



Rural Fire Crew Leader

Skill Development Certification Programme

AIM – This programme has been designed to impart knowledge and awareness of the skills and competencies required to lead a Rural Fire Crew at wildfires, whilst operating under the command of a fire line supervisor.

NZQA – Participants are also given the opportunity to achieve the following National Qualification Framework unit standards by way of practical assessment and verification of competency.

Units	Unit Standards Covered that can be earned during this Skill Development Workshop	Level	Credits
3291	Lead a vegetation fire crew	4	4
3290	Exercise initial response, command, and control for vegetation fire operations	5	4
14564	Demonstrate knowledge of the fire environment on vegetation fire behaviour *	4	3
17593	Apply safe work practices in the workplace *	2	4

Date	Duration	Venue	Based on N° of Trainees
TBC	2 Days - 0700 - 1700	Distance learning & practical in agreed venue	Min of 6 / Max 12

PREREQUISITES – It is a requirement that Crew Leaders hold Rural Fire Fighter position competencies and have attained or are working towards attaining compulsory Rural Fire Fighter Units 3285, 3278, 4573, 3286, 21417, 3270 and 3287.

COURSE CONTENT – This 2 day ‘Hands-On’ course involves instructor-led theory and practical sessions, covering an understanding of legislation, safety procedures, leadership skills and fire fighting tactics relating to wildfires and other incidents.

Delivery includes supported pre-course distance learning, assessment projects, and audio visual workshops which will help develop the skills and knowledge required to operate safely and effectively lead and manage a rural fire crew.

PRACTICAL EXERCISES – Finally we tie all the theory into a practice by allowing participants to respond to and manage a Rural Fire Crew and perform assigned Crew Leader duties during a number of simulated fire suppression operations. More than 90% of the course is practical so that attendees gain competency with modern fire control techniques. This provides participants with an opportunity to practice duties, test procedures and experience ‘Hands-On’ practical field simulations.



ASSESSMENT – An individual's competency will be assessed against FRSITO performance criteria using various assessment methods including answering questions whilst demonstrating practical skills. Individuals become certified as competent to the level by being assessed against US Assessment Guides performance criteria.

CERTIFICATION – Certification is achieved through an assessment process, which includes demonstrating leadership skills, applying fire fighting tactics and answering related questions. Successful graduates will be awarded Fire & Rescue New Zealand's **Rural Fire Crew Leaders** certificate and credited with the above unit standards to validate that they have received structured training in accordance with the procedures on safety and operation set down by the host Fire Authority pursuant to the requirements of the Health & Safety in Employment Act, Regulations and associated Amendments and NRFA Training Standards.

Safety won't cost you anything...until your Crew Leader forget it!
It's their daily routine – it doesn't have to be dangerous – enrol them today

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