

<b>Title</b>	<b>Demonstrate knowledge of methamphetamine screening sampling in accordance with NZS 8510:2017</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>4</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	<p>The purpose of this standard is to provide industry with screening samplers who have underpinning knowledge of screening sampling to detect the presence or absence of methamphetamine in accordance with NZS 8510:2017.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard will be able to demonstrate knowledge of: health and safety for methamphetamine screening samplers; and, methamphetamine screening sampling.</p>
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<b>Classification</b>	Cleaning and Caretaking > Specialist Cleaning Environments
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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**Guidance Information**

- 1 Legislation  
 Criminal Proceeds (Recovery) Act 2009  
 Health and Safety at Work Act 2015  
 Health and Safety (General Risk and Workplace Management) Regulations 2016  
 Misuse of Drugs Act 1975.
- 2 New Zealand Standard *NZS 8510:2017 Testing and decontamination of methamphetamine-contaminated properties* is the primary reference for this unit standard.
- 3 All assessment outcomes must be in accordance with New Zealand Standard *NZS 8510:2017 Testing and decontamination of methamphetamine-contaminated properties*.
- 4 Definitions  
*PPE* refers to personal protective equipment.  
*Property* – consistent with NZS 8510:2017 property includes: “Any property or building where people may from time to time be present, including but not limited to dwellings (including ancillary buildings such as sheds and garages), vehicles, boats, caravans, mobile homes, and other structures where people may be present for extended periods of time, such as workplaces, hotels, motels, and storage facilities.”  
*Screening sampler* refers to a person who undertakes sample collection and uses screening technology to test for the presence or absence of methamphetamine.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of health and safety for methamphetamine screening samplers.

#### Performance criteria

1.1 Health and safety is explained in terms of precautions to be taken by the methamphetamine screening sampler.

Range Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, Health and Safety (General Risk and Workplace Management) Regulations 2016 [Regs 5, 7, 8, 9].

1.2 Health and safety is explained in terms of minimum practices required before entering a property suspected of, or known to be contaminated with methamphetamine.

Range PPE, health and safety plan, risk mitigation.

1.3 The impact of methamphetamine contamination on personal health is explained.

Range exposure levels, short-term impacts, long-term impacts, accumulated effects.

### Outcome 2

Demonstrate knowledge of methamphetamine screening sampling.

#### Performance criteria

2.1 Methamphetamine screening sampling is explained in terms of the responsibilities of the screening sampler and NZS 8510.

Range responsibilities at the detailed assessment phase, responsibilities at the decontamination phase, client needs, conflict of interest.

2.2 Methamphetamine screening is explained in terms of sampling.

Range must include but is not limited to – sampling strategy that targets the surfaces most likely to be contaminated, approved techniques, field blanks, cross-contamination, chain of custody.

2.3 Methamphetamine screening sampling is explained in terms of testing.

Range laboratory based testing, field testing.

2.4 Methamphetamine screening sampling is explained in terms of reporting and recording results.

Range includes but is not limited to – audience, purpose, content, timeliness, accuracy, follow-up, recommendations.

<b>Planned review date</b>	31 December 2026
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#### Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	1 March 2018	N/A
Rollover and Revision	2	25 January 2024	N/A

<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0024
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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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