

Title	Plan, instruct and evaluate caving skills in a streamway cave and on a short vertical pitch		
Level	5	Credits	10

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people who instruct stream way caving skills sessions.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: plan for instructing a streamway caving skills; instruct and evaluate a streamway caving skills session.</p>
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Classification	Outdoor Recreation > Caving
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 All learning and assessment against this standard must be carried out in accordance with the following:
 - relevant legislation including Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 and Human Rights Act 1993, Vulnerable Children Act 2014 and The Health and Safety at Work (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2016;
 - Caving Activity Safety Guideline published by WorkSafe New Zealand and subsequent updates;
 - industry Codes including the caving Code of Ethics, the Outdoor Safety Code and ‘Leave No Trace’ principles;
 - a recognised and approved safety management system including organisational policies and procedures including Emergency Action Plans (EAPs), Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), incident response management plans and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE);
 - relevant industry publications;
 - current industry good practice.
- 2 Definitions

Current industry good practice means the range of actions currently accepted within the adventure and outdoor sector to manage the risk of harm to staff, participants, and visitors.

Short vertical pitch means a single pitch up to 15 metres in height.
- 3 Further information regarding industry guidelines, key definitions and other relevant information can be found within the Caving programme guidance document. This document should be consulted when developing learning or assessment against this unit standard. It can be found at www.skillsactive.org.nz

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Plan for instructing a streamway caving skills session

Range includes a short vertical pitch.

Performance criteria

1.1 Develop a plan for a caving skills session including outcomes, a logical sequence of teaching progressions and activities.

Range includes – fitting of harness and helmet, use of lanyards, use of traverse lines, handlines, ladders, abseiling, belaying and spotting.

Outcome 2

Instruct and evaluate caving skills in a streamway cave and on a short vertical pitch.

Performance criteria

2.1 Instruct cave skills for a short vertical pitch.

2.2 Instruct cave skills in terms of techniques for narrow passages and squeezes.

2.3 Instruct stream way cave skills in terms of low air space, fast moving water, and sumps.

2.4 Apply facilitation techniques to engage participants in a cave skills session.

2.5 Use a logical sequence of teaching progressions while instructing a caving skills session.

2.6 Provide feedback to participants on caving technique to enhance skill development.

2.7 Evaluate personal instruction practice based on self-reflection and feedback to identify actions for improvements.

Replacement information	
	This unit standard replaced unit standard 20131.

This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

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	25 July 2024	31 December 2026

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>.