Assessment Schedule - 2015

Technology: Demonstrate understanding of how materials enable technological products to function (91049)

Final grades will be decided using professional judgement based on a holistic examination of the evidence provided against the criteria.

Issues from the Specifications

Where a candidate has provided a brief report, the report should not be penalised because of length.

Candidate work in excess of 10 pages must not be marked.

Where a candidate has used a small font, markers should make a judgement about where to stop marking. This judgement should be made relative to 10 pages of Arial 12-point font.

Where work is illegible, it cannot be marked.

Digital submissions that cannot be read cannot be marked.

Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrating understanding of how materials enable technological products to function involves:	Demonstrating in-depth understanding of how materials enable technological products to function involves:	Demonstrating comprehensive understanding of how materials enable technological products to function involves:
describing the composition, structure and performance properties of materials used in a technological product describing the impact of the composition and structure of materials on how materials can be manipulated (e.g. mixed, shaped, joined, combined, separated, finished) explaining how the materials used and the way they have been manipulated allow technological products to function as intended.	explaining how the composition and structure of materials determine the performance properties the materials exhibit explaining how the composition and structure of materials determine the ways materials can be manipulated.	discussing how the interaction between the composition, structure and manipulation of materials enables technological products to function as intended.

Appendix 1

Markers must exercise professional judgement to decide if a report demonstrates understanding. The following appendix provides guidance for markers making this judgement.

A report must use information to demonstrate understanding.

Reports described wholly or substantially by one or more of the statements in the left column demonstrate understanding.

Reports described wholly, or substantially, by one or more of the statements in the right column do not demonstrate understanding.

Where the report is made up of both used and reproduced information, the marker must decide if the report is successful against the standard when the reproduced information is ignored.

Evidence of use of information	Evidence of reproduction of information
Candidate's report describes and explains the candidate's use, in their practice, of information relating to the standard.	Information is presented in isolation from the candidate's Technological experiences. It offers nothing or little to suggest the information is related
Information from the candidate's practice, research, the practice of others, and teaching is related to the candidate's technological experiences. The report describes experiences you would expect to come from a course of instruction derived from The Technology Learning area the NZC. These could include but are not limited to testing and trialling within a modelling process developing a conceptual statement developing a conceptual design development of a brief material selection refinement of a brief development of a prototype development of a one-off solution. Further examples may be added.	to a course of instruction at level 6.
Information from research, the practice of others, or teaching is reported in the candidate's own voice.	Information is NOT in the candidate's voice. The word choice, sentence structure, sentence length, punctuation, and so on are not what a candidate could be expected to produce.
Referenced, complex research information unchanged by paraphrase is related to other information in a manner that unambiguously constructs meaning. (very rare)	Unreferenced, complex, research information is presented as though it is the candidate's own work.