

Title	Operate an elevated platform vehicle for arboriculture		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare an elevated platform vehicle (EPV) for an arboriculture site; and use an EPV for arboriculture works.
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Classification	Horticulture > Arboriculture
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation, standards and references relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Resource Management Act 1991;
 - BS 3998:2010, *Tree work. Recommendations*, available from www.britishstandard.org.uk;
 - ANSI A300, *Standards for Tree Care Operations* (Parts 1 – 7) and their subsequent amendments, available from www.isa-arbor.com;
 - WorkSafe New Zealand, *Approved Code of Practice Safety and Health in Arboriculture* (2012), available from www.worksafe.govt.nz/worksafe;
 - WorkSafe New Zealand, *Approved Code of Practice for Safety and Health in Tree Work Part 2: Maintenance of trees around power lines* (2017), available from www.worksafe.govt.nz/worksafe;
 - WorkSafe New Zealand, *Approved Code of Mobile Elevating Work Platforms* (2014), available from www.worksafe.govt.nz/worksafe;
 - Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (NZTA), *Code of Practice for Temporary Traffic Management (COPTTM): Part 8 of the Traffic Control Devices Manual (TCD Manual)* (2012), available from www.nzta.govt.nz;
 - New Zealand Arboricultural Association Inc. (NZ Arb), *Best Practice Guide (BPG) for Safety Requirements in New Zealand Arboricultural Operations* (2017), available from www.nzarb.org.nz; and any subsequent amendments.

- 2 Definitions

Elevated platform vehicles include trucks fitted with hydraulic and/or extending booms, and trailers similarly fitted. Power may be supplied from the truck's engine or from a separate engine

Workplace procedures – the policies and procedures on safety and operation set down by the employer or organisation. Procedures should reflect industry best practice, the BPG, equipment manufacturers' requirements, and current legislation.

- 3 For the purposes of assessment:

- evidence must be presented in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare an elevated platform vehicle (EPV) for an arboriculture site.

Performance criteria

1.1 Check and service the EPV.

Range includes inspection of all safety features.

1.2 Select the arboriculture site.

Range ground stability and gradient, safe access, overhead obstacles.

1.3 Stabilise the EPV.

1.4 Erect signage or other precautions to secure the arboriculture site.

Outcome 2

Use an EPV for arboriculture works.

Performance criteria

2.1 Carry out on site pre-use checks.

2.2 Operate the EPV for arboriculture purposes.

2.3 Convert the EPV to travelling format after the job is complete.

2.4 Leave the site as specified in the contract.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	28 January 2000	31 December 2023
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Review	4	25 March 2021	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference
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Comments on this unit standard

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