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| <b>Title</b> | <b>Tow a light simple trailer</b> |                |          |
| <b>Level</b> | <b>2</b>                          | <b>Credits</b> | <b>1</b> |

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| <b>Purpose</b> | People credited with this unit standard are able to: secure a light simple trailer to a towing vehicle; tow a light simple trailer in a forward direction along a road; and reverse a light simple trailer. |
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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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| <b>Prerequisites</b> | Candidates must hold a minimum of the class of licence required for the vehicle being driven and comply with the requirements of the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999 and the Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Rule 2006. |
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## Guidance Information

- Legislative requirements to be complied with for 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;  
Land Transport Rule: Vehicle Dimensions and Mass 2002;  
New Zealand Standard (NZS) 5467: 1993 *Code of practice for light trailers*.
- Any new, amended or replacement Acts, regulations, Rules, standards, codes of practice, or Waka Kotahi New Zealand Transport Agency requirements or conditions affecting this unit standard will take precedence for assessment purposes, pending review of this unit standard.
- Reference material  
*The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Car Drivers* (current version), available from booksellers, reflects legal requirements but does not override governing legislation.
- Definitions  
*A light simple trailer* is a trailer with a gross vehicle mass of 3,500 kg or less, (the gross vehicle mass includes the maximum load that the trailer can carry).  
*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 Competency in this unit standard requires that all actions comply with traffic law, and evidence indicates that all actions are carried out in a manner that avoids actual or potential danger to other road users and to the occupant(s) of the driven motor vehicle. The trailer must also comply with all legal requirements for being towed on the road.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Secure a light simple trailer to a towing vehicle.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Trailer load is checked for security.
- 1.2 Connection of trailer couplings to towing vehicle is checked for the correct coupling and for security of the attachment.

### Outcome 2

Tow a light simple trailer in a forward direction along a road.

Range on roads with speed limits of 100 km/h, in urban areas.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Trailer is towed during accelerating, braking, and cornering while maintaining smooth directional control at a speed safe for the conditions.

Range cornering includes negotiating bends, intersections.

### Outcome 3

Reverse a light simple trailer.

#### Performance criteria

- 3.1 Trailer is reversed in a straight line continuously for a minimum of 20 metres without repositioning.

- 3.2 Trailer is reversed through a 90 degree turn.

Range to the left, to the right.

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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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| Review       | 6       | 28 April 2022    | N/A                      |

**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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