

Title	Describe breeds and classes of cattle, and identification and records for cattle		
Level	2	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to describe: the breeds and classes; and the methods of identification and record keeping, for cattle.
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Classification	Agriculture > Cattle Farming
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

All evidence presented in this unit standard must be in accordance with the Code of Welfare: Sheep and Beef Cattle, available from www.mpi.govt.nz.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe breeds and classes of cattle.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe different breeds of cattle by their physical and productive characteristics.
- Range evidence of two dairy cattle breeds is required; evidence of two traditional and two exotic beef cattle breeds is required.
- 1.2 Describe classes of cattle within a herd.
- Range classes of cattle include but are not limited to – calf, rising one year old, rising two year old, dry cow, newly calved cow or colostrum cow, springing cow, lactating cow, heifer, bull, steer.
- 1.3 Describe different breeds of cattle in terms of their production characteristics.
- Range evidence of three maternal breeds, and two terminal breeds is required.

Outcome 2

Describe the methods of identification and record keeping for cattle.

Performance criteria

2.1 Describe types of animal identification in terms of the merits for each type.

Range types include but are not limited to – ear mark; raddle; electronic tag, age identification, slaughter identification, animal health TB tag;
evidence of three types of identification is required.

2.2 Describe information required to be recorded in terms of its importance in contribution to whole farm management.

2.3 Describe methods of recording animal identification in terms of their uses and features.

Range evidence of two methods of recording is required.

Replacement Information	This unit standard and unit standard 24624 replaced unit standard 19082.
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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0052
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Muka Tangata - People, Food and Fibre Workforce Development Council qualifications@mukatangata.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.