

New assessment packs out now

The new assessment templates are in use. Level 2 assessment packs supported by Training Assessment Resources (TARs) are available on the assessor webpage. We will keep you informed of when other assessments are transferred to the new templates.

About the new packs

There is now both a trainee assessment pack and an assessor pack for each unit standard. The assessment material has been redesigned to remove much of the previous duplication. For example, the assessor must generally sign their name only once unless they are an observer of the Practical Observation task.

ASSESSOR

The new assessor pack gives clearer parameters around what makes sufficient evidence and provides more descriptive judgment statements. Unit standard information such as explanatory notes and outcomes are also written in full. These changes will better support consistency across assessment.

TRAINEE

Improved design features of the trainee assessment pack include larger font size, more white space and the use of icons and other design features to help make the packs easier to use. We have also focussed on presenting essential information in plain English that is easy to understand.

Read about features in each section of the new trainee assessment pack [here](#).

LinkUP aims to keep ESITO's assessors and moderators up-to-date with the latest information and news of benefit to you and your trainees.

NZQA terminology changes

NZQA has made changes to terms used in unit standards and expects them to be applied to all units as they are reviewed. However, as ESITO is currently transferring all assessment material to new templates, it makes most sense that we change the NZQA terminology at the same time.

Please note that as some unit standards would not come up for review for a while, there will be a period where unit standard terms will be different from terms used in the assessment material. For practical purposes, there is no difference in meaning between the old and new terms.

Old term		New term	
Special notes		Explanatory notes	
Elements		Outcomes	
Record of Learning	ROL	Record of Achievement	ROA
Performance Criteria	PC	Evidence of Requirement	ER
Competent	C	Achieved	A
Not yet Competent	NYC	Not achieved	N

Non compliance with moderation requests

As part of a review of the ESITO Assessment, Moderation and Accreditation procedures (mentioned in the [ESITO Update, August 2010](#)), ESITO has refined the procedure for non compliance with moderation.

Non compliance occurs when assessors/ providers do not participate in ESITO requested moderation. The procedure outlined in the [non compliance flowchart](#) is effective immediately.










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Linking up with ESITO's Assessors and Moderators

Who's who in the ESITO assessment and moderation team?

<p>Natalie Simmons</p> 	<p>Responsible for day to day assessor matters, including assessor application and registration, scope, access to assessment resources and queries about post assessment moderation.</p> <p>Responsible for the allocation and processing of, and enquiries about, pre and post assessment moderation.</p>	<p>You would contact Natalie in the first instance for anything to do with assessment or moderation on a day to day basis. natalies@esito.org.nz</p>
<p>Tim Stevens</p> 	<p>Responsible for qualification development and writes the unit standards.</p>	<p>You would contact Tim about the development of unit standard content. He maintains the website link for feedback about unit standards and responds to all feedback given. tims@esito.org.nz</p>
<p>Ngaireta O'Neill</p> 	<p>Responsible for handling the external post assessment moderation process.</p> <p>Reviews the content of assessment packs.</p>	<p>Ngaireta may contact you following an enquiry you might make to Tim or Natalie.</p>
<p>Kevin White</p> 	<p>Technical Advisor to ESITO staff.</p>	<p>Kevin may contact you following an enquiry you might make to Tim, Natalie or Ngaireta regarding assessment material.</p>
<p>Kate Duggan</p> 	<p>Quality assurance of assessment and moderation processes, including development of policy and procedure.</p> <p>Manages professional development for assessors and moderators.</p>	<p>Assessors and moderators would contact Kate about professional development opportunities.</p> <p>Kate is the main liaison for moderators but is not generally your first port of call for day to day assessor enquiries. kated@esito.org.nz</p>





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Recognition of Current Competence (RCC)

The Line Mechanic RCC process is being trialled to positive response and should be available for use around mid October. An RCC process for Cable Joints is under development and the review of the general RCC process is nearing completion. The process and forms for this latter process will be available mid October. Only those assessors who have attended RCC training will be eligible to be registered to conduct an RCC assessment.

Thank you to all assessors and moderators who attended the workshops in Auckland, Dunedin and Hamilton and to Jack Doherty, who facilitated them.

Credit Registration

Hannah Rae is the person who registers credits at ESITO. Her email contact information is hannahr@esito.org.nz. Please send credit registrations directly to Hannah at the address above.

Evaluation of Assessment Forms

Trainee feedback is crucial to our quality processes. Please hand these forms to trainees when you carry out an assessment so they have an opportunity to comment on how it went. The forms are located on the [Assessor Login](#) webpage.

Get to know your moderator

Our moderators for this issue come from the top end of the North Island; Grant Brown and Carl Groshinski.



Grant Brown

Grant works for Northpower in Whangarei where he started as a Trainee Line Mechanic. He then progressed to Glove and Barrier Line Mechanic, before becoming the Network Contracts Manager. Grant began assessing with ESITO in 2006 and has been a registered ESITO moderator for the past three years. In 2008, supported by ESITO's literacy and numeracy initiatives, Grant achieved the National Certificate in Adult Literacy Education (Vocational) (Level 5). Grant continues to pursue professional development in other areas of adult education.



Carl Groshinski

Carl also works for Northpower and has been in the industry for 'just a little while'. He worked in thermal power station operations at Marsden Power Station for 14 years, then did a two year stint overseas as contract operations manager for thermal power station generation. Switching to hydro power stations, Carl worked as an operator at Waikaremoana and Tongariro, moving on to Regional Control Centre Operations for Transpower. Carl's training experience includes Interaction Management Facilitation for Electricity Corporation of New Zealand (ECNZ) and 20 or so years in operations training. Carl holds the National Diploma in Electricity Supply (Level 6) and recently completed the National Certificate in Adult Literacy Education (Vocational) (Level 5). For his sins, Carl has been a registered ESITO moderator for around eight years.

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