

FOR TREKKING COOK (CERTIFICATE 2)

TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY SECTOR





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FOREWORD

The TVET Quality Council, BQPCA is pleased to present the National Competency Standards (NCS) for **Trekking Cook**, **BQF Certificate 2**, which is developed in consultation with the field experts and trainers. The main objective of developing National Competency Standards is to set up a well-defined nationally recognized TVET Qualifications that will help in setting a benchmark for the TVET Qualifications in our country aligned to the international best practices.

The standards are developed to ensure that the TVET trainees possess the desired Skills, Knowledge and Attitude required by the industries. In order to ensure the relevancy of the competencies, the standards are developed in close consultation and partnership with industry experts and trainers from training institutes.

A training system based on National Competency Standards shall ensure that the training is relevant to the needs of the labour market. As a result, future TVET trainees will be better skilled to meet the needs and expectations of industries and employers. Such a positive impact on the employability of TVET graduates will enhance the reputation of the TVET system and make it attractive to the youths.

While acknowledging the existing level of cooperation and collaboration, the Council earnestly requests employers and training providers to extend the fullest support and cooperation in development and implementation of the National Competency Standards. The ultimate objective is to build a competent and productive national workforce that will contribute to the socio-economic development of our country. We gratefully acknowledge the valuable contributions made by experts from industries and trainers during the consultation and validation processes of the NCS development. We further look forward to improved industry engagement and active participation of trainers in the development of a quality-assured demand driven TVET system.

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PACKAGING OF QUALIFICATIONS

	CERTIFICATE 2	
Prepare Dessert and Beverages (5172-U9-L2)		
Prepare Dairy Food Items (51	72-U8-L2)	
Prepare Meat and Fish Item (5172-U7-L2)	
Prepare Vegetable Items (5172	2-U6-L2)	
Prepare Rice, Pasta and Flour Items (5172-U5-L2)		
Prepare Porridge and Egg Items (5172-U4-L2)		
Prepare Appetizers (5172-U3-L2)		
Prepare Camp (5172-U2-L2)		
Prepare for Trek (5172-U1-L2)		
	ENTRY	

OVERVIEW OF THE NCS FOR TREKKING COOK

Un	it Title	Element of Competence
1.	Prepare for Trek	1.1. Arrange Logistic and Trekking Equipment 1.2. Arrange Transportation
2.	Prepare Camp	2.1. Set up Camp 2.2. Dismantle Camp
3.	Prepare Appetizers	3.1. Prepare Starter 3.2. Prepare Soup 3.3. Prepare Salad
4.	Prepare Porridge and Egg Items	4.1. Prepare Egg 4.2. Prepare Porridge
5.	Prepare Starch and Flour Items	5.1. Prepare Rice 5.2. Prepare Pasta 5.3. Prepare Flour Items
6.	Prepare Vegetable Items	6.1. Prepare Vegetable for Cooking (Misenplace) 6.2. Prepare & Present Vegetable Items
7.	Prepare Meat and Fish Items	7.1. Prepare to Cook Meat and Fish ilems (Misenplace) 7.2. Prepare Meat Items 7.3. Prepare Fish Items
8.	Prepare Dairy Food Items	8.1. Produce Fresh Dairy Products (Misen - place) 8.2. Prepare and Present dairy Food Items
9.	Prepare Dessert and Beverages	9.1. Prepare Cold Dessert 9.2. Prepare Hot Dessert 9.3. Prepare Beverages

UNIT TITLE	Prepare for Trek	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to arrange logistic and trekking equipment. The trekking cook is also responsible in arranging the transportation following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U1-L2	
CREDIT	3	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Deliver Guest Arrival and Departure Services	 1.1 Obtain information and <i>documents</i> from relevant personnel as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.2 Obtain trekking equipment and <i>logistics</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.3 Estimate and procure <i>cooking items</i> as per the job requirement 1.4 Maintain record of the expenditure as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.5 Pack the <i>trekking equipment</i> and cooking items as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	

