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Draft safety audit standard open for consultation

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) has posted a draft of the Safety Audit Standard for industry consultation on their website.

The standard sets out the requirements for safety management systems for operators that provide adventure activities covered by the [Adventure Activities Regulations](#).

Recognised safety auditors will use the standard to assess an operator's systems and practices. The auditor's role is to ensure that adventure activities conform to legislative obligations, the audit standard, and good practice. An audit certificate is required for registration.

Operators can also use the audit standard to assist them in assessing their safety management systems and determining their readiness for a safety audit.

The audit standard may also be applied to the adventure and outdoors activities provided by operators that are not covered by the Adventure Activities Regulations.

[Click here](#) to read the draft Safety Audit Standard on the MBIE website. Links are also available on the [SupportAdventure](#) and [Outdoors New Zealand](#) websites.

Consultation closes 5pm, Monday 26 November 2012. We encourage you to read the draft audit standard and have your say.

Look out for the November Adventure & Outdoor Update.

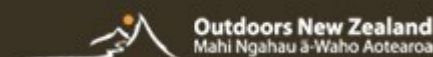
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