

Title	Demonstrate and apply knowledge of ski patrol emergency response systems and snowsport first responder emergency care		
Level	4	Credits	20

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of ski patrol emergency response systems for a snowsport area; and provide emergency care as first responder for emergency situations common to the snowsport area environment.
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Classification	Snowsport > Snowsport Area Operations
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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 the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, Privacy Act 2020, and the Human Rights Act 1993, and subsequent amendments and associated regulations;
 - alpine industry codes including *Snow Safety Code*; (available at <http://www.mountainsafety.org.nz>);
 - a recognised and approved safety management system including organisational policies and procedures including Emergency Action Plans (EAPs), Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE) including two way radios;
 - industry good practice which is detailed in the SAANZ Ski Area Management Safety Strategy (SAMSS);
Coordinated Incident Management System (CIMS).

- 2 Definitions

Current industry good practice means practice that adheres to accepted avalanche risk management practice which is detailed within current industry Codes, guidelines and publications.

Snowsport area policy and procedures are instructions to staff that may be documented and available for reference at each alpine resort in the form of an operations manual and/or policy and procedures manual.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of ski patrol emergency response systems for a snowsport area.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Describe the CIM System and associated roles in relation to the snowsport area's emergency plan.
- 1.2 Explain plans, systems, roles and equipment locations within the emergency procedures for a snowsport area.
- 1.3 Explain procedures for and assist in a chair lift evacuation in accordance with current industry good practice.
- 1.4 Demonstrate climbing a tower and self-evacuation from a chair-lift.
- 1.5 Obtain and record incident occurrence information in organisational incident database according to snowsport area policy and procedures.

Outcome 2

Provide emergency care as first responder for emergency situations in a snowsport area environment.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Describe snowsport area emergency plan in the event of an accident or incident and describe own role within the plan.
- 2.2 Make accident site safe for self, patient, other slope users and employees in accordance with snowsport area policy and procedures.
- 2.3 Assess and manage patient and their condition or injury as a first responder, following emergency response procedures.
- 2.4 Apply basic knowledge of anatomy and physiology to make first aid decisions in a snowsport environment.
- 2.5 Demonstrate communication skills that show respect for the age, culture and gender of patient.
- 2.6 Carry out first aid and evacuation procedures according to industry good practice and snowsport area policy and procedures.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0099
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Comments on this unit standard

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