

Title	Participate in introductory caving		
Level	1	Credits	2

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare for participation in introductory caving; and demonstrate safe respectful movement through a cave.
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Classification	Outdoor Recreation > Caving
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 All learning and assessment within this standard must be carried out in accordance with the following as relevant:
 - Te Tiriti o Waitangi/Treaty of Waitangi principles of partnership, protection and participation;
 - relevant legislation including Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, Health and Safety at Work (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2016, Privacy Act 2020, Children’s Act 2014 and Human Rights Act 1993, and all subsequent amendments and associated regulations;
 - *The New Zealand Curriculum* and/or *Te Marautanga o Aotearoa*; EOTC Guidelines – Bringing the Curriculum Alive 2016;
 - industry guidelines, including any relevant Good Practice Guide, found at <http://www.supportadventure.co.nz/good-practice/good-practice-guidelines/> and Activity Specific Guidelines, found at <http://www.supportadventure.co.nz/good-practice/activity-safety-guidelines-2/>;
 - industry codes such as the Mountain Safety Council Land Safety Code, available from <https://www.mountainsafety.org.nz/land-safety-code/> and Leave No Trace principles and relevant Care codes, all available from <https://www.doc.govt.nz/parks-and-recreation/know-before-you-go/care-codes/>, and any relevant activity specific industry codes;
 - a Safety Management System (SMS) including organisational policies and procedures covering risk management, incident and emergency response, and the use of personal protective equipment (PPE);
 - current industry good practice.

- 2 Definition

Current industry good practice means the range of actions currently accepted within the adventure and outdoor sector to manage the risk of harm to staff, participants, and others.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare for participation in introductory caving.

Performance criteria

1.1 Wear or carry suitable clothing and footwear for safety, comfort and protection.

Range may include but is not limited to – helmet, light, secondary light source, protective clothing and footwear.

1.2 Fit and adjust any necessary safety equipment.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate safe respectful movement through a cave.

Performance criteria

2.1 Take steps to minimise own impact on the caving environment.

Range may include but is not limited to – following route selected, care of speleothems, preventing damage, waste management, mud management.

2.2 Demonstrate personal and group safety while moving through a cave.

Range may include but is not limited to – staying with the group, following instructions, providing support to others.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	1 October 1993	31 December 2023
Revision	2	24 July 1996	31 December 2023
Revision	3	19 February 1998	31 December 2023
Revision	4	5 May 1998	31 December 2023
Revision	5	14 February 2000	31 December 2023
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Review	7	28 October 2021	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0099
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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 the Skills Active Aotearoa info@skillsactive.org.nz if you wish to suggest changes to the content of this unit standard.