

Title	Prepare and cook hot cocktail food in a commercial kitchen		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people who have an understanding of preparation practices and advanced cooking techniques, including the use of advanced preparation and cooking methods, multiple ingredients, and differing flavours and textures.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare to cook; and cook and present hot cocktail food, 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 may include but is not limited to – spring rolls, wontons, kebabs, goujons, fritters, bruschetta, bouchées, filled pastry, frittata. The items must be made with fresh ingredients, but pastry may be brought in; evidence of six examples is required.
- 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 to cook hot 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, flavour, appearance, freshness, within expiry date.
- 1.2 Ingredients and cocktail food are prepared using procedures that meet selected dish and establishment requirements and are in accordance with standard industry texts.

Outcome 2

Cook and present hot cocktail food in a commercial kitchen.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Cocktail food is cooked in accordance with dish and establishment requirements and standard industry texts.
- Range quality may include but is not limited to – smell, flavour, degree of cooking, appearance.

- 2.2 Cooking methods and processes are suitable for dish requirements.
- Range processes may include but are not limited to – time or degree of cooking, temperature, change in condition, identification and correction of cooking faults.
- 2.3 Hot cocktail food is finished and presented according to establishment requirements.
- 2.4 Portion amounts and yields for hot cocktail food are identified and explained in accordance with dish and establishment requirements.

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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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