

Title	Explain hazards, injury prevention strategies and injury reporting requirements in the cleaning industry		
Level	2	Credits	5

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is designed for workers in the cleaning industry.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: explain hazards and how to prevent injuries in the cleaning industry; demonstrate safe manual handling techniques; and explain the requirements for reporting injuries.</p>
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Classification	Cleaning and Caretaking > Cleaning Skills
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Available grade	Achieved
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Explanatory notes

- 1 Competence demonstrated during assessment against this unit standard must comply with the requirements of:
Employment Relations Act 2000;
Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996;
Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992;
Resource Management Act 1991.
- 2 Equipment and cleaning agents must be used in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- 3 Assessment against this unit standard may include either written or verbal explanations.
- 4 This unit standard may be assessed in either the workplace or a provider environment.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Explain hazards in the cleaning industry.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 The explanation includes how working on one task for long periods of time can be a hazard in the cleaning industry.

1.2 The explanation includes how individual factors can contribute to injuries in the cleaning industry.

Range individual factors may include but are not limited to – age, weight, physical build, flexibility, strength, skill.

1.3 The explanation includes how lighting can contribute to injuries in the cleaning industry.

1.4 The explanation includes how stretching and twisting can contribute to injuries in the cleaning industry.

1.5 The explanation includes how the use of poor techniques when equipment is handled manually can contribute to injuries in the cleaning industry.

Outcome 2

Explain how to prevent injuries in the cleaning industry.

Evidence requirements

2.1 The explanation includes how physical fitness can help prevent injuries in the cleaning industry.

Range attributes of physical fitness may include but is not limited to – flexibility, good posture, strength and good health.

2.2 The explanation includes which equipment can be used to minimise potential injuries in the cleaning industry.

Range equipment may include but is not limited to – trolleys, extendable dusters and mops, and extendable vacuum cleaner pipes.

2.3 The explanation includes strategies for preventing back injuries in the cleaning industry.

Range strategies may include but are not limited to – split loads, adjusting vacuum pipes to height, pace, taking regular breaks.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate safe manual handling techniques.

Evidence requirements

3.1 Cleaning is carried out using equipment to minimise potential injuries.

Range equipment may include but is not limited to – trolleys, extendable dusters and mops, extendable vacuum cleaner pipes.

3.2 Cleaning is carried out using strategies for preventing back injuries.

Range strategies may include but are not limited to – split loads, adjusting vacuum pipes to height, pace, taking regular breaks.

Outcome 4

Explain the requirements for reporting injuries.

Evidence requirements

4.1 Reporting requirements for injuries occurring at work are explained in accordance with organisational requirements.

Range reporting requirements may include but are not limited to – timing, documentation and reporting.

Replacement information	This unit standard and unit standard 28354 replaced unit standard 7442.
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Planned review date	31 December 2019
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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	17 July 2014	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0004
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Please note

Providers must be granted consent to assess against standards (accredited) by NZQA, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess against standards by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Providers and Industry Training Organisations, which have been granted consent and which are assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Requirements for consent to assess and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR). The CMR also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Careerforce info@careerforce.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.