

Title	Process stone for use in stonemasonry work		
Level	4	Credits	8

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 process 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, standards 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.

- NZS 4242:2018 *Headstones and cemetery monuments*, available from Standards New Zealand www.standards.govt.nz.
- *Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide 2022*, available from New Zealand Stone Masons Association [New Zealand Stone Mason Association | Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide \(nzsma.co.nz\)](http://New Zealand Stone Mason Association | Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide (nzsma.co.nz)).

Skill specification and performance level guidance

Skill specification

Process stone for use in stonemasonry work.

Knowledge

The different ways that stone can be cut.

Range may include – hand tools, power tools, elementary quarrying techniques.

The different ways that stone can be shaped.

Range may include – dressing stone, basic carving.

The different ways that stone can be finished.

Range may include – chiselling, polishing, honing, sandblasting, sealing.

Skills

Cut stone.

Shape stone.

Finish stone.

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
Review	2	28 September 2023	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0048
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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.