

National Vocational Certificate in Road Construction and Maintenance (Level 3) (Blading Operations - Blader)

level of qualification: 3

	Compulsory	Elective
level 1 credits available	4	-
level 2 credits available	50	-
level 3 credits available	57	-
minimum totals required for whole qualification	111	-

registration date: 2011

scheduled review date: 2016

body responsible for the qualification: Roads Authority

other bodies whose unit standards are included in the qualification:
Namibia Training Authority - NTA

1 purpose

This qualification is a direct response to the continuous effort of the Roads Authority to address the lack of adequately skilled human resources in road construction and maintenance. The intention of this qualification is to provide learners with the knowledge, understanding, skills and application techniques that they need to be successful in their work as qualified Blader. It recognises people who have the competencies required for performing blading operations as part of road maintenance tasks. Seeking this qualification is the logical progression of people with significant experience in operating a grader.

The main focus of this qualification is the attainment of the required outcomes of learning, not the how, when or where learning occurred. Some people applying to attain this qualification may currently be competent in one or more of the unit standards and should then be given the opportunity to apply for recognition of prior learning.

It is assumed that people who wish to enter into any training programme leading to this qualification have acquired basic communication and numeracy skills. They must be in possession of a valid driving licence *Code C* or equivalent as this is necessary to achieve the technical competencies required in the domain of Road Construction and Maintenance – Blading Operations listed in this qualification.

This qualification represents a stage of progression to other National Vocational Certificates in Road Construction and Maintenance Level 3 and 4.

2 regulations for the qualification

2.1 summary of qualification requirements

This qualification will be awarded to people who are credited with the requirements of the compulsory section.

2.2 detailed qualification requirements

Compulsory

All the unit standards listed below are required.

FIELD: PHYSICAL PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION
 Subfield: Road Construction and Maintenance
 Domain: Road Construction and Maintenance - Core

Unit No.	Unit Standard Title	Level	Credit
707	Maintain records in roads construction and maintenance site operations	2	5
709	Identify, maintain and erect traffic control signage at a road construction and maintenance site	2	8
711	Carry out basic measurements and calculations for road construction and maintenance	2	8
712	Comply with health, safety and environmental rules and regulation in road construction and maintenance work operations	2	6
713	Apply productivity principles in routine road construction and maintenance operations	2	5
716	Request materials, tools and equipment in road construction and maintenance operations	3	8
717	Prepare and establish a temporary camp site in routine road construction and maintenance operations	3	5
718	Apply quality standards and principles as part of routine road construction and maintenance operations	3	5
808	Establish customer relations in the community pertaining road construction and maintenance operations	2	2
809	Handle and store hazardous material on a road construction and maintenance site	2	3
828	Lead a team to achieve the required project outcome in road construction and maintenance operations	3	4
1043	Extinguish fire by means of basic fire fighting equipment	1	4
1044	Read and interpret working drawings and specifications as part of road construction and maintenance operations	2	5

FIELD: PHYSICAL PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION
Subfield: Road Construction and Maintenance
Domain: Road Construction and Maintenance - Blading

Unit No.	Unit Standard Title	Level	Credit
722	Blade gravel roads in road construction and maintenance	3	25
830	Operate a grader	3	10

FIELD: HEALTH SCIENCES AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Subfield: Core Health
Domain: HIV and AIDS Awareness

Unit No.	Unit Standard Title	Level	Credit
331	Demonstrate knowledge of HIV and AIDS in the workplace	2	4

FIELD: HEALTH SCIENCES AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Subfield: Core Health
Domain: First Aid

Unit No.	Unit Standard Title	Level	Credit
843	Provide basic first aid	2	4

3 credit recognition and transfer arrangements

Credits for any version of a unit standard with the same identification number will be recognised in the award of this qualification.

4 special arrangements

4.1 Special Arrangements apply to the accreditation of providers offering learning pathways to and/or undertaking assessments relating to all unit standards listed in this qualification under the Subfield of Roads Construction and Maintenance. These Special Arrangements are available from:

Roads Technical Training Unit (RTTU)
Private Bag 12030
Windhoek
Namibia
Telephone number: 061-227818

Facsimile number: 061-227818

- 4.2** Special Arrangements may apply to the accreditation of providers offering learning pathways to and/or undertaking assessment relating to all unit standards listed in this qualification in other Subfields and Domains. These Special Arrangements are available from:

Namibia Qualifications Authority
44 Bismarck St.
Windhoek
Namibia
Telephone number: 061-384116
Facsimile number: 061-384114
Email: info@namqa.org

Namibia Training Authority
Rand Street
Khomasdal
Namibia
Telephone number: 061-27 9550
Facsimile number: 061-27 9551
Email: info@nta.com.na

- 4.3** Regardless of the above, providers seeking accreditation through the relevant authorities must have or have confirmed access to all equipment and facilities detailed in the Special Notes, Performance Criteria and/or Range Statements in the unit standards that are included in this qualification.

5 transition arrangements

5.1 non National Qualifications Framework transition

None.

5.2 National Qualifications Framework transition

This is the first version of this qualification.