	Settle accounts as per the job requirement following standard procedure
Make Arrangement for Transportation and Helper	 2.1 Arrange horse/yak for transportation of trekking logistics as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Arrange vehicle for transportation of trekking logistics as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.3 Arrange pony/staff as per the job requirement following standard procedure

RANGE STATEMENT		
Relevant personnel may include but not limited to:		
Trekking ManagerGuide	Tour Operator	
Documents may include but not lim	ited to:	
 Itinerary Permits	Rooming listShopping list	
Cooking items may include but not limited to:		
 Groceries Vegetables	MeatShopping	
Trekking equipment and logistics may include but not limited to:		
Camp materials	Baggage	

•	Cooking utensils	•	Trekking equipment

- Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Demonstrate competencies to obtain documents and information as per the job requirement following standard procedure
- Demonstrate competencies to estimate and procure cooking items as per the job requirement
- Demonstrate competencies to arrange transportation of trekking logistics as per the job requirement following standard procedure

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity OHS regulation Stock Management Basic costing and estimation Trekking tools and equipment Cooking equipment list Trekking routes Permits Trekking seasons Hygiene Diet restriction 5S Pillars 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Camp	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to set up and dismantle the camp following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U2-L2	
CREDIT	6	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
1. Set up Camp	 1.1 Select the camp area at the camp site as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.2 Prepare ground for camp as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.3 Pitch <i>tents</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.4 Provide tent lightings and beddings as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.5 Arrange luggage as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.6 Arrange the cooking items as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	
2. Dismantle Camp	2.1 Remove and pack the tents as per the job requirement as per the standard procedure	

2.2 Clean the camp site as per the job
requirement following standard procedure
2.3 Pack and transport non-degradable waste as
per the job requirement following standard
procedures

RANGE STATEMENT		
Tents may include but not limited to:		
Sleeping tentDinning tentKitchen tent	Toilet tentShower tent	

- Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Demonstrate competencies to select the camp area as per the job requirement following standard procedure
- Demonstrate competencies to set up camp as per the job requirement following standard procedure

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity OHS regulation Wilderness survival skills Types of Trekking equipment Trekking routes Restricted places Fire safety Waste management Types of tent Toilet Hygiene Relevant rules and regulation 5S pillars 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management Innovation

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Appetizer	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare starter, soup and salad following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U3-L2	
CREDIT	4	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Prepare Starter	 1.1 Use tools and equipment as per the requirement 1.2 Mise-en place as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.3 Prepare the starter as per job requirement following standard procedure 1.4 Portion and garnish the starters as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.5 Present the starter as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	
2. Prepare Soup	2.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement 2.2 Mise-en place as per the job requirement following standard procedure	

	2.3 Prepare soup as per the job requirement
	following standard procedure
	2.4 Portion and garnish the soups as per the job
	requirement following standard procedure
	2.5 Present the soup as per the job requirement
	following standard procedure
3. Prepare Salad	3.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job
	requirement
	3.2 Mise-en place as per the job requirement
	following standard procedure
	3.3 Prepare salad as per job requirement
	following standard procedure
	3.4 Portion and garnish the salad as per the job
	requirement following standard procedure.
	3.5 Present the salad as per the job requirement
	following standard procedure

RANGE STATEMENT		
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:		
Chopping boardLadlesKnivesFrying pansCylinder	SlicerStoveDeep traysPeeler	

Starters may include but not limited to:

- Demonstrate compliance with hygiene and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Demonstrate competencies to prepare appetizers as per the job requirement following standard procedure

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) Regulations Food safety regulation Personal hygiene Different cooking methods Types of soups Types of appetizers Types of salads Types of ingredients Product knowledge Nutrition values Menu Stock Management Basic estimation and costing Relevant rules and regulations Diet restriction 5S Pillars 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management Innovation

