

<b>Title</b>	<b>Demonstrate knowledge of traffic law for the purpose of safe driving</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>3</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to describe the legal responsibilities of a driver, and legal requirements for driving on the road in relation to other road users.
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<b>Classification</b>	Driving > Core Driving Knowledge and Skills
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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### Explanatory notes

- 1 At the time of assessment, the candidate shall not have access to external sources of information through such means as notes, literature, or verbal suggestions.
- 2 Legal requirements relevant to this unit standard include:  
Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999;  
Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Rule 2006;  
Land Transport (Road User) Rule 2004;  
Land Transport Act 1998;  
Traffic Regulations 1976.
- 3 Any new, amended or replacement Acts, regulations, Rules, standards, codes of practice, or NZ Transport Agency requirements or conditions affecting this unit standard will take precedence for assessment purposes, pending review of this unit standard.
- 4 **Definitions**  
*Driving* means being in control of a motor vehicle. Motor vehicles include motorcycles.  
A *motorcycle* is a motorcycle, moped, or all-terrain vehicle.  
*Road users* include but are not limited to any vehicles, cyclists, pedestrians, or animals that use the road, whether they are moving or stationary.
- 5 **Reference material**  
*The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Car Drivers, The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Motorcyclists, and The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Heavy Vehicle Drivers* (current versions), which are available from booksellers, reflect legal requirements but do not override governing legislation.

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## Outcomes and evidence requirements

### Outcome 1

Describe the legal responsibilities of a driver.

#### Evidence requirements

- 1.1 The description includes the legal responsibilities of a driver in relation to motor vehicle equipment and documentation.
- Range one legal responsibility each from any five of – lighting, brakes, tyres, restraints, visible fittings, windows, steering, mirrors, instrumentation, warning devices, exhaust system, load, registration and licensing, warrant of fitness.
- 1.2 The description includes the legal responsibilities of a driver for the use of personal safety equipment for the driver and passengers.
- Range seat belts, child restraints, helmets.
- 1.3 The description includes the legal alcohol limits for the driver in terms of specific blood and breath concentrations for drivers under and over the age of 20 years.
- 1.4 The description includes the legal responsibilities of a driver in relation to crash situations.
- Range injury, non-injury, injury to animals, damage to third party property.
- 1.5 The description includes the legal responsibility of a driver for the situation in which a driver is in charge of towing.
- Range towing a trailer, towing another motor vehicle.

### Outcome 2

Describe legal requirements for driving on a road in relation to other road users.

#### Evidence requirements

- 2.1 The description includes the legal requirements for motor vehicle positioning on the road.
- Range one legal requirement each for – keeping left, driving in lanes, following distance.
- 2.2 The description includes the legal requirements in relation to a situation involving overtaking or passing on the right and for a situation involving overtaking or passing on the left.

Range one legal requirement for each situation – no passing lines, pedestrian crossings, laned roads, unlaned roads, laned intersections, unlaned intersections.

2.3 The description includes the legal requirements for giving way to other road users at controlled intersections, uncontrolled intersections, and roundabouts.

2.4 The description includes the legal requirements where traffic controls regulate road users.

Range one legal requirement each for – railway level crossings, school patrols, pedestrian crossings, motorways;  
one legal requirement each for – lane markings, traffic lights, police officers, road works.

2.5 The description includes legal requirements where traffic signs regulate road users.

Range legal requirements for – two compulsory signs, two hazard warning signs.

2.6 The description includes driver communication methods in relation to signalling and warning.

Range two methods each for – signalling, warning.

2.7 The description includes legal requirements for the use of motor vehicle lights.

Range while driving, while parked.

2.8 The description identifies speed limitations in relation to adverse conditions, accident scenes, school buses stopped to let passengers on or off, and towing.

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**Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions**

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	21 March 1995	31 December 2017
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<b>Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference</b>	0092
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

**Please note**

Providers must be granted consent to assess against standards (accredited) by NZQA, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

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

Providers and Industry Training Organisations, which have been granted consent and which are assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

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 (CMRs). 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.

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**Comments on this unit standard**

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