

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of strategies for achieving zero waste		
Level	5	Credits	20

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to demonstrate knowledge of strategies for achieving zero waste.
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Classification	Zero Waste > Zero Waste Theory and Practice
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- References relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to:
 Local Government Amendment Act 1996;
The New Zealand Waste Strategy: Reducing Harm, Improving Efficiency 2010
 Ministry for the Environment, available at <http://www.mfe.govt.nz>;
 information provided on government, local authority, academic institution, and industry organisations websites such as:
 Ministry for the Environment, at <http://www.mfe.govt.nz>;
 New Zealand Business Council for Sustainable Development (NZBCSD), at <http://nzbcscd.org.nz/zerowaste>;
 New Zealand Recycling Symbols, at <http://www.branz.co.nz>;
 Zero Waste New Zealand Trust, at <http://www.zerowaste.co.nz/>.
- The contexts for assessment against this unit standard exclude the wastewater and residual waste industries.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of strategies for achieving zero waste.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The explanation details strategies in terms of voluntary agreements, stewardship, and information exchange.

Range	voluntary agreements may include but are not limited to – the Ministry for the Environment’s Packaging Accord, the Waste Management Institute of New Zealand’s Lifeafterwaste programme, the Landcare Research Enviro-mark programme, extended producer responsibility, green purchasing, recycling symbols, design for the environment products; evidence is required of five strategies.
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- 1.2 Strategies for raising awareness and information exchange are identified and explained in relation to targets and methods.

Range targets – government, industry, community;
methods may include but are not limited to – events, internet, publications, training, media, communications.

- 1.3 The explanation details methods for implementing government strategies.

Range government – local, national; examples of methods are – policies, pricing, regulation, incentives, contract management, community support, research and development, funding, demonstration trials, pilot programmes, extension programmes, partnering; evidence is required of two methods for each level of government.

- 1.4 The explanation specifies aspects of strategies, which effect behaviour change and increase participation.

- 1.5 The explanation outlines strategies that provide for local employment opportunities and economic and community development.

- 1.6 The explanation outlines strategies for strengthening and developing markets for recovered materials.

Range markets – national, international;
includes but is not limited to – quality standards, cooperative agreements.

- 1.7 The explanation identifies methods for monitoring progress towards waste reduction.

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Comments on this unit standard

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