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| **1XXXXX** | **Outline civil aviation law and safety systems in New Zealand** |

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| **Kaupae |** Level | 2 |
| **Whiwhinga |** Credit | 3 |
| **Whāinga |** Purpose | People credited with this skill standard are able to outline key features of civil aviation law, regulatory bodies, and control and safety systems that support aviation operations in New Zealand.  This skill standard is intended for learners pursuing foundational knowledge in aviation. |

**Hua o te ako me Paearu aromatawai |** Learning outcomes and assessment criteria

| **Hua o te ako |** Learning outcomes | **Paearu aromatawai |** Assessment criteria |
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| 1. Outline civil aviation law and safety systems in New Zealand. | 1. Identify the key provisions of the Civil Aviation Act 2023 and the Aviation Crimes Act 1972. |
| 1. Outline the purpose and status of the Chicago Convention and the functions and status of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). |
| 1. Outline the roles and functions of the Civil Aviation Authority of New Zealand (CAA), the Transport Accident Investigation Commission, and Airways. |
| 1. Outline other key control systems that contribute to safe aviation. |

**Pārongo aromatawai me te taumata paearu |** Assessment information and grade criteria

*Assessment specifications:*

The level of knowledge required in this skill standard is that of a broad, general nature which indicates an awareness of the purpose and function of aviation law and safety systems rather than detailed content.

*Definitions:*

*Safety* means the state in which risks associated with aviation activities, related to, or in direct support of the operation of aircraft, are reduced and controlled to an acceptable level.

*SARP* is an acronym for Standards and Recommended Practices.

***Ngā momo whiwhinga |*** *Grades available*

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**Ihirangi waitohu |** Indicative content

Key provisions of the Civil Aviation Act 2023

* Purpose of the Act: ensuring a safe and secure civil aviation system.
* Key provisions:
  + Duties of aviation participants (e.g., pilots-in-command, operators).
  + Functions and powers of the CAA and Director of Civil Aviation.
  + Requirements for aviation documents and aircraft registration.
  + Safety and emergency procedures.
  + Offences and penalties for breaches of aviation legislation.

Key provisions of the Aviation Crimes Act 1972

* Purpose of the Act: giving effect to international conventions relating to aviation security.
* Key provisions:
  + Crime of hijacking.
  + The power to search passengers.
  + The powers of the aircraft commander.

The purpose and status of the Chicago Convention and the purpose and status of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

* The preamble to the Convention on International Civil Aviation 1944 (the ‘Chicago Convention’.
* Overview of ICAO as a UN specialised agency and its role in global aviation governance and its influence on national aviation authorities.
* Promotion of safe, secure, and sustainable international aviation.
* Setting global aviation standards and SARP, coordinating international cooperation.
* Structure and roles of Civil Aviation Authority of New Zealand (CAA)
* Introduction to the CAA and its statutory roles.
* Relationship with ICAO and other aviation bodies.

Control systems that contribute to safe aviation

* + Safety Management Systems (SMS)
  + Licensing and approvals.
  + Incident reporting and follow up.
  + General safety responsibilities.

**Rauemi |** Resources

* [www.icao.int/pages/default.aspx](http://www.icao.int/pages/default.aspx)
* [www.airways.co.nz/](http://www.airways.co.nz/)
* [www.taic.org.nz/](https://www.taic.org.nz/)
* Civil Aviation Act 2023
* [www.aviation.govt.nz/](http://www.aviation.govt.nz/)
* [www.aviation.govt.nz/safety/safety-education-and-advice/education/good-aviation-practice-booklets/caa/](https://wdcnz.sharepoint.com/sites/ProductsRingaHora/Standards/01.%20Aviation%20&%20Airport%20Services/Aviation%20-%20Core%20Standards%20Review%202025/0.4%20Working%20docs/Skill%20standards%20drafts%20for%20working%20group/www.aviation.govt.nz/safety/safety-education-and-advice/education/good-aviation-practice-booklets/caa/)

**Pārongo Whakaū Kounga |** Quality assurance information

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| **Ngā rōpū whakatau-paerewa |** Standard Setting Body | Ringa Hora Services Workforce Development Council |
| **Whakaritenga Rārangi Paetae Aromatawai |** DASS classification | Service Sector > Aviation > Aviation - Core |
| **Ko te tohutoro ki ngā Whakaritenga i te Whakamanatanga me te Whakaōritenga |** CMR | 0112 |

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| **Hātepe |** Process | **Putanga |** Version | **Rā whakaputa |** ReviewDate | **Rā whakamutunga mō te aromatawai |** Last date for assessment |
| **Rēhitatanga |** Registration | 1 | [DD MM YYYY] | N/A |
| **Kōrero whakakapinga |** Replacement information | This skill standard replaced unit standard 16818. | | |
| **Rā arotake |** Planned review date | 31 December 2030 | | |

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