	10	B
25476	Explain crop storage practices in accordance with tikanga and crop requirements	2	6	B
25477	Plan, prepare, carry out, and evaluate the storage of crops in accordance with tikanga	3	10	B
25478	Describe and compare the origins of the kūmara in accordance with ngā kōrero tuku iho	3	5	B

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
16068	Explain the work of the Waitangi Tribunal	3	4	B