

Title	Explain the work of the Māori Land Court		
Level	3	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to explain the purpose and functions of the Māori Land Court and explain the processes for accessing information.
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Classification	Whenua > Governance of Māori Authorities
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Definitions

A *Māori authority* is an entity status that is subject to specific legislative requirements, including a specific tax rate, accounting and compliance procedures. A Māori authority may be a trustee of a trust or company. There is set criteria that governs what types of organisations are eligible to become a Māori authority. Generally, it includes entities that manage or administer assets held in common ownership by Māori. However, while an organisation may be eligible, there is no mandatory requirement for them to become a Māori authority.

A *Māori entity* refers to ahu whenua trusts, pūtea trusts, whānau trusts, whenua tōpū trusts, kaitiaki trusts, Māori incorporations, Māori reservations (e.g. marae/Māori committees), rūnanga, iwi authorities, hapū cluster groups, hauora organisations, Māori asset holders, kura kaupapa Māori, kōhanga reo, wānanga, all Māori non-government organisations (e.g. Māori Woman's Welfare League), New Zealand Māori Council, district Māori councils, local government sector, Māori/iwi advisory groups, and community committees with generic kaupapa Māori (e.g. sports club, church groups, kaumātua groups).

2 Resource Support

Campbell, B. (2011). *Governance in the collective: A study of two models*. Massey University.

Doherty, W. (2012). Raranga framework – He raranga kaupapa. In *Conversations On Mātauranga Māori* (pp. 15-36). New Zealand Qualifications Authority.

<https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/Maori/ConversationsMMv6AW-web.pdf>.

Edwards, S. (2012). Nā te mātauranga Māori ka ora tonu te ao Māori. In *Conversations On Mātauranga Māori* (pp. 36-58). New Zealand Qualifications Authority. <https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/assets/Maori/ConversationsMMv6AW-web.pdf>.

Ministry of Justice. (2020). Māori Land Court. <https://maorilandcourt.govt.nz/>

Smith, L.T. (1999). *Decolonising methodologies: Research and indigenous peoples*. London: Zed Books.

Te Puni Kōkiri. (2020). *Tupu NZ. Māori Land: Growing whānau through whenua*.

<https://www.tupu.nz/>

Te Tumu Paeroa (2020). *Te Tumu Paeroa, Māori Trustee and Māori Land Court*:
<https://www.tetumupaeroa.co.nz/about-us/te-tumu-paeroa-maori-trustee-maori-land-court/>

3. The resource supports listed above are a guide only and are not intended to be prescriptive. It is envisaged that different areas may have their own written and unwritten repositories of knowledge relevant to this unit standard.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Explain the purpose and functions of the Māori Land Court.

Performance criteria

1.1 Explain why the Māori Land Court was established.

1.2 Explain the roles and responsibilities of the Māori Land Court.

Range may include but is not limited to engagement, multiple ownership, succession, economic, social, cultural and legal. evidence of two is required.

Outcome 2

Explain the processes for accessing information.

Performance criteria

2.1 Explain the procedures for accessing information.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Registration	1	29 June 1999	31 December 2016
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Review	5	24 June 2021	N/A

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Comments on this unit standard

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