

Title	Implement communication requirements on a forestry earthworks site		
Level	4	Credits	10

Purpose	People credited with this standard are able to implement communication requirements on a forestry earthworks site.
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Classification	Infrastructure Works > Forestry Earthworks
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Available grade	Achieved
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Prerequisites	Unit 17769, <i>Demonstrate knowledge of general health, safety, and environmental requirements in forestry</i> ; and Unit 22994 <i>Demonstrate knowledge of factors that affect the performance of forestry workers</i> or demonstrate equivalent knowledge and skills.
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Guidance Information

- Learning and assessment within this unit standard must be carried out in an infrastructure forestry earthworks environment and in accordance with the following legislation, guidelines, and codes of practice, as relevant to their role, and any subsequent amendments:
 - Health and Safety at Work Act 2015;
 - Resource Management Act 1991;
 - Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014;
 - Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017 User Guide (2018) (forestry earthworks regulations 22-35), available from <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/>;
 - Approved Code of Practice (ACOP) for Safety and Health in Forest Operations (2012), available from <https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/>;
 - Excavation Safety Good Practice Guidelines (2016), available from <https://worksafe.govt.nz/>;
 - Operator Safety Manual for Earthmoving Machinery 2017, available from <https://civilcontractors.co.nz/>;
 - Plantation Forestry Code of Practice Eliminating Alcohol and Other Drugs from the Workplace (2015), available from <http://www.nzfoa.org.nz/>;
 - New Zealand Forest Road Engineering Manual: Operators Guide 2020, available from <http://www.nzfoa.org.nz/>;
 - Forest Practice Guides (2020), available from <http://www.nzfoa.org.nz/>.

2 Definitions

Company requirements include the policy, procedures, and methodologies of the company. They include legislative and regulatory requirements that may apply across the company or to a specific site. Requirements are documented in the company health and safety plans, traffic management plans, contract work programmes, quality assurance programmes, policies, and procedural documents.

Forest users may refer to iwi, principals, employers, workers on site, people on site or passing through, landowners, harvesting contractors, or transport companies.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Implement communication requirements on a forestry earthworks site.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Procedures for onsite communications are confirmed with forest users in terms of roles, responsibilities, and scope of practice of participants.
- 1.2 Sequencing of operations and changes onsite are communicated to forest users working on site.
- 1.3 Communication practices involve two-way communication, address communication blocks, are timely, and follow company and forest user requirements.
- 1.4 Actions to improve communications with forest users are implemented in accordance with company requirements.
- Range may include but is not limited to – responses, timing, sequence, clarity, appropriate to the audience.
- 1.5 Communications in terms of health and safety messages are prioritised to ensure safe work practices in accordance with the site safety plan, company requirements, and safe operating procedures.
- 1.6 Health and safety requirements for the day, or from tail gate meetings are communicated onsite.
- 1.7 Situations where new risks are identified are communicated in accordance with company requirements.
- Range may include but is not limited to – working alone, newly identified risks, non-response situations, sudden changes to site or work conditions.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
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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

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