

Programme Content

The programme of training relates to the NZQA unit standards that go into making up the Fellmongery National Certificate and these are:-

- 18568 Demonstrate knowledge of raw materials and its preparation for fellmongery
- 18569 Demonstrate knowledge of depilatory chemistry and depilatory paint preparation and use in a fellmongery
- 18570 Demonstrate knowledge of fellmongery paint tables, painted skin holding and machine pulling
- 18571 Demonstrate knowledge of wool grading, washing and drying, and slipe wool usage
- 18573 Demonstrate knowledge of principles and practice of lamb and sheep pelt liming, delimiting and bating
- 18574 Demonstrate knowledge of principles and practices of lamb and sheep pickling and grading
- 8388 Demonstrate knowledge of hazards associated with chemicals used in fellmongeries
- 8387 Demonstrate knowledge of environmental pollutants in fellmongery discharges
- 8389 Demonstrate knowledge of the principles of quality assurance used in fellmongeries
- 8389 Demonstrate knowledge of practical tannery quality control

Why Train?

It is well known that training is an integral part of a company's success and maintaining its competitive advantage in an ever increasing competitive marketplace. Therefore the need to training has become vital to stay competitive.

Training:

- ⇒ Improves staff performance
- ⇒ improves staff knowledge
- ⇒ Improves staff confidence
- ⇒ Increases staff morale and
- ⇒ Reduces staff turnover

This in turn leads to:

- ⇒ Better product
- ⇒ Better selling,
- ⇒ Better buying, and
- ⇒ Better QC decisions

This equates to:

- ⇒ Increased sales,
- ⇒ Increased margins,
- ⇒ Reduced complaints,
- ⇒ Reduced returns, and
- ⇒ Reduced remediation costs.

Make a commitment to training by enrolling your key personnel on the LASRA Leather & Fellmongery Courses

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National Certificate in Fellmongery Processing

Level 3 on NZQA
Framework



The Course

The National Certificate in Fellmongery and Pelthouse Processing is a recognised Level 3 qualification on the National Qualifications Framework.

If you work in the fellmongery and pelthouse industry and want to know more about:-

1. the types of raw material used to make different leathers
2. the stages of fellmongery and pelthouse processing
3. how the industry deals with quality control, pollution control and hazards

Then the Fellmongery Certificate Course is a great way of getting to know the basics.

Because the Course doesn't require detailed technical knowledge, it's a good way of getting a general grounding. It suits those who might be new to the industry, and those not directly involved in production to understand more about how pickled pelts are manufactured.

Studying with LASRA®

LASRA is an NZQA registered Private Training Establishment (PTE) and works from the specialised industry research and technology facilities in Palmerston North. We're the central leather information agency in Australasia and use our resources to make sure our courses are top quality, full of the latest international material whilst keeping the focus on what we do here in New Zealand and Australia.

Programme Duration

The one year Fellmongery and Pelthouse Course is an on-line course. You receive a set of notes regularly each month for eight months and complete an assignment for each. At the end of the Course you'll sit a written examination.

Programme Outline

The Fellmongery and Pelthouse Course intake is in February and the Course exam is in October. You can work at your own pace and we make sure the lecture notes are well within the capacity of people who are in full-time jobs. Many have succeeded and if you have the commitment and a bit of discipline to make sure you don't lag behind, then there's every reason to be confident in success.

The one year Fellmongery and Pelthouse Course is done Online. Students are provided with a student ID and password which they use when they log-in to the LASRA site. Material is released as units each month for eight months, an assignment accompanies each unit. Each unit is divided into sections and each section is accompanied with a short quiz. There are also video clips included showing the operation of machinery.

Basic requirements are a secure computer with broadband connection (though dial-up will do if you don't mind the wait), and an internet browser. Further details on the best option will be given after enrolment.

Industry Awards

There is a top student award, with a cash prize of \$1000, sponsored by Azelis (NZ) Ltd. This award is presented at the LASRA Conference the following year.

Entry requirements

The Introductory Course is open entry. That means you don't need to have any previous qualifications and you don't need to have worked in the industry, but it does help. You will need to have reasonable reading skills to be able to learn from the lecture material we'll send you and you'll also need to have reasonable writing skills to be able to complete the assignments and exam which are the activities that let us know you've taken the knowledge on board.

Course Fees 2019

Course fees are:

\$2980 for Ordinary Members

\$3720 for Ancillary Members and

\$4880 for Non-Members.

These figures excludes gst. The issue of the National Certificate is included in the cost.

Trainees in employment and enrolled through their firms on Training Agreements with an Industry Training Organisation will be subsidised. Trainees should check with employers to see what costs, if any, they will incur.

Additional Costs

A charge of \$30 is made for any repeats

Applications

If you are employed in a fellmongery or some section of the skin processing industry, talk to your manager or supervisor in the first instance to confirm that your company is willing to enrol you under a Training Agreement.

You can of course approach LASRA directly and enrol as an individual; our contact details are on the back of this brochure.

Trainee Support

When you have enrolled, you are provided with a Student Handbook and Study Guide, they will tell you all you need to know about the Course and the support provided.

One of the other forms of support is the LASRA library and our librarian Karen, will be available to provide you with back up reading material as you need it.

Contact: library@lasra.co.nz