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EDUCATION REPORT: *Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Schools with Consent to Assess 2021, Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Home-Schooled Students 2021, and Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Tertiary Education Organisations with Consent to Assess Entering Candidates for Achievement Standards 2021*

Date:	26 January 2021	NZQA Priority:	High
Security Level:	In confidence	Report No.	CR21589

Action Sought

Deadline

Minister of Education	<p>a. note that the following Rules were approved by the NZQA Board on 10 December 2020 pursuant to section 452(1)(m) of the Education and Training Act 2020 (<i>the Act</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Schools with Consent to Assess 2021• Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Home-Schooled Students 2021• Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Tertiary Education Organisations with Consent to Assess Entering Candidates for Achievement Standards 2021 <p>b. note that section 452(5) of the Act provides that rules made under section 452(1)(m) do not require the approval of the Minister</p> <p>c. note that the Rules will be made available on the NZQA website from 1 February 2021</p> <p>d. note that these Rules must be presented to the House of Representatives as disallowable instruments under section 41 of that Legislation Act 2012</p> <p>e. note that copies of these Rules will be provided to the House Office for presenting to the House</p> <p>f. agree that this report is proactively released as part of the publication of documents once the Rules are made available on the NZQA website</p>	For presenting to Parliament
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Enclosure: Rules

Round Robin: No

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Minister's Office to Complete:

Noted

Seen

Approved

Needs change

Withdrawn

Overtaken by Events

Referred to:

Comments:

Recommended Action

It is recommended that you:

- a. **note** that the attached Rules were made by the NZQA Board on 10 December 2020 pursuant to section 452(1)(m) of the Education and Training Act 2020
 - i. Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Schools with Consent to Assess 2021
 - ii. Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Home-Schooled Students 2021
 - iii. Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Tertiary Education Organisations with Consent to Assess Entering Candidates for Achievement Standards 2021
- b. **note** that section 452(5) of the Act provides that rules made under section 452(1)(m) do not require the approval of the Minister
- c. **note** that the Rules will be made available on the NZQA website from 1 February 2021
- d. **note** that these Rules must be presented to the House of Representatives as disallowable instruments under section 41 of that Legislation Act 2012
- e. **note** that copies of these Rules will be provided to the House Office for presenting to the House.

Proactive Release Recommendation

NZQA recommends that you:

- f. **agree** that this report is proactively released as part of the publication of documents once the Rules are made available on the NZQA website.

Agree/Disagree



Dr Grant Klinkum
Pouwhakahaere/Chief Executive

26 January 2021

Hon Chris Hipkins
Minister of Education

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Purpose of Report

1. This report notes that three sets of assessment and examination rules were approved by the NZQA Board on 10 December 2020 and notes that they will be provided to the House for presenting to the House of Representatives.

Background

2. The Rules concern internal and external assessment in schools, at home, and in tertiary education organisations (*who deliver externally assessed achievement standards*).
3. Changes are made at the end of each year to reflect current policy and procedures. Following approval from the NZQA Board they must be made available on the NZQA website on 1 February the following year.
4. The assessment and examinations rules for 2021 are:
 - Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Schools with Consent to Assess 2021
 - Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Home-Schooled Students 2021
 - Assessment (including Examination) Rules for Tertiary Education Organisations with Consent to Assess Entering Candidates for Achievement Standards 2021

Authority for making the rules

5. NZQA may make rules under section 452(1)(m) of the Education and Training Act 2020. To be valid, the Rules require the approval of the NZQA Board.
6. Under section 452(5) of the Education and Training Act 2020, Ministerial approval is not required for the Rules providing for the conduct of assessments and examinations relating to any qualifications or awards.
7. The Rules must be presented to the House of Representatives as disallowable instruments under section 41 of that Legislation Act 2012. Ten copies will be provided to the House Office for presenting to the House of Representatives.