

Title	Assist customers with selection of plants, planting layouts, and interpretation of planting plans		
Level	4	Credits	10

Purpose	This unit standard is for people with skills and knowledge in identification, defining characteristics, and care requirements of plants commonly held by garden retail centres. People credited with this unit standard are able to: advise customer on plant selections to meet customer requirements; assist customers to select plants for a landscape design plan; and advise customers on habits, planting, and care of plants selected.
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Classification	Retail, Distribution, and Sales > Garden Retail
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Available grade	Achieved
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Explanatory notes

- 1 Definition
Workplace procedures referred to in this unit standard may include but are not limited to the applicable procedures found in the following: workplace performance guidelines and standards; manufacturer's procedures and specifications; Government and local body legislation.
- 2 All tasks are to be carried out in accordance with workplace procedures, the workplace being the enterprise carrying out the work.
- 3 Any relevant Acts, regulations, and bylaws must be complied with during assessment against this standard.
- 4 Outcome two of this standard must be assessed against a landscape design plan provided by the customer.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Advise customer on plant selections to meet customer requirements.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 Customer planting requirements are determined.
- Range requirements include but are not limited to – required effect, desired level of maintenance.
- 1.2 Details of proposed planting site are determined.
- Range details may include but are not limited to – prevailing climate, soils conditions, aspect.
- 1.3 Features of customer preferences for garden style are determined in terms of appropriate plants.
- Range may include but is not limited to – themes, colours, textures, form.
- 1.4 Plants and planting are recommended in accordance with customer requirements and the environmental conditions of the site.
- 1.5 A range of viable options is recommended.
- Range evidence of two options.

Outcome 2

Assist customers to select plants for a landscape design plan.

Range landscape design plans may include but are not limited to – re-vegetation, commercial, private, parks and reserves, riparian zones; evidence for two different landscape design plans.

Evidence requirements

- 2.1 The planting plan and terminology are interpreted for the customer.
- 2.2 Customer is provided with advice on a selection of plants to meet requirements of the plan.
- Range includes but is not limited to – plant type, plant size, plant form and characteristics; evidence of two recommended options to meet each of three planting locations on plan.

Outcome 3

Advise customers on habits, planting, and care of plants selected.

Range evidence of five customers.

Evidence requirements

3.1 Customer is advised on the habits, planting, and care of selected plants.

Range advice may include but is not limited to – handling, preparation of plant and growing media, planting, after-planting care, reference sources for further information.

3.2 Add-on products that support the purchased plants are recommended to the customer.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	14 March 1995	31 December 2015
Review	2	22 December 1999	31 December 2015
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Review	6	19 September 2013	N/A
Review	7	8 December 2016	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0225
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Please note

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Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess against standards by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

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Requirements for consent to assess and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR). The CMR also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact ServicIQ qualifications@ServicIQ.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.