

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of science and technology for the production of cake and biscuit products using manual methods		
Level	4	Credits	15

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of cake and biscuit making science, cake and biscuit making processes, and faults; describe the production of cake and biscuit products; and demonstrate knowledge of a bakery layout that uses manual production methods.
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Classification	Food and Related Products Processing > Baking - Cake and Biscuit
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Definitions

Characteristics refer to appearance, texture, colour, and shape.

Depanning refer to removal from the baking form or tray.

Workplace procedures refer to procedures used by the organisation carrying out the work and applicable to the tasks being carried out, such as recipes, production specifications, standard operating procedures, site safety procedures, equipment operating procedures, codes of practice, quality assurance procedures, housekeeping standards, and procedures to comply with legislative and local body requirements.

2 Assessment information

This unit standard must be assessed against in a commercial bakery or in a simulated environment that demands performance equal to that required in a commercial bakery.

Evidence generated during assessment against this standard must meet applicable workplace procedures and must be consistent with industry practice and the generally accepted body of knowledge relating to baking science and technology. Such knowledge is available in relevant training manuals and reference texts. No one textbook or other source of information is envisaged, as new approaches to commercial baking and baking products are published regularly.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of cake and biscuit making science.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 The flour and role of gluten in cake and biscuit making is explained.
- 1.2 The role of starch in cake and biscuit making is explained.
- Range gelatinisation and retrogradation.
- 1.3 Primary ingredients are described in terms of their function and use in cake and biscuit making.
- Range flour, sugar, fats, eggs.
- 1.4 Secondary ingredients are explained in terms of their function and reasons for use in cake and biscuit products.
- Range emulsifiers, raising agents, flavourings.
- 1.5 Methods of aeration used in cake and biscuit making are explained.
- Range mechanical, chemical, biological, physical.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate knowledge of cake and biscuit making processes.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Cake and biscuit making processes are described.
- Range sugar batter (creaming method), flour batter (combination method), one bowl (all in method), whisking (egg foam method) muffin method (two bowl).
- 2.2 Steps in cake and biscuit making are identified and explained in accordance with the technique used.
- Range preparation and weighing of ingredients, mixing, depositing, forming, baking, depanning, cooling, finishing.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate knowledge of faults in cake and biscuit products.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Cake and biscuit making ingredients are explained in terms of their role in achieving recipe balance.
- Range flour, sugar, fats, eggs, emulsifier's, raising agents.

- 3.2 Cake faults caused by recipe imbalance are identified and the possible causes explained.
- Range M fault, X fault, peaked top, white spots.
- 3.3 Biscuit faults caused by recipe imbalance are identified and the possible causes explained.
- Range faults relating to – density, hardness, colour, spread.
- 3.4 Cake and biscuit faults caused by process and/or equipment are identified and the possible causes explained.
- Range faults may include but not limited to – curdled batter, cracked tops, size, thick crust, shrinking.
- 3.5 Faults are analysed with regards to process and/or equipment and the possible causes described.
- 3.6 The procedures to correct common cake and biscuit faults are described.

Outcome 4

Describe the production of cake products.

Range fruit cake, carrot cake, pound cake, sponge, muffins, banana cake.

Performance criteria

- 4.1 Cake products commonly produced in a commercial bakery are identified from product samples or photographs.
- 4.2 Cake products are described in terms of their characteristics.
- 4.3 Production processes for cake products are described and compared in terms of the equipment used, processing steps, and the relative complexities of each process.

Outcome 5

Describe the production of biscuit products.

Range Scottish shortbread cookies, Viennese biscuits, macaroons, ANZAC biscuits, gingerbread biscuits, chocolate chip cookies.

Performance criteria

- 5.1 Biscuit products commonly produced in a commercial bakery are identified from product samples or photographs.
- 5.2 Biscuit products commonly produced in a commercial bakery are described in terms of their characteristics.

- 5.3 Production processes for biscuit products are described and compared in terms of the equipment used, processing steps, and the relative complexities of each process.

Outcome 6

Demonstrate knowledge of a bakery layout that uses manual production methods.

Performance criteria

- 6.1 Equipment is identified and described in terms of its use in the production of cake and biscuit products produced.
- 6.2 Workflow patterns within a bakery are described in terms of production tasks and production requirements.
- 6.3 Optimum bakery layout is described in terms of safety, and efficiency in meeting production schedules.

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Comments on this unit standard

Please contact Hanga-Aro-Rau Manufacturing, Engineering and Logistics Workforce Development Council qualifications@hangaarorau.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.