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Porridge and Egg Items	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare porridge and egg items following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U4-L2	
CREDIT	4	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Prepare Porridge	 1.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.2 Mise-en place as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.3 Prepare porridge as per the job requirements following standard procedure 1.4 Portion and present the porridge as per the job requirements following standard procedure 	
2. Prepare egg items	2.1 Use tools and equipment as per the requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Mise-en place as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.3 Prepare egg items as per the job requirements following standard procedure	

2.4 Portion present the egg items as per the job
requirements following standard

RANGE STATEMENT		
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:		
 Whisk Knives Moulds Egg items may include but not limited to	StoveBowlsCylinder	
Hard-boiledPoachedOmeletteScrambled	Sunny side up Stuffed	

Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times.

Prepare egg items and porridge as per the job requirements following standard procedure

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational Health and Safety (OHS)	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal
Regulations Food safety regulation Product knowledge Menu planning	Relationship Creativity

Storage5S Pillars	Time ManagementInnovation
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UNIT TITLE	Prepare Starch and Flour Items	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare rice, pasta and flour items following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U5-L3	
CREDIT	6	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
1. Prepare Rice	 1.1 Use tools and equipment as per the requirement 1.2 Select types of rice as per the recipe following standard procedure 1.3 Prepare <i>rice</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.4 Portion and present the rice as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	
2. Prepare Pasta	 2.1 Use tools and equipment as per the requirement 2.2 Select types of pasta as per the recipe following standard procedure 2.3 Prepare ingredients as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.4 Prepare <i>pasta</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	

	2.5 Portion and present pasta as per the job requirement following standard procedure
3. Prepare Flour Items	 3.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement 3.2 Select types of flour and quantity as per the recipe following standard procedure 3.3 Prepare ingredients as per the job requirement following standard procedure. 3.4 Prepare flour items using suitable methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure 3.5 Portion and present the flour item as per the standard procedure

RANGE STATEMENT				
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:				
PotCylinder	• Stove			
Types of rice may include but not limited to:				
RedBoiled	FlourOlives			
Pre-prepare rice may include but not li	mited to:			
WashingSieving	Sorting			
Types of pasta may include but not lim	ited to:			
SpaghettiPenne	FusilliFarfalle			
Ingredients may include but not limited	I to:			
OilSaltHerbs	VegetablesMeatSauces			
Suitable methods in preparing flour ite to:	ms may include but not limited			
RoastFrySteam	Grill Boil			
Flour items may include but not limited to:				
Chappati	• Poori			

•	Roti	•	Dumpling
•	Noodles	•	Pancake

- Demonstrate compliance with hygiene and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Demonstrate competencies to prepare starch and flour items using suitable methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational Health and Safety (OHS). Food safety regulation Combination of ingredients Different cooking methods Basic nutrition content of different ingredients Menu Types of rice Types of pasta 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management Innovation

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Vegetable Items	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare vegetable for cooking and to prepare and present the vegetable items	
CODE	5172-U6-L3	
CREDIT	4	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Prepare Vegetable for Cooking(Misen - place)	 1.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.2 Select the ingredients as per the recipe following standard procedure 1.3 Pre-prepare vegetables for cooking as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	
Prepare and Present Vegetable Items	 2.1 Prepare vegetable items using suitable cooking methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Portion and present vegetable items as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	

RANGE STATEMENT			
Tools and equipment may include but not limited			
PotLadle	CylinderStove		
Ingredients may include but not limited to			
SaltPreservativesOil	VegetablesPepper		
Pre-preparing vegetable may include b	ut not limited to:		
SortingWashingAssembling	ChoppingCutting		
Suitable cooking method may include	but not limited to:		
BoilRoastBlanch	SteamFrysauté		
Critical Aspects			
Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times			

- Demonstrate competencies to prepare vegetable item using suitable cooking methods as per the job requirement following standard procedures

