

National Certificate in Snowsport – (Snow School) (Level 5) with optional strands in Children’s Instruction and Pipe and Park Instruction

This qualification is designed for people working at snowsport areas as experienced ski or snowboard instructors or coaches. It has also been designed to complement internationally recognised Snowsport Instruction qualifications, such as those developed by the New Zealand Snowsport Instructors Alliance (NZSIA), by providing recognition for the essential skills and competencies required by employers at New Zealand snowsport areas.

The qualification contains a core compulsory section that provides recognition for advanced snowsport instruction and basic avalanche awareness skills. Core Elective 1 provides for advanced free skiing or snowboarding ability and Core Elective 2 builds upon other essential skills required of ski or snowboard instructors or coaches.

The Children’s Instruction optional strand recognises the specialised skills required to safely and effectively instruct a group of children of different ages to ski or snowboard.

The Pipe and Park Instruction optional strand recognises the ability to instruct pipe and park terrain skills.

This qualification shares some common unit standards and builds on from the National Certificate in Snowsport (Snow School) (Level 3) [Ref:0898] and can lead towards the Snowschool strand of the National Certificate in Snowsport (Supervision) [Ref:0971]; and other Sfrito qualifications such as National Certificates in Community Recreation, Fitness, or Sport.

This qualification will be awarded to people credited with the Core Compulsory unit standards and who have met the requirements of the Core Electives 1&2.

Core Compulsory			
Unit No	Title	Level	Credit
4589	Instruct advanced snowsport	5	15
18134	Demonstrate knowledge of avalanche phenomena	3	2
18135	Assist on an avalanche response	3	2
18992	Apply advanced teaching and group management skills when instructing snowsport	5	10
21746	Demonstrate communication and customer service skills for snowsport instruction	3	5
21747	Demonstrate knowledge of the policy and procedures of a snowschool	3	2
21752	Understand teaching and learning styles, and develop own teaching style for snowsport instruction	4	3
Total of 39 Credits			

Children’s Instruction Compulsory			
Unit No	Title	Level	Credit
18991	Demonstrate advanced techniques for instructing groups of children of different ages in snowsport	5	10

Pipe & Park Compulsory			
Unit No	Title	Level	Credit
21748	Instruct intermediate pipe and park snowsport	5	8

Elective 1 Complete one of the standards listed			
Unit No	Title	Level	Credit
4598	Snowboard alpine-style on advanced terrain	5	15
4599	Snowboard free-style on advanced terrain	5	15

18103	Alpine free ski with performance on all terrain	5	15
Elective 2 Complete a minimum of 6 credits from the following standards			
Unit No	Title	Level	Credit
505	Manage personal physical fitness	1	3
3492	Write a short report	2	3
4098	Use standards to assess candidate performance	4	5
4573	Communicate in the outdoors using two-way radio	2	1
4864	Identify recreational needs of specified populations	3	4
5371	Select clothing and equipment to enhance sport skill development and performance	3	2
6400	Manage first aid in emergency situations	3	2
6401	Provide first aid	2	1
6402	Provide resuscitation level 2	1	1
6571	Demonstrate relevance of principles of nutrition to health	2	2
8638	Drive on snow and/or ice	3	3
10791	Participate in informal meetings	2	3
11281	Prepare candidates for assessment	4	3
18136	Demonstrate own party rescue	3	2
18138	Fit and remove vehicle chains	2	2
21414	Plan and lead a recreation activity	2	4
21740	Demonstrate use of avalanche transceivers, shovels and probes	2	1
21751	Assist with the evacuation of a chairlift	2	1

Total of 60 credits (or 68 or 70 with optional strand)
