

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of rates debt recovery for general land		
Level	4	Credits	6

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for local government rates officers and senior rating administrators.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of rates debt recovery from persons other than the owner, and demonstrate knowledge of rates debt recovery for general land using legal proceedings.</p>
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Classification	Compliance and Law Enforcement > Compliance and Regulatory Control
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 References
Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
Human Rights Act 1993;
Insolvency Act 2006;
Local Government Acts 1974 and 2002;
and all subsequent amendments and replacements.
- 2 Evidence must be consistent with:
 - a Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 sections 61 to 83.
 - b local authority bylaws and policies and procedures; and
 - d district scheme.
- 3 Definitions
General land refers in this unit standard to all land other than Māori freehold land.
Persons refers to legal persons.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of rates debt recovery from persons other than the owner.

Performance criteria

1.1 Notification to persons with an interest in the rating unit is described in accordance with legislation and in relation to a local authority.

Range at least two persons including but not limited to – first mortgagee.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate knowledge of rates debt recovery for general land using legal proceedings.

Performance criteria

2.1 Jurisdiction of the District Court and methods of commencing proceedings for rates debt recovery for general land are explained in accordance with legislation.

2.2 Proceedings in the District Court for rates debt recovery for general land are explained in accordance with legislation.

2.3 Procedures for filing for bankruptcy in relation to rates debt recovery are explained in accordance with legislation.

2.4 Provisions for a rating sale or lease are explained in accordance with legislation.

Range non-payment by debtor, abandoned land.

Outcome 3

Describe assessment for and collection of rates.

Performance criteria

3.1 Description explains provisions for advising ratepayers of their liability to pay rates, and identifies how these provisions are applied to a local authority.

3.2 Description explains the bases for assessment and relates these to a local authority or authorities.

3.3 Description identifies invoicing requirements.

3.4 Description explains collection in terms of discounts, penalties, and liability for unpaid rates.

Outcome 4

Demonstrate knowledge of rates remission and postponement.

Performance criteria

4.1 Provision for rates remission and postponement is outlined and explained for a local authority.

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
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Review	2	23 May 2019	31 December 2023

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