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS	
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational health and safety (OHS) Regulations Food cross contamination Types of vegetables Different cooking methods Menu Different types of vegetarian dish 5S pillars 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management Innovation 	

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Meat and Fish items	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required for preparing the meat and fish before the actual cooking. The unit also covers the actual cooking of meat and fish items	
CODE	5172—U7-L3	
CREDIT	7	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Prepare to Cook Meat and Fish items (misen-place)	 1.1 Select and use <i>tools and equipment</i> as per the requirement. 1.2 Select the <i>ingredients and spices</i> as per the recipe following standard procedure. 1.3 <i>Pre-prepare</i> meat and fish items for cooking as per the job requirements following standard procedure. 	
2. Prepare Meat items	2.1 Prepare <i>meat items</i> using <i>suitable methods</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Portion and present the meat dishes as per the job requirement following standard procedure	

3.	Prepare Fish items	3.1 Prepare <i>fish items</i> using suitable methods			
		as per the job requirement following standard			
		procedure			
		3.2 Portion and present the fish items as per the			
		job	requirement	following	standard
		procedure			

RANGE STATEMENT			
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:			
PotLadleKnife	Gas CylinderStoveChopping board		
Ingredients may include but not limited to:			
SaltOilMeat	PreservativesSaucesHerbs		
Spices may include but not limited to:			
Turmeric PowderCumin seedNutmeg	CardamomCloves		
Pre-preparing Meat and fish may include but not limited to:			
SortingCoatingMarinatingStuffing	DicingSlicingMincingScaling		

SeasoningDe-boning	Filleting			
Suitable method may include but not li	mited to:			
BoilSteamFry	Grill Roast Blanch			
Meat Items may include but not limited to:				
Beef PaaBeef ChilliPork PaaPork Chilli	Chicken CurryChicken ChilliStirred Fried ChickenGarlic Chicken			
Fish item may include but not limited to	o:			
 Steamed Fish Fried Fish fish Curry 	Sweet and Sour fishFish and ChipsMandarin Fish			

- Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Prepare meat and fish items using suitable methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure.

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational health and safety (OHS) Regulations Food cross contamination Types of meats and fish 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship

- Different cooking methods
- Menu
- Types of marinades

- Creativity
 Time Management
 Innovation

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Dairy Food Products	
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare fresh dairy items following standard procedures	
CODE	5172-U8-L3	
CREDIT	1	
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Produce Fresh Dairy Products (Misen -place)	 1.4 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.5 Select the <i>ingredients</i> as per the recipe following standard procedure. 1.6 Prepare <i>fresh dairy products</i> as per the job requirement following standard procedure 	
Prepare and Present dairy Food Items	2.1 Prepare dairy food items using suitable cooking methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Portion and present dairy food items as per the job requirement following standard procedure	

RANGE STATEMENT				
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:				
PotLadleKnifeMuslin	Gas CylinderStoveChopping board			
Ingredients may include but not limited	i to:			
• Milk	lime/vinegar			
Fresh Dairy products may include but	not limited to:			
YoghurtCheese	PaneerClarified butter			
Cooking method may include but not li	imited to:			
FryBoil	Coating			
Dairy Food items may include but not I	imited to:			
 Butter cheese Panner butter masala Matar paneer Paneer chili 				
Critical Aspects				
 Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times Demonstrate competencies to prepare dairy products following standard procedure 				

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational health and safety (OHS) Regulations Food cross contamination Different cooking methods Product knowledge Menu Different recipe Temperature 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management

UNIT TITLE	Prepare Desserts and Beverages
DESCRIPTOR	This unit covers the competencies required to prepare both the cold and hot desserts and beverages following standard procedures
CODE	5172-U9-L3
CREDIT	5
ELEMENTS OF COMPETENCE	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Prepare Cold Dessert	 1.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.2 Misen-place following standard procedure 1.3 Prepare <i>cold dessert</i> using suitable methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure 1.4 Portion and present the cold dessert as per the job requirement following standard procedure
2. Prepare Hot Dessert	2.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.2 Misen-place following standard procedure 2.3 Prepare <i>hot dessert</i> using suitable methods as per the job requirement following standard procedure 2.4 Portion and present the cold dessert as per the job requirement following standard procedure

