

Title	Select stone for use in stonemasonry work		
Level	4	Credits	7

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for those working in the stonemasonry industry.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to select stone for use in stonemasonry work to the level of performance required of a commercially competent stonemason.</p>
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Classification	Masonry > Stonemasonry
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Assessment

This unit standard is one of a family of standards intended to align with the *New Zealand Certificate in Stonemasonry – Specifications*, and the *New Zealand Certificate in Stonemasonry (Level 4) with strands in Monumental Masonry, Construction Stonemasonry, and Natural Stone Fixtures and Fittings (with optional strands in Banker Masonry, and Conservation and Preservation)* [Ref: 2737].

Evidence for this unit standard must reflect commercial competence.

Commercial competence requires the candidate to demonstrate knowledge and skills in the context of the currently accepted requirements of a business operating in a commercial environment.

Commercial competence must be confirmed by a person who has current expertise in the stonemasonry trade.

2 Definition

Workplace procedures refer to the documented procedures specific to a workplace which sets out the standard and the required practices of that workplace, which may include workplace codes of conduct, workplace safety policies and management plans, job specifications, and building requirements.

3 Legislation and guidance information relevant to this standard includes the following, and any subsequent amendments and replacements:

- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.
- *New Zealand Building Code*, available from [Building Performance](#).
- *New Zealand Certificate in Stonemasonry – Specifications*, Waihanga Ara Rau, February 2023, available from www.waihangaararau.nz.

Skill specification and performance level guidance

Skill specification

Select stone for use in stonemasonry work.

Knowledge

The different types, qualities and characteristics of stone used by the stonemasonry trade.

How to select stone that is suitable for stonemasonry work.

Range includes compatibility of – type, appearance, durability, structural strength, availability.

How to identify the quality of, and defects in stone.

How to verify where a stone came from.

Skills

Procure suitable stone for projects.

Select suitable stone units for the different elements of a project.

Range includes appropriateness of – type, size, appearance, position in finished work.

Store stone correctly.

Recognise the identifying characteristics of stones from regions and quarries.

Performance level guidance

Performance must reflect legislative requirements and workplace procedures relevant to stonemasonry.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	23 November 2017	31 December 2026
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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 Waihanga Ara Rau Construction and Infrastructure Workforce Development Council qualifications@waihangaararau.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.