

MNC04 Coal (amendments)

Members of the National Quality Council endorsed the category two change to the MNC04 Coal Training Package, out of session on 21 December 2007. The Ministerial delegate approved the category two change on 16 January 2008.

The category two change was submitted to VETAB for accreditation on 18 February 2008.

The MNC04 Coal Training Package was endorsed in April 2004. Since then, a process of continuous improvement consultation has been undertaken. The process has resulted in the refinement of a few units of competency. Some of the refinements were required to meet the outcomes of a coroner's report and others to better meet specific industry needs.

Changes have been made to the mandatory texts, units of competency and packaging rules of qualifications which have resulted in the Category two change to the MNC04 Coal Training Package.

All Resources and Infrastructure Training Packages (Coal, Civil Construction, Drilling, Extractive Industries and Metalliferous Mining) are currently part of an ongoing rationalisation and consolidation project. This is aimed at reducing the number of units and qualifications and producing a single Resources and Infrastructure Training Package. This project is expected to be completed in the second half of 2008.

The changes in this submission include:

- The competency standards were adjusted to meet industry needs to include all relevant applied knowledge and skills;
- The qualification packaging rules have been amended to meet the Australian Qualification Framework and industry requirements;
- BSZ98 units were replaced with TAA04 units; and
- Employability Skills have been embedded in the all units of competency.

Qualification Outcomes:

MNC20107 Cert II in Surface Coal Operations

MNC20307 Cert II in Underground Coal Operations

MNC30307 Cert III in Underground Coal Operations

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