3. Prepare Hot	3.1 Use tools and equipment as per the job
Beverages	requirement
	3.2 Misen-place following standard procedure
	3.3 Prepare beverages using suitable methods as
	per the job requirement following standard
	procedure
	3.4 Present the beverage as per the job
	requirement following standard procedure
	3.5 Portion and garnish the beverage as per the
	job requirement following standard procedure

RANGE STATEMENT				
Tools and equipment may include but not limited to:				
WhiskKnivesMouldsCylinder	StoveThermometerBowls			
Cold dessert may include but not limite	ed to:			
ChocolateMousse	Cream caramelCanned fruits			
Hot dessert may include but not limited to:				
 Hot Chocolate Cake Kheer(pudding) Fruit custard 				
Beverages may include but not limited to:				

•	Alcoholic Beverage	•	Non-alcoholic Beverage	
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- Demonstrate compliance with occupational health and safety regulations applicable to work operations at all times
- Demonstrate competences to prepare beverages and desserts using suitable cooking methods

UNDERPINNING KNOWLEDGE	UNDERPINNING SKILLS
 Ethics and Integrity Occupational health and safety (OHS) Regulations Menu planning Storage Types of dessert and beverages Temperature Combination of ingredients Different types of cooking methods 5S Pillars 	 Team Work Communication Problem Solving Interpersonal Relationship Creativity Time Management Innovation

ANNEXURE

National Competency Standards (NCS)

The National Competency Standards specify the skill, knowledge and attitudes applied to a particular occupation. Standards also specify the standards or criteria of performance of a competent worker and the various contexts in which work may take place. Standards provide explicit advice to assessors regarding the skill and knowledge to be demonstrated by candidates seeking formal recognition either following training or through work experience.

Purpose of National Competency Standards

National Competency Standards serve a number of purposes including:

- Providing advice to curriculum developers about the competencies to be included in the curriculum.
- Providing specifications to assessment resource developers about the competencies within an occupation to be demonstrated by candidates.
- Providing advice to industry/employers about job functions, which
 in turn can be used for the development of job descriptions,
 performance appraisal systems and work flow analysis.

Bhutan Qualifications Framework (BQF)

Bhutan Qualifications Framework is an integrated national framework that outlines all types of qualification in Bhutan. As an established and nationally accepted instrument, the BQF has been benchmarked against international practices in terms of standards. The BQF aims to recognize all forms of learning systems, including formal, non-formal, and informal learning. It acknowledges technological advancements and recognizes contemporary

modes of delivery. It covers a broad range of education systems including the TVET education.

Implementation of TVET Qualifications



* RPL = Recognition of Prior Learning

TVET Qualifications Levels

TVET Qualifications have seven levels as per the BQF as follows:

Bhutan Qualifications Framework 2023

Table 2: Qualification Types and Levels Based on Education Sector.

BQF Level	Community Education	School Education	TVET	Higher Education	Monastic Education
8				Doctoral Degree	Khewang अव्यक्षः इवरः।
7			Master's Degree Postgraduate Diploma Postgraduate Certificate	Master's Degree Postgraduate Diploma Postgraduate Certificate	Tsugla Gongma बाहुबान्धवार्वार बा
6			Applied Degree	Bachelor's Degree Bachelor's Degree (Honours) Graduate Diploma Graduate Certificate	Tsugla Wogma बाहुबान्धवार्देवा ह्या
5			Advanced Diploma	Advanced Diploma	
4			Diploma	Diploma	
3		Bhutan Higher Secondary Education Certificate	Certificate 3		Dringrim Gongma व्यद्वैदःदेशक्ष्म
2		Bhutan Certificate for Secondary Education	Certificate 2		Dringrim Barma विद्युद्ध-देश-चर-आ
1	ALC		Certificate 1		

