

Title	Describe farm practices and farm animal behaviour		
Level	2	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: types of farming in New Zealand; and seasonal activities on a farm, fodder conservation, livestock behaviour, and responsibilities of people on farmland.
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Classification	Agriculture > General Agriculture
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:

- Health and Safety at Work 2015;
- Animal Welfare Act 1999;
and any subsequent amendments.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe types of farming in New Zealand.

Range sheep, beef, dairy, arable.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe farming types in terms of their distinguishing features, and typical locations in New Zealand.
- 1.2 Describe farming types in terms of the climatic conditions best suited for optimum production.

Outcome 2

Describe seasonal activities on a farm, fodder conservation, livestock behaviour, and responsibilities of people on farmland.

Performance criteria

2.1 Describe livestock farming in terms of the activities which occur, and their duration in relation to the time of year.

Range farming types include but are not limited to – sheep, cattle, dairy cattle, horses, goats, deer;
activities include but are not limited to – birth, weaning.

2.2 Describe arable farming in terms of the seasonal activities which occur, and their duration in relation to the time of year.

Range seasonal activities – preparation of the land, cultivation, sowing the crop, growth of the crop, crop harvest.

2.3 Describe fodder conservation in terms of duration in relation to time of year.

Range silage, hay.

2.4 Describe livestock behaviour in relation to normal behaviour, and the situations where behaviour changes.

Range includes but is not limited to behaviour of – adults, adults with young, males, recently weaned, breeding herds.

2.5 Describe the responsibilities of people who are on farmland or crossing farmland in relation to accepted standards of behaviour and expectations of the landowner or farm manager.

Range includes but is not limited to – access arrangements, reporting, movement between paddocks, use of gates, moving amongst and through herds of livestock.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	26 July 2004	31 December 2024
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Comments on this unit standard

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