

Title	Demonstrate a mid rope rescue using the same rope as that of the stranded person, for caving		
Level	4	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate a mid rope rescue using the same rope as that of the stranded person.
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Classification	Outdoor Recreation > Caving
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisite	Unit 20129: <i>Demonstrate single rope technique (SRT) for caving</i> , or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
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Guidance Information

- 1 All activities must comply with relevant environmental, legislative, and/or regulatory requirements set out in the *New Zealand Environmental Care Code*, Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992, Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation, and Compensation Act 2001, and their subsequent amendments. The *New Zealand Environmental Care Code* is available from the Department of Conservation, Head Office, PO Box 10420, Wellington, <http://www.doc.govt.nz/>.
- 2 The improvised mid rope rescue can be assessed in a controlled environment to minimise the risk to the candidate. This controlled environment can be either on a caving trip or at an indoor learning facility.
- 3 There are minimum assessor requirements for assessment against this unit standard. The details of these requirements are available on the Skills Active Aotearoa website www.skillsactive.org.nz.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate a mid rope rescue using the same rope as that of the stranded person.

Range from above, from below.

Performance criteria

1.1 Risks associated with being stranded on a rope and being rescued are explained.

Range must include but is not limited to – harness induced pathology, toxic shock, increased loading on equipment, complexity of personal safety.

1.2 The stranded person is reached safely.

1.3 The weight transfer of the stranded person is performed safely and efficiently.

Range must include but is not limited to – counter balance, direct lift.

1.4 A controlled two-person descent is demonstrated within ten minutes of reaching the stranded person.

Range may include but is not limited to – rope over top of rack, leg wrap, added karabiner.

Replacement information	This unit standard, unit standard 20129 and unit standard 20133 replaced unit standard 449.
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This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	29 October 2004	31 December 2021
Revision	2	26 January 2007	31 December 2021
Review	3	23 November 2017	31 December 2021

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0102
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.