

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of theft and fraud in a retail or distribution environment		
Level	2	Credits	5

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: describe the ways in which theft and fraud are committed by staff, customers, suppliers, and delivery persons; explain responses to theft and fraud; and explain the legal rights of a person suspected of theft or fraud, in a retail or distribution environment.
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Classification	Retail, Distribution, and Sales > Retail and Distribution Core Skills
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Definitions

Distribution environment refers to a workplace where the primary focus is on storage and distribution of stock.

Fraud refers to crimes involving deceit.

Grazing refers to unauthorised eating and/or drinking of store products and merchandise.

Retail environment refers to workplaces where the primary focus is on customers purchasing goods or services.

Sweethearting refers to theft carried out by collusion between an employee and a customer. It is so named because it most often occurs between a cashier and his or her family members or friends.

Workplace procedures referred to in this unit standard may include but are not limited to the applicable procedures found in the following: workplace performance guidelines and standards; manufacturer's procedures and specifications; Government and local body legislation.

2 Legislation relevant to this standard includes but is not limited to – Crimes Act 1961, Employment Relations Act 2000; Evidence Act 2006; Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, Privacy Act 2020, Summary Offences Act 1981, Trespass Act 1980.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the ways in which theft and fraud are committed by staff, customers, suppliers, and delivery persons in a retail or distribution environment.

Range theft may include but is not limited to – grazing, stealing goods;
fraud may include but is not limited to – sweethearting, refund scams;
evidence of one technique each of theft and fraud is required.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Techniques for theft and fraud by staff are described.
- 1.2 Techniques for theft and fraud by customers are described.
- 1.3 Techniques for theft and fraud by suppliers, and delivery persons are described.

Outcome 2

Explain responses to theft and fraud in a retail or distribution environment.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Response measures for preventing or minimising theft and fraud are explained in accordance with workplace procedures.

Range response measures may include but are not limited to – stock management, cash handling, documentation, returns, housekeeping, personal bags and clothing, storage and disposal of rubbish, lock up and key holding, checkout procedures, serving friends and family of employees, after hours security, staff purchases;
evidence of two response measures for preventing and minimising each of theft and fraud.

- 2.2 Situations requiring a call to the police are explained in accordance with workplace procedures.

Outcome 3

Explain the legal rights of a person suspected of theft or fraud in a retail or distribution environment.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Legally permissible actions for employees in dealing with a person suspected of theft or fraud are explained in accordance with applicable legislation and organisational procedures.

3.2 The legal rights of a person suspected of theft or fraud are explained.

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Comments on this unit standard

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