

Title	Operate a machine for baling tissue products		
Level	2	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of a baler machine; load and operate a baler machine; and process bales of tissue products.
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Classification	Wood Fibre Manufacturing > Tissue Converting
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation, regulations and/or industry standards relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to the:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015
 - Resource Management Act 1991.

Any new, amended or replacement Acts, regulations, standards, codes of practice, guidelines, or authority requirements or conditions affecting this unit standard will take precedence for assessment purposes, pending review of this unit standard.

- 2 Definitions

Tissue products refer to bathroom tissue, towel, napkins, and facial tissue.

Worksite policies and procedures refer to documented policies and to documented or other directions provided to staff. These include but are not limited to – ways of managing health and safety, environmental considerations, quality, and production, and must conform to legislation. Examples include – standard operating procedures, company health and safety plans, on-site briefings, and supervisor’s instructions.

- 3 Assessment information

Evidence presented for assessment against this unit standard must be consistent with safe working practices and be in accordance with applicable service information, worksite policies and procedures and legislative requirements. This includes the knowledge and use of worksite specific equipment, procedures, and practices.

This unit standard may be assessed in the workplace using naturally occurring evidence or in a simulated environment that demands performance equivalent to that required in the workplace. All activities and evidence must be in accordance with worksite policies and procedures.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of a baler machine.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The operational capabilities of a baler machine are described.
- 1.2 The purpose of the operating components of a baler machine is explained.
- Range operating components may include but are not limited to – control panel, main ram, bin lifter, exit door, scales, material tracking, strapping, marking systems.
- 1.3 Hazards associated with a baler machine and the role of relevant protective equipment and safety features are explained.
- Range hazards may include but are not limited to – in running nips, moving parts, automated processes, sharp edges, hot machine parts, chemicals, noise, compressed air; evidence of a minimum of five is required; safety features may include but are not limited to– energy isolation procedures, lockouts, emergency stops, guards.
- 1.4 The consequences of non-conformance with worksite policies and procedures are explained.

Outcome 2

Load and operate a baler machine.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Safe work practices associated with loading and operating a baler machine are demonstrated.
- Range practices may include but are not limited to – energy isolation procedures, lock outs, emergency stops, machine guarding, wearing of appropriate safety equipment.
- 2.2 Raw materials are loaded.
- 2.3 Operating procedures are followed.
- 2.4 Bales containing foreign material are re-baled.
- 2.5 Equipment faults, malfunctions and damaged or worn-out parts are identified and reported.

2.6 Preventative routine maintenance on the baler machine is performed.

2.7 Baler machine and work area are cleaned.

Outcome 3

Process bales of tissue products.

Performance criteria

3.1 Bales are processed.

3.2 Baler bins and log trolleys are processed at a rate that enables spares to be available for waste collection areas.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	29 June 1999	31 December 2012
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Review	5	29 June 2023	N/A
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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0013
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council qualifications@hangaarorau.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.