

Title	Conserve, preserve and restore stonemasonry		
Level	4	Credits	40

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 conserve, preserve and restore stonemasonry 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].

It is expected that this unit standard will be awarded near the completion of a programme leading to the achievement of all outcomes of 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 Definitions

Conservation, preservation and restoration of stonemasonry refers to the sustainable care, maintenance and protection of stone structures of historic, cultural or design significance.

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, 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.
- *Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide 2022*, available from New Zealand Stone Masons Association [New Zealand Stone Mason Association | Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide \(nzsmaco.nz\)](http://New Zealand Stone Mason Association | Stonemasonry Best Practice Guide (nzsmaco.nz)).

Skill specification and performance level guidance

Skill specification

Conserve, preserve and restore stonemasonry.

Knowledge

The design and construction techniques used in the conservation, preservation and restoration of stonemasonry work.

The processes followed and techniques used to undertake the conservation, preservation and restoration of stonemasonry work.

Range may include – deconstruction, propping, seismic strengthening, cleaning, recreation of broken or damaged elements, redefining or recreating architectural details, redefining lettering and other graphics, reconstruction.

Skills

Conserve, preserve and restore stonemasonry work.

Performance level guidance

Performance must reflect workplace procedures, legislative requirements, New Zealand Standards, best practice guides, job documentation, and job specifications 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

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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.