

In scope and out of scope for NCEA Review 2018

In scope (qualification design and rules)
Whether to retain three levels of NCEA
Number of credits required to achieve each certificate
Qualification rules like carrying over 20 credits
What standards can be credited to an NCEA, i.e. how “multi-field” should it be, should there be limits on the proportion of non-curriculum standards that can be credited?
The grade levels – are three enough?
Requirements for excellence and merit endorsements
Modes of assessment – internal and external – balance, mix, etc
Literacy and numeracy requirements
Any other design issues or requirements related to the certificates

Out of scope	Where to seek assistance and advice
Workings of the moderation system, e.g. online submission for external moderation, internal moderation processes, etc	Email ncea@ppta.org.nz to ask PPTA to raise concerns through Secondary Qualifications Advisory Group (SQAG) or direct to NZQA
Quality of subject-specific resources such as assessment materials, exemplars of student work, Teaching and Learning Guide, etc	Contact your subject association and/or email ncea@ppta.org.nz about raising concerns through SQAG or direct to MOE.
Problems with a particular internally assessed standard, e.g. poorly worded standard, inadequate or confusing assessment materials, unhelpful moderator reports, etc	Contact your subject association and/or email ncea@ppta.org.nz about raising concerns through SQAG or direct to MOE.
Issues with exams e.g. poorly worded questions, errors, etc	Contact your subject association and/or email ncea@ppta.org.nz about conveying concerns to NZQA
School assessment processes e.g. excessive assessment expectations, excessive compliance demands, lack of support for internal moderation processes, etc	Start with your HOD, talk with your Principal's Nominee, check NZQA's website for what should be required e.g. NCEA Myths ¹ , recent circulars ² , etc, talk with your PPTA Branch about a concerted response, get advice via ncea@ppta.org.nz .
Lack of subject-specific advice e.g. unavailability of Best Practice Workshops in your subject/area, absence of subject advisers, etc	Contact ncea@ppta.org.nz
Issues about digital assessment in your subject area	Contact your subject association and/or email ncea@ppta.org.nz about conveying concerns to NZQA.

When in doubt, email ncea@ppta.org.nz for advice and help!

¹ <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/providers-partners/assessment-and-moderation/managing-national-assessment-in-schools/ncea-the-myths/>

² <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/about-us/publications/newsletters-and-circulars/assessment-matters/>