



Apiculture

This moderation report covers activities for the period April – July 2024.

Apiculture was a moderation focus area for Muka Tangata and between April and June 2024.

We called for **45 ākonga (learner) assessment samples** from **three providers** delivering standards in the industry. These were desk-based moderated.

Provider compliance increased from 0% in 2023 to 100% in 2024 and samples verified from 8% to 90%.

Across all sectors, the year-to-date provider compliance rate for 2024 is 83%, and the verification rate for 2024 is 78%.

Interventions are a key lever in supporting improvements and meeting national external moderation. The main reason for low verification rate in 2023, that all providers failing to meet moderation requirements, was that provider assessment materials had not been pre-moderated, and learner plagiarism. The QAE team worked directly with each provider last year to support them in assessment design and getting the assessment material pre-moderated and approved by Muka Tangata.

The results are stark, with a huge turn-around for those providers - the three providers who did not meet moderation requirements in 2023 have successfully met these requirements in 2024. With and a very healthy 90% verification rate that should provide the sector with confidence in the quality of assessment.

Muka Tangata strongly encourages providers to have all assessments pre-assessment moderated.

Moderation results, positive or otherwise are discussed with the provider, and followed up with a report. Any actions for improvements are agreed with the provider and implemented.

Over this period, we have carried out onsite and online hui whakapūmau enhancement visits with four providers and schools to observe delivery and assessment of standards.