

National Certificate in Horticulture (Fruit Production) (Level 4) (Advanced)

Are you looking for a career that offers:

- Interesting and technical work?
- Work in pleasant outdoor settings, with trees, people and machinery?
- A career path with many opportunities, exporting the “taste of Nelson”?
- Work days that change with the seasons and “plenty of variety”?

If this sounds like you, read on ...

The Fruit Production Cadetship offers trainees the opportunity to:

- Learn while you earn.
- Gain nationally recognised qualifications.
- Learn practical skills “hands-on” in your workplace.
- Increase your career prospects and job satisfaction.
- Have support through the Cadetship from your peer cadets, employer and your Agriculture New Zealand Tutor.



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As employees on orchards you will be a team member involved in the production of quality fruit for export and local markets. You can expect an interesting work life that is market driven and always upskilling. Work hours are user friendly and the orchards are close to town. Skills you will learn include planting, tree training and pruning, orchard hygiene, manipulating crop loading, pest and disease management, crop husbandry, soil care, irrigation maintenance, harvesting, harvest machinery and front line supervision. You will work with interesting people from all over the world, plus learn food safety and compliance systems for overseas markets. These are all real-world career skills.

when January/February and May/June each year–3½ years (less with experience).

structure Approx 12 training days annually focusing on core subjects (training hours normally 8.30 am–4.30 pm). Work training is done in work time (busy periods are avoided where possible.) The on-job support and assessment part of this programme is a team approach using Agriculture New Zealand trainers, workplace assessors and employers, ensuring robust standardised levels of performance.

location Nelson & Motueka areas, with training days in Richmond, nearby Orchards & business sites.

your career Most local Block and Orchard Managers are cadetship graduates. This system of learning with networking opens a wide range of career opportunities including:

- Orchard supervision roles
- Orchard & pack house management
- Practical horticultural research
- Food safety, compliance and exporting roles
- Orchard supplies, consultant and contract servicing
- Stair casing from the real world of growing fruit to other training such as diploma and degree courses

There is significant market demand for practical outdoors people with good organisational, quality production and people skills. Become a team player in the New Zealand Horticulture Industry that is known worldwide for its commitment to quality fruit production.

cost In most cases the course fee is paid by the committed grower employers. This fee is currently \$800* per year (*subject to change/requirements).

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