Info for Students: Registering NCEA Credits for Youth Pilots – Effective 2024 / 2025

Did you know that you can get NCEA credits for learning to fly a glider?

What credits are available?

The following credits are available on completion of the following Unit Standards (US):

		Level	Credits
US 26833	Demonstrate glider ground handling	2	2
US 26834	Demonstrate glider winch launch as a pilot	3	3
US 26835	Demonstrate glider aero-tow launch as a pilot	3	3
US 26836	Fly a glider to achieve a GNZ Solo Pilot Certificate	4	8
US 26837	Fly a glider to achieve a GNZ Soaring Pilot Certificate4	4	6
US 26838	Fly a glider to achieve a GNZ Cross Country Pilot Certificate	5	10

Note that the material underlying these updated Unit Standards is now aligned with the GNZ Pilot Training Program with each standard corresponding to the appropriate sections in the Solo, Soaring and Cross Country Pilot syllabuses.

You may note that the realignment has lead to some small changes to both the Levels and the Credits . overall the total of the available credits has increased from 26 to 32.

Copies of the standards themselves can be found on the NZQA website here: https://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/results.do

Type in the standard number and it will take you to the appropriate document.

For convenience a current copy of each standard is also on the GNZ website noting that they are uncontrolled documents and may be updated from time to time.

How do I claim them?

Complete the appropriate parts of the Pilot Training Program

Have each item or exercise signed off in your Record of Progress Booklet

Complete the Service IQ Competency Reporting Form which can be downloaded from the GNZ website

Have this Attested to on the Competency Reporting Form by your CFI or nominee

Attach photocopies of the appropriate signed off items in your Record of Progress booklet

Email all the completed documents to Service IQ closely following the instructions on the bottom of the Competency Reporting Form

ServiceIQ will then contact the Student with an invoice and payment details for processing the registration with NZQA.

Once payment is received by ServiceIQ, the registration process is completed, and the qualification will appear on the NZQA database. From there, it can be printed off and used as required by the student (e.g. when producing a CV)

How about credits for the theory side?

Your flying credits can go towards a National Certificate in Aviation Level 2. You will also need to achieve credits in the following six compulsory units:

US 16818: Demonstrate knowledge of aviation industry law, systems and procedures

US 19585: Describe the development of aviation from pre-World War I through to current times

US 19586: Identify aviation support structures, aircraft types and operations in New Zealand

US 19587: Demonstrate knowledge of internal structures in the civil aviation industry in New Zealand

US 20676: Demonstrate knowledge of aviation career and training options

US 20677: Demonstrate knowledge of the principles of aircraft flight

More information on these Unit Standards is available on the NZQA website.

Feedback on this process is welcome!

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