

Title	Maintain professional standards and demonstrate leadership as a trowel trades professional		
Level	4	Credits	15

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is intended for people working in the trowel trades sectors of the construction industry.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to maintain professional standards and demonstrate leadership as a trowel trades professional to the level of performance required of a commercially competent tradesperson.</p>
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Classification	Construction Trades > Core Construction
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

1 Assessment

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 Trowel Trades (Level 4) with strands in Brick and Block Laying, Floor and Wall Tiling, Proprietary Plaster Cladding Systems, Ferro-cement Tank Manufacture, Refractory Installation, and Solid Plastering (with optional strands in Fixing Cavities and Substrates, and Decorative Mouldings) [Ref: 3137].

The level of performance for this unit standard is consistency with current professional standards. Professional standards are reflected in:

- employment agreements, codes of conduct and standard operating procedures
- training and education agreements
- standards of ethics and professionalism produced by industry membership organisations
- best practice and technical guidance produced by suppliers, regulators, education and industry organisations.

This unit standard must be assessed in the workplace and confirmed by, a person who has current expertise in the in the specific trowel trade that is the context for assessment.

2 Definitions

Sustainability of a trowel trade refers to the economic, environmental and social practices that contribute to the sustainability and improvement of the trowel trades industries.

Trowel trades refers to brick and block laying, floor and wall tiling, ferro-cement tank manufacture, solid plastering, proprietary plaster cladding system, or refractory installation.

Workplace procedures refer to the documented procedures specific to a workplace which sets out the standard and the required practices of that workplace.

- 3 Legislation, and guidance information relevant to this standard includes the following, and any subsequent amendments and replacements:

New Zealand Certificate in Trowel Trades – Specifications, BCITO, August 2021, available from www.WaihangaAraRau.nz.

Legislation accessed at www.legislation.govt.nz

- Building Act 2004,
- Construction Contracts Act 2002,
- Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act 1996,
- Health and Safety at Work Act 2015,
- The New Zealand Building Code.

Best practice and good practice guidelines

- *The Absolutely Essential Health and Safety Toolkit for Small Construction Sites*, and other Worksafe NZ publications available from www.worksafe.govt.nz.

Skill specification and performance level guidance

Skill specification

Maintain professional standards and demonstrate leadership as a trowel trades professional.

Knowledge

How to evaluate and interpret sources of information about a specific trowel trade professional standards for personal ongoing learning and development.

How professional standards contribute to the sustainability of a specific trowel trade.

Skills

Perform all aspects of a specific trowel trade to a commercially competent standard.

Range at least one of – brick and block laying, floor and wall tiling, ferro-cement tank manufacture, solid plastering, proprietary plaster cladding system, refractory installation.

Demonstrate professional behaviour on a day-to-day basis.

Fulfil responsibilities in the workplace under commercial contracts, employment and education agreements.

Self-manage on-going learning and development to maintain currency with the professional standards of a specific trowel trade.

Support the learning and development of others attaining the trade.

Lead and coordinate the everyday onsite operations of commercial trowel trades projects.

Range at least one of – brick and block laying, floor and wall tiling, ferro-cement tank manufacture, solid plastering, proprietary plaster cladding system, refractory installation.

Performance level guidance

Performance must reflect regulatory, industry and commercial standards, and workplace procedures relevant to a specific trowel trade.

Performance must include presenting a positive company image, positive body language and personal presentation to clients and colleagues.

Performance must reflect the requirements of at least one of – brick and block laying, floor and wall tiling, ferro-cement tank manufacture, solid plastering, proprietary plaster cladding system, and/or refractory installation.

Demonstrating professional behaviour on a day-to-day basis is likely to include working constructively with clients, suppliers and people involved in the candidate's learning programme; being consistently reliable, responsible and accountable; acting with integrity; making and keeping commitments; and showing respect and consideration for people, property and the environment.

Leading the everyday onsite operations of commercial trowel trades projects is limited to workflow management and completing work within the scope provided without requiring regular guidance and/or scrutiny.

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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.