

CREDIT TRANSFER (CT) POLICY (IN ACCORDANCE WITH H&H REGULATIONS)

Scope:

This policy has been developed to protect the interests and reputation of H&H Accredited Training ('the business') and relates to all Credit Transfer (CT) processes that provide students with agreed and consistent credit outcomes, based on equivalence in content and learning outcomes between matched qualifications.

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to ensure each enrolling applicant is provided with the correct information to apply for CT, and the process is conducted in a fair and equitable manner by H&H. Credit transfers are given when a student has completed the units required for a particular qualification through another Registered Training Organisation (RTO). *This policy is not to be confused with the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Policy.*

Guidelines:

Credit transfer is the credit given towards a qualification for a unit of competency from a nationally accredited course that you have completed through formal vocational education and training.

Where you are granted a credit transfer for one or more units of competency, the qualification price is adjusted, and a new student fee is determined.

For further information about credit transfer and your student fee, please speak with your approved Smart and Skilled training provider. Email the Smart and Skilled customer support team at smartandskilled.enquiries@industry.nsw.gov.au.

Ref: <https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au/for-students/recognising-skills>

Objectives:

The H&H CT Policy is guided by the following principles:

- The CT process will strive to provide accurate and fair recognition for corresponding units of competency from other recognised educational institutes
- Applicants are required to provide original transcripts for CT approval
- Copied documents are only accepted if sighted by an authorised person (ie. Justice of the Peace, Law Authority etc)
- CT will only be granted for:
 - recognised testamurs/transcripts from approved educational institutions only; or
 - authenticated VET transcript issued by the Registrar
- CT will only be granted at the discretion of the General Manager; to ensure reliability of recognising institutions, H&H staff are required to locate the institute on training.gov.au and/or view a student's USI transcript online via the USI transcript service (www.usi.gov.au)
- H&H is not obliged to issue a qualification or statement of attainment that is achieved wholly through recognition of units and/or modules completed at another RTO or RTOs – Ref: ASQA standard clause 3.5
- Documents not recognised for CT include -
 - Statement of Participation
 - Statement of Attendance
 - Statement of Completion
 - Student Assessment Record
 - Progress Reports
 - School Certificate
 - Overseas qualifications, transcripts or statements
 - Enrolment card

- The CT process will incorporate principles of access and equity by treating all applications in the same manner regardless of age, gender, disability, geographic location, language barrier and cultural, ethnic or social background
- Adequate information and support to enable the student to provide the appropriate documentation
- Individual students will receive all relevant information and adequate support when undertaking the CT process
- CT will only be awarded when the process indicates that the documented evidence is current, reliable, fair and valid
 - The CT process will only be undertaken when it contributes to the attainment of a credential under the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF)
 - The basis for CT approval, will be units of competency for qualifications on H&H's scope of registration
 - Responsibility for the quality assurance of CT processes will reside with the General Manager
 - No CT will be granted without the formal application and correct documentation being provided by the applicant
 - Opportunities to obtain feedback on the CT process
 - A student who does not agree with the result of a CT application may appeal as per the Appeal Assessment Results Policy

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Relevant to	All staff; trainers and assessors; students

Risk Rating (Please highlight the appropriate risk level):

5 = High Risk

4 = Medium Risk

3 = Medium to Low Risk

2 = Low Risk

1 = Very Low Risk or N/A