

Title	Prepare and present cold cocktail food in a commercial kitchen		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people who have an advanced understanding of preparation practices and cooking techniques.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to prepare and present cold cocktail food for service in a commercial kitchen.</p>
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Classification	Hospitality > Cookery
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Recommended knowledge and skills for entry: Unit 167, *Practise food safety methods in a food business under supervision*; or Unit 27955, *Apply food safety practices in a food related establishment*.
- 2 Definitions

Cocktail food – a bite-sized appetizer.

Dish requirements – any recipe or dish type specified by or specific to the establishment and made known to the candidate prior to assessment against this unit standard.

Establishment requirements – any policy, procedure, process, or agreed requirement, either written or oral, that is made known to the candidate prior to assessment against this unit standard.
- 3 Range

cocktail food – rolled, stuffed, on a base, sliced, skewered;

evidence is required of six examples of cocktail food with a minimum of one example each from meat, seafood, and vegetarian categories.
- 4 Legislation and regulations to be complied with include but are not limited to – Food Act 2014, Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.
- 5 References

Standard industry texts include but are not limited to – Foskett, D., *et al.* (2019), *Practical Cookery*. 14th ed. London: Hodder Education; Foskett, D., *et al.* (2016), *The Theory of Hospitality and Catering*. 13th ed. London: Hodder Education; Christensen-Yule, L. and Neill, L. (2017), *The New Zealand Chef*. 4th ed. Auckland, NZ: Edify, or the most recent editions available.

- 6 For the purpose of this unit standard, candidates should demonstrate an awareness of the impact of the preparation, cooking processes and storage on the nutritional value of relevant food items.
- 7 Evidence for the practical components of this unit standard must either be gathered in the workplace or in a realistic environment where the candidate has to produce product for customers who have the same expectations for quality and timeliness as a paying customer.
- 8 Appropriate food safety measures and food handling for a commercial kitchen must be applied in the preparation, cooking and presenting of the dishes for this unit standard.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare cold cocktail food in a commercial kitchen.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Ingredients of the required type, quality, and quantity are selected in accordance with dish requirements.

Range	quality may include but is not limited to – smell, appearance, freshness, within expiry date, texture.
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- 1.2 Ingredients are prepared using procedures that meet selected dish and establishment requirements and are in accordance with standard industry texts.

Outcome 2

Present cold cocktail food for service in a commercial kitchen.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Cold cocktail food is garnished and presented in accordance with dish and establishment requirements and standard industry texts.
- 2.2 Portion amounts and yields for cold cocktail food are identified and explained in accordance with dish and establishment requirements.

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

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