



## general information

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### General information on the Targeted Review of Qualifications (TRoQ)

The New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) has begun a review of New Zealand Qualifications. NZQA had been tasked by the Government to reduce the duplication across the whole Framework by 45% by 2012.

Reviews of qualifications on the NZQA Framework are split into clusters; clusters are related areas of qualifications, such as Infrastructure Works.

At this stage there are 33 qualifications listed within the Infrastructure Works review. InfraTrain New Zealand will lead the review process for the Infrastructure Works review cluster.

### Why are qualifications being reviewed?

The review is aimed at ensuring that qualifications are useful and relevant to current and future learners, employers and other stakeholders.

The review was initiated in response to concerns raised by employers, employees and unions about the clarity and relevance of qualifications, particularly work place learning qualifications.

### Review consultation and outcomes

TRoQ will be conducted as a collaborative approach where key Tertiary Education Organisations (TEO's), Private Training Providers (PTE's), industry associations, and interested industry stakeholders will work together on defining the learning needs of the sector.

Qualifications are to be reviewed and where necessary re-developed towards a national needs focus, aiming for a 'one qualification concept' – a single qualification per industry sector (or domain) and level where possible, depending on the identified strategic needs of the sector.

InfraTrain New Zealand is the national standard setting body for the infrastructure industry and is well placed to develop and maintain qualifications that are focused on the national needs of industry. Qualification moderation can also be managed consistently at a national level.

Once the TRoQ process is complete, the resulting qualifications will become public domain, listed on the New Zealand Qualifications Framework.

Accredited providers will then develop and deliver NZQA quality assured programmes of learning or training that lead to the achievement of the qualification.

### Timings

The Infrastructure Works sector has been scheduled to undertake a formal review commencing quarter two of 2012 with revised qualifications aimed for release two to three years following the review.

### More information

We'll update our website as more information becomes available. To receive updates and more information on the targeted review of qualifications you can sign up for our email notifications on our website.