Level Descriptors

The TVET Qualification levels are set based on the level descriptors, as defined in the BQF. The detail of the qualification level descriptor is as follows:

	Knowledge	Skills	Values	Application
Level	Knowledge Demonstrate skills		Demonstrate	Applied in
Lever	that is:	that involve:	values that involve:	contexts that involve:
4	Broad theoretical, technical and operational	Selecting and applying a range of standard processes relevant to varied and sometimes unpredictable tasks Selecting and applying a range of solutions involving formulation of solutions to resolve complex issues Demonstrating a high level of proficiency in English and Dzongkha	Strong level of awareness of self and others; and an appreciation of belief system, role of social norms, and the importance of relationship building Application of ethical norms and legal rules in decision-making; and comprehendin g the correlation between values and behavior Commitment to own profession and quality of work	Stable tasks with predictable changes Broad guidance with some self-direction that requires sound judgement Taking some responsibility for planning and coordination with others
3	Theoretical with some	Applying a range of standard processes	Sound level of self-awareness	Stable tasks with some

	technical and operational processes	to known but varied tasks Selecting and applying a range of solutions to familiar and unfamiliar problems Communicating effectively and clearly, both oral and written, in both English and Dzongkha	and beliefs; and ability to apply social norms and build relationships Application of a set of ethical norms Commitment to own field of interest and apply self- management of learning and performance	aspects of change General guidance and supervision that require discretion and judgement Adapting to own behaviour to work with others
2	Basic, factual and conceptual	Applying standard processes relevant to carry out known tasks Applying a set of known solutions to solve simple and straightforward issues Using simple and direct exchange of information on familiar and routine matters Developing basic proficiency in Dzongkha and English	Some level of self-awareness and beliefs, and appreciation of social norms; and significance of relationships Awareness of ethical norms, and openness to different activities Developing own knowledge and skills	Structured and stable tasks General support and Supervision that require some discretion and judgement Collaboration with others to achieve goals
1	Foundational , every day and general	Applying operational literacy, numeracy	Basic awareness of self, beliefs,	Highly structured

skills required to carry out simple tasks Applying simple solutions to solve simple and straightforward everyday issues Communicating using everyday expressions and simple phrases in Dzongkha and English	and social norms; and understand the significance of relationships Basic awareness of fundamental ethical norms, basic civil rights, and responsibilities Willingness to understand tasks and motivated to implement them successfully	tasks with close support and supervision Minimal Discretion and judgement Readiness to work together and share knowledge with others
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CODING USED FOR NATIONAL COMPETENCY STANDARDS

The coding and classification system developed in Bhutan is logical, easy to use, and also aligned with international best practices. The Bhutanese coding and classification system is based on the International Standard Classification of Occupations, 2008 (ISCO-08) developed by the International Labour Organisation (ILO). The coding of the National competency standards forms the basis of the identification code for the Vocational Education and Training Management Information System (VET – MIS) both in terms of economic sector identification and that of the individual standard.

Coding the individual national competency standards

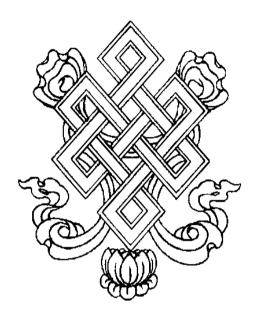
Coding the individual skills standard has a multiple purpose:

- to identify the level,
- to identify to which module the standard belongs,
- to identify in which order the standard is clustered within that module.

A job can include a number of competencies described in the national competency standards.

However, in

order to follow a logical order, only national competency standards related to each other and following a logical sequence in terms of training delivery, from the simple to the complex, are clustered into a module. Some standards are so complex that they need to stand alone.



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