

Title	Describe the impacts of pest plants, and benefits and impacts of pest plant control operations		
Level	3	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this standard are able to describe: the impacts of pest plants on the environment and economy; and the benefits and impacts of pest plant control operations.
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Classification	Pest Management > Pest Control
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation relevant to this unit standard includes but is not limited to:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; and any subsequent amendments.
- 2 Definitions

Pest plants refer to –

 - a. *Environmental pest plant* – any plant that threatens the balance of New Zealand's natural environment.
 - b. *Agricultural pest plant* – plants that grow and threaten the production values of agricultural land.
 - c. *Aquatic pest plant* – Pest plants that threaten waterways.

Workplace procedures are the documented policies and practices for safety and procedures within a particular worksite and are consistent with equipment manufacturers' guidelines; site signage; company health and safety plans, and regional council guidelines. This includes all best practice guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) as set out by industry groups such as - Environmental Protection Authority (EPA), and Department of Conservation (DOC).

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Describe the impacts of pest plants on the environment and economy.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe pest plants in terms of the impacts on the environment.
- 1.2 Describe pest plants in terms of the impacts on the economy.

Outcome 2

Describe the benefits and impacts of pest plant control operations.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe pest plant control operations in terms of the benefits for society, welfare, the economy and the environment.
- 2.2 Describe pest plant control operations in terms of the impacts on society, welfare, the economy and the environment.

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Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the Primary Industry Training Organisation standards@primaryito.ac.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.