

<b>Title</b>	<b>Drive a light motor vehicle on unsealed road surfaces</b>		
<b>Level</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>3</b>

<b>Purpose</b>	People credited with this unit standard are able to anticipate and make the transfer from sealed to unsealed road surfaces, and drive and stop a light motor vehicle on unsealed roads in accordance with safe driving practices.
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<b>Classification</b>	Driving > Core Driving Knowledge and Skills
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<b>Available grade</b>	Achieved
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<b>Prerequisites</b>	Candidates must hold the appropriate licence for the type of vehicle being driven
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### Guidance Information

- 1 Evidence presented for assessment against this unit standard must be consistent with safe working practices and be in accordance with applicable service information, and company and legislative requirements. This includes the knowledge and use of suitable tools and equipment.
- 2 Legislation, regulations and/or industry standards relevant to this unit standard include but are not limited to the current version of the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015; Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Rule 1999; Land Transport (Driver Licensing) Amendment Rule 2006; Land Transport Act 1998; Traffic Regulations 1976; and any subsequent amendments and replacements.
- 3 Definitions
 

*A light motor vehicle* is a motor vehicle (including a tractor and a motorcycle) that has a gross laden weight of not more than 4500 kg or a combination vehicle that has a gross combined weight of not more than 4500 kg.

*Line* (of the vehicle) means the intended path the vehicle will follow.

*A motorcycle* is a motorcycle, a moped, or all-terrain vehicle.

*Safe driving practices* include but are not limited to – scanning the roadway ahead, accelerating smoothly, being prepared to react, signalling movements, obeying traffic laws and traffic control devices (signs, signals, and markings), being physically and emotionally ready to operate a vehicle, concentrating on driving, avoiding distractions, applying patience and common sense, and vehicles being kept in good operating condition to avoid mechanical failures.

*Unsealed road surfaces* means graded gravel and dirt roads and construction zones, but excludes unformed roads.
- 4 Reference material

*The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Car Drivers, and The Official New Zealand Road Code and Licence Guide for Motorcycles* (current versions) available from booksellers, reflects legal requirements but does not override governing legislation.

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## Outcomes and performance criteria

### Outcome 1

Anticipate and make the transfer from sealed to unsealed road surfaces.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 Unsealed road surfaces are identified and adjustments made to driving techniques before the unsealed surface is encountered.
- 1.2 Vehicle speed and line are adjusted so that the transition from sealed to unsealed road surfaces is made smoothly while maintaining control.

### Outcome 2

Drive and stop a light motor vehicle on unsealed roads in accordance with safe driving practices.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 The line of the vehicle follows the line of the road without swerving, snaking, or skidding.
- 2.2 Engine power is coordinated with gear selection to maintain correct speed range for the conditions.
- 2.3 The vehicle is positioned and its speed and line are adjusted so that overtaking, being overtaken, and being passed by vehicles travelling in the opposite direction can be carried out in accordance with safe driving practices and without injury to people and/or animals, and/or damage to vehicles and/or property.
- 2.4 Conditions likely to lead to loss of vehicle control are identified, and techniques for dealing with them are applied. Control of the vehicle is maintained.
- 2.5 The vehicle is brought to a halt in a safe manner and in the desired position and orientation.

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Registration	1		31 December 2020
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	3		31 December 2020
Review	4		

**Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference**

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

**Comments on this unit standard**

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