



Working with Helicopters Certification

TARGET GROUP – This programme is targeted at Fire and Rescue Service (FRS) personnel who work at wildfires and other emergencies where helicopters may be present.

PURPOSE – It is designed to take a member with existing (RFF) competencies and enable them to attain the necessary theoretical and practical skills to work safely with helicopters, establish helipads, attach equipment to helicopters and fill monsoon buckets, under the command of a Crew Leader or Helipad supervisor.

NZQA – This course is a practical based programme that uses predominantly hands on adult learning techniques to meet identified learning outcomes of the following unit standards:

Units	Description	Level	Credit	Ver
423	Work with Helicopters	3	3	6
3288	Load water and additives for aerial operations at rural fires	3	2	4

Theory Skill Development	Operational Skill Development & Assessment Activities	Based on N°
By Distance learning	Rostered Day between 0800 – 1700 hours	Min of 6 - Max 24

COURSE FEES – This service is delivered on a **Flat Fee** for this service basis, at a cost of \$2000 + GST per course, for up to a maximum of 24 participants. This fee covers the cost of professional planning, tuition, certificates & reporting of credits to NZQA. A travel and accommodation surcharge will apply for bookings outside of Central Hawkes Bay.

PREREQUISITES – Participants must read over and complete all pre-course assignments before commencing assessment.

TRAINING – This ‘Hands-On’ instructor-led theory and practical course involves pre-course work* and is made up of 3 hours of ground school and is supported by PowerPoint and DVD presentations. It is followed by 3 – 4 hours of safety procedures, establish helipads, filling monsoon buckets and attaching equipment to helicopters



ASSESSMENT – Progressive theory and practical assessments throughout the course, based on the NZQA/EMQUAL/SKILLSACTIVE assessment criteria of each unit standard, including oral questions relating to underpinning knowledge and practical leadership and fire fighting skills in line with NRFA training guidelines.

Because each participants experience differs, further requirements may be required by attestation from an active Rural Fire Officer who has witnessed the person performing the required tasks.

CERTIFICATION – Participants who are deemed competent against the NZQA assessment criteria of each unit standard, will be awarded an **HELITACK Loadmasters** Certificate, and be credited with the above unit standards on their NZQA Record of Achievement to validate that they have received structured fire control training in accordance with the Health & Safety in Employment Act, Regulations and associated National Rural Fire Authority Training Standards.

WHY CHOOSE US AS YOUR TRAINING PROVIDER? – As a private Fire Service and Tertiary Education Organisation, Fire & Rescue New Zealand has over 16 years’ experience in the delivery of on-site fire extinguisher, fire fighting, first aid, confined space, breathing apparatus, height safety and rescue training and assessment services. Our training services are tailored to meet the needs of your business, and they are taught by professional fire fighters with real life operational experience in fire and medical emergencies.

BOOKINGS – For further details regarding advice or to book this course please contact Captain Simon Osborne by email simon@fire-rescue.ac.nz or FREE phone 0800 347 398 or TXT 021 712 180 or Skype [pyro-kiwi](https://www.skype.com/en/contacts/pyro-kiwi)

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