

Regulation of the Teaching Profession

Standards to support safe, high-quality learning

Aotearoa New Zealand has a shared regulatory system for the teaching profession. This aims to ensure every learner receives an education from teachers who are fit to practise, qualified and competent.

The Ministry of Education

i Sets and maintains teaching standards, monitors and evaluates the effectiveness of standards



Sets initial teacher education (ITE) programme requirements



Sets teacher registration requirements



Sets requirements for limited authority to teach (LAT)



Sets requirements for practising certificates; Provisional, Full (Category One), Full (Category Two)



Sets Code of Professional Responsibility

Sets Standards for the teaching profession

Teaching Council of Aotearoa New Zealand

i Approves ITE programmes, decides who can teach, looks into serious conduct or competence concerns



Approves ITE programme Monitors and reviews performance of ITE programmes



Registers teachers



Grants limited authority to teach (LAT)



Issues practising certificates, including police vetting



Sets rules for reporting serious misconduct and competence issues

Looks into serious conduct or competence concerns and takes action when needed