



**Maldives National Skills Development Authority**



# **National Competency Standard for Fish Processing and Quality Control**

**Standard Code: FNA01S08V1**

**Qualification Name: National Certificate I in Fish Processing and Quality Control**  
**Qualification Code: FNA01SQ1L108**

## **PREFACE**

The ADB Loan 2028 MLD, Employment Skills Training Project's (ESTP) objective is to increase the number of Maldivians, men and women, actively participating in the labour force, employed and self-employed. The Project will support the expansion of demand driven employment-oriented skills training in priority occupations and improve the capacity to develop and deliver Competency Based Skill Training (CBST). The Project aims to (i) provide youth with employment-oriented skills training; (ii) improve public perception of training and employment in locally available skills-oriented occupations; (iii) make available employment-related information to more Maldivians; and (iv) strengthen the capacity for labour administration and for labour market analysis.

The objective of the project is to deliver CBST programs to satisfy employer demand-driven needs. The National Competency Standards (NCS) provide the base for this training. Initially training will be focused on five key sectors: tourism, fisheries and agriculture, transport, construction and the social sectors. These sectors are included as priority sectors in the national development plan and play a vital role in the continued economic growth of the country.

The NCS are developed in consultation with Employment Sector Councils representing employers. They are designed using a consensus format endorsed by the Maldives Accreditation Board (MAB) to maintain uniformity of approach and the consistency of content amongst occupations. This single format also simplifies benchmarking the NCS against relevant regional and international standards.

NCS specify the standards of performance of a competent worker and the various contexts in which the work may take place. NCS also describes the knowledge, skills and attitudes required in a particular occupation. They provide explicit advice to assessors and employers regarding the knowledge, skills and attitudes to be demonstrated by the candidates seeking formal recognition for the competency acquired following training or through work experience. By sharing this information, all participants in the training process have the same understanding of the training required and the standard to be reached for certification. Certification also becomes portable and can be recognized by other employers and in other countries with similar standards.

NCS are the foundation for the implementation of the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) system in Maldives. They ensure that all skills, regardless of where or how they were developed can be assessed and recognized. They also form the foundation for certifying skills in the Maldives National Qualification Framework (MNQF).

NCS are developed by the TVET Section of Ministry of Higher Education, Employment and Social Security. The NCS are endorsed by the Employment Sector Councils of the respective sectors and validated by the Maldives Qualification Authority.

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## KEY FOR CODING

### Coding Competency Standards and Related Materials

DESCRIPTION	REPRESENTED BY
Industry Sector as per ESC (Three letters)	Construction Sector <b>(CON)</b> Fisheries and Agriculture Sector <b>(FNA)</b> Transport sector <b>( TRN)</b> Tourism Sector <b>(TOU)</b> Social Sector <b>(SOC)</b> Foundation <b>(FOU)</b>
Competency Standard	<b>S</b>
Occupation with in a industry Sector	<b>Two digits 01-99</b>
Unit	<b>U</b>
Common Competency	<b>1</b>
Core Competency	<b>2</b>
Optional/ Elective Competency	<b>3</b>
Assessment Resources Materials	<b>A</b>
Learning Resources Materials	<b>L</b>
Curricula	<b>C</b>
Qualification	<b>Q1, Q2 etc</b>
MNQF level of Qualification	<b>L1, L2 etc</b>
Version Number	<b>V1, V2 etc</b>
Year of endorsement of standard, qualification	<b>By two digits Example- 07</b>

<b>1. Endorsement Application for Qualification 02</b>		
<b>2. NATIONAL CERTIFICATE II IN FISH PROCESSING AND QUALITY CONTROL</b>		
<b>3. Qualification code:</b> FNA01SQ2L208		<b>Total Number of Credits: 50</b>
<b>4. Purpose of the qualification</b>  The holders of this qualification will be will be competent to work in the Fisheries Sector as a Fish Processing and Quality Controller. The level two qualification presented here will facilitate preparing students to work in local fish processing industry.		
<b>5. Regulations for the qualification</b>		National Certificate II in Fish Processing and Quality Control will be awarded to those who are competent in units 1+2+3+4+5+8+9+10+11+12+13+14
<b>6. Schedule of Units</b>		
<b>Unit Title</b>	<b>Unit Title</b>	<b>Code</b>
1	Apply safe working practices	FNA01S1U01V1
2	Maintain personal hygiene and apply hygienic practices	FNA01S1U02V1
3	Follow policies and procedures	FNA01S1U03V1
4	Communicate effectively in the workplace	FNA01S1U04V1
5	Operate Machinery and Equipment	FNA01S1U05V1
8	Clean and sanitize fish processing areas	FNA01S2U01V1
9	Employ basic knife skills to cut fish	FNA01S2U02V1
10	Receive and handle raw fish	FNA01S2U03V1
11	Work under a HACCP system	FNA01S2U04V1
12	Store fishery products temporarily	FNA01S2U05V1
13	Salt, smoke and dry fish	FNA01S2U06V1
14	Pack and stack fishery products	FNA01S2U07V1
<b>7. Accreditation requirements</b>	The training provider should have a workshop or similar training facility to provide the trainees the hands-on experience related to this qualification	
<b>8. Recommended sequencing of units</b>	As appearing under the section 06	