

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of health and safety legislation affecting commercial forestry		
Level	5	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people working in a management role in a forestry operation.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: explain the purpose of the main safety legislation and regulations affecting commercial forestry; explain the responsibilities arising out of the safety legislation and regulations affecting commercial forestry; and describe how a Safety Management Plan is prepared.</p>
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Classification	Forestry > Forestry Knowledge
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation and reference
Health and Safety at Work (HSW) Act 2015.
Approved Code of Practice (ACOP) for Safety and Health in Forestry Operations, December 2012, available from <https://worksafe.govt.nz>.
- 2 Definitions
Principal – an individual or company who engages any person (other than an employee) to do work for gain or reward.
Safety Management Plan – documented system used to manage health and safety requirements. The plan is used to adhere to legislation and best practice requirements set out in the HSW Act, and the Code of Practice.
Worksite procedures – documented procedures used by the organisation carrying out the work and applicable to the tasks being carried out. They may include but are not limited to – standard operating procedures, site safety procedures, equipment operating procedures, quality assurance procedures, housekeeping standards, procedures to comply with legislative and local body requirements.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Explain the purpose of safety legislation and regulations affecting commercial forestry.

Performance criteria

1.1 The purpose of legislation and regulations that address safety issues are explained.

Range HSW Act, ACOP

Outcome 2

Explain the responsibilities arising out of the safety legislation and regulations affecting commercial forestry.

Performance criteria

2.1 Employee's responsibilities in respect of the employer are explained in accordance with the HSW Act and the ACOP.

2.2 Employer's responsibilities in respect of the employee are explained in accordance with the HSW Act and the ACOP.

2.3 The principal's responsibility in respect of contractors and their employees are explained in accordance with the HSW Act and the ACOP.

2.4 The role and responsibilities involved in policing the HSW Act are explained in accordance with the HSW Act.

Outcome 3

Describe how a Safety Management Plan is prepared.

Performance criteria

3.1 The requirements of a Safety Management Plan are identified and described in accordance with the HSW Act, and the ACOP.

3.2 The process for establishing and maintaining a Safety Management Plan are described in accordance with worksite procedures.

3.3 Employees' involvement in the Safety Management Plan development and management is described in accordance with the HSW Act, and the ACOP.

3.4 Procedures for the identification of hazards are described and the management of identified hazards is explained in accordance with the HSW Act, and worksite procedures.

3.5 Accident reporting requirements and investigation requirements are explained in accordance with the HSW Act, and worksite procedures.

- 3.6 Emergency procedures for forestry emergency situations are explained in accordance with worksite procedures.

Range emergency situations may include – fire, accident, evacuation.

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Comments on this unit standard

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