



NZC EOTC LEADER

New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (Level 4)
– *Education Outside the Classroom (EOTC)*



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INTRODUCTION

The *NZC EOTC Leader* is for teachers who have skills and experience in outdoor activities and want to start leading students in outdoor environments.

EOTC leaders are able to plan, prepare for, organise and lead outdoor activities.

People who hold this qualification can lead groups independently but would have their plans reviewed by the EOTC coordinator within the school.



Did you know that Support Adventure publishes Good Practice Guides that are designed to help people plan organised outdoor activities for others. These are a great resource for teachers and well worth investigating.

Visit www.supportadventure.co.nz for more information.

WHAT EXPERIENCE DO I NEED?

In order to gain this qualification, you will need to prove that you have met the following experience requirements. Some of the written assessments can be completed **while** you are building your experience but you need to meet the requirements before you start your practical assessment.



EOTC experience

Have log book evidence of:

- experience as an assistant leader on at least five half-day EOTC events and have been a leader on at least two half-day EOTC events.

WHAT DO I NEED TO SUCCEED?

It is likely that you won't have all the required knowledge or experience when you sign up for this qualification. Expect to log your outdoor activity while you build up your personal and leading experience. Being in a role where you are leading others makes getting experience easier. You may also need to complete some study to fill any gaps in your knowledge. Expect to do some training and preparation in order to meet the assessment criteria.

PLAN DO REVIEW

Preparation could involve:

- researching and reading relevant resources
- arranging training sessions with your peers
- working with a mentor who can guide your development and provide feedback
- taking friends out as model students and asking for feedback
- attending training courses.

Resources you will need:

- access to a computer
- workplace support (this may include time to prepare, time for the assessment, access to individuals who can help you study and train).

HOW WILL I BE ASSESSED?

Completion of the qualification involves a mixture of online, written and practical tasks.

Module 1: Outdoor Leader Fundamentals

This is the core component of all the *New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (Level 4)* activity strands.

If you have completed Module 1: Outdoor Leader Fundamentals for another *New Zealand Certificate in Outdoor Leadership (Level 4)* activity strand, for example Abseiling or Mountain Biking, you don't need to do it again for EOTC.



You will need to answer some online questions on generic topics such as leadership, risk assessment, weather and environmental sustainability.

Module 2: EOTC Leader

This is EOTC specific and has online, written and practical components.



You will need to answer some online questions on topics such as EOTC, leadership, risk assessment and emergency preparedness.



You will need to lead an EOTC activity with a group of students.



You will need to prepare two plans for an outdoor activity. You will use one when you lead a group.