

# Predator Control and Conservation – Level 3

## Course Outline

Version: 15.05.2020



### Curriculum Goals:

The Level 3 Predator Control and Conservation programme is designed to introduce students to predator control programmes and the important role they play in protecting New Zealand's biodiversity. Students will complete a number of field-based trapping and conservation projects in a range of environments. The programme focus is on developing an understanding of environmental management practices and the technical and personal skills required to effectively participate in field-based environmental management programmes.

Underpinning the curriculum is the development of crucial personal and social development skills transferable to any vocational pathway.

### Programme Delivery:

This course is delivered in a 4-day residential block format, with four blocks in total. Each block is four days in length. Further course information can be found on the Whenua Iti Outdoors website:

[www.whenuaiti.org.nz](http://www.whenuaiti.org.nz)

### Personal and Social Development Objectives:

- Increasing willingness to learn
- Understanding and assuming personal responsibility
- Developing belief in self and increasing confidence
- Developing a positive attitude
- Recognising and developing potential
- Developing resilience skills (coping with challenge and change)
- Developing positive communication skills

### Learning Objectives:

- Communicate in a team or group which has an objective.
- Fit and remove vehicle chains.
- Demonstrate knowledge of river dynamics and hazards.
- Cross rivers safely.
- Prepare for the trapping of pest animals.
- Set traps, and place baits and lures for pest animal control.
- Check traps and clear them of pest animals and non-target species, and process, and store or dispose of carcasses.
- Clean, store, and maintain equipment and materials, and records.
- Plan and engage in an activity intended to benefit the community

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| Unit No                   | Title  | Level | Credits   | Version |
|---------------------------|--|-------|-----------|---------|
| 9677                      | Communicate in a team or group which has an objective            | 2     | 3         | 10      |
| 18318                     | Fit and remove vehicle chains                                    | 2     | 2         | 3       |
| 427                       | Cross Rivers   | 3     | 2         | 7       |
| 29338                     | Prepare and use traps to control rural pest animals              | 3     | 6         | 1       |
| 30906                     | Plan and engage in an activity intended to benefit the community | 3     | 6         | 1       |
| <b>Total NZQF Credits</b> |  |       | <b>19</b> |         |

### Assessment\*

*\*Please note some assessments may change.*

| Methods of Assessment   | Requirement for Successful Completion   |
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| Assessment will include:  | To successfully complete the course, the student must:  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Practical demonstrations</li><li>• Workbook Completion</li><li>• Oral presentations</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Successfully complete a minimum of 15 credits</li><li>• Attend a minimum of three blocks.</li></ul> |