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New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners NEWSLETTER



This is the New Zealand Mining Board of Examiners (the Board) October 2016 meeting's newsletter.

DEPARTING BOARD MEMBERS

The Chair acknowledged the contribution that the six departing Board members had made to the Board over the past two years and to the extractives industry in general: Andy Loader; Bernie O'Leary; Dave Stewart; Dean Torstonsen; Iain Simmons and Marianne Rogers.

CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE: UPDATING APPLICATIONS

Certificate of Competence (CoC) holders in the extractives industry are required to renew their CoC by 1 January 2017.

The Board has advised that applications should be submitted **as soon as possible** so they can be processed and approved by the Board by Friday 23 December 2016 (the Board Secretariat's last working day before the 1 January 2017 deadline).

Applications that are not processed by Friday 1 January 2017 will automatically lead to the loss of the CoC. Applicants will then be required to submit a new application.

PANEL OF EXAMINERS INDUCTION

On 25 October 2016, induction training was conducted for recently appointed members to the Panel of Examiners' Register (Register). The day was a success for the ten new members of the Register.

The Board is always seeking experienced industry members to apply to be on the Register. This is a great opportunity to contribute back to your industry and also gain CPD hours. For more information: www.business.govt.nz/worksafe/information-guidance/guidance-by-industry/extractives/board-of-examiners/notices-etc/expressions-of-interest-criteria-widened.pdf

If you are interested or have any questions please call Ari Motus on 04 901 0691 or email the Board Secretariat: BoE_Secretariat@worksafe.govt.nz

VERIFICATION POLICY

The Board approved its Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Verification Policy.

The Board needs to monitor whether CoC holders are meeting their CPD requirements. Given the large numbers, the Board cannot regularly check every CPD log book. It is up to each CoC holder to fill in their log book and make sure they are meeting requirements.

The way in which the Board is going to monitor compliance is by randomly selecting 5% of all CoC holders to have their log books verified. This will happen in the first three months of each year. Those who have gone through the verification process will not need to be verified for the next three years, unless their CoC is up for renewal.

Only formal learning will be verified. Verification will focus on confirming whether the recorded activity has taken place, so it is important to keep evidence such as invoices, attendance records and certificates. In addition, log book entries will be checked to make sure they are relevant and have been correctly classified.

For those who don't meet requirements, a supportive, educative approach will be taken wherever possible to support the holder to meet their CPD requirements. They are likely to go through a verification process the next year.

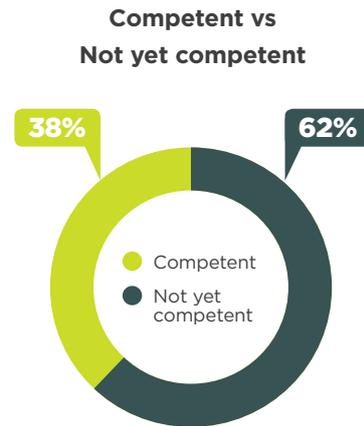
Verification will also be undertaken before a CoC is renewed. This will be done at least six months before the expiry date, so the holder can have enough time to meet CoC requirements if there are any issues which have been picked up.

To get the full Continuing Professional Development Verification Policy please contact the Board Secretariat: BoE_Secretariat@worksafe.govt.nz

NEW CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE RESULTS

The following table and chart set out results up to the end of October 2016.

CoC	Total	C*	NYC*	C* %	NYC* %
A Grade Quarry	17	11	6	65%	35%
B Grade Quarry	24	9	15	38%	63%
Tunnel	6	5	1	83%	17%
Opencast	14	10	4	71%	29%
Mining	2	2	0	100%	0%
SSE	28	22	6	79%	21%
Mechanical	13	8	5	62%	38%
Electrical	13	8	5	62%	38%
Ventilation	8	2	6	25%	75%
Mine Surveyor	1	1	0	100%	0%
TOTAL	126	78	48	62%	38%



126	Oral exams
78	Competent
48	Not yet competent

C* = Competent
NYC* = Not Yet Competent

Mark Pizey, Chairperson
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