Qualified Medical Laboratory Technician (QMLT)

The New Zealand Institute of Medical Laboratory Science (Inc) offers the Qualified Medical Laboratory Technician (QMLT) qualification. This qualification is available to medical laboratory technician trainees (or approved equivalent) in a medical laboratory.

The NZIMLS QMLT is a patent protected qualification and as such, the initials "QMLT" may only be used by individuals who have successfully satisfied all the NZIMLS QMLT requirements.

There are three parts to the QMLT qualification:

- 1. A written examination
- 2. Completion of a Practical Assessment workbook
- 3. Completion of 2,000 hours working in the examination discipline/subject

The written examinations are held once a year, in October, and are offered in the following disciplines/subjects:

- **Anatomical Pathology**
- **Biochemistry**
- **Donor Services**
- General
- Haematology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Diagnostics
- **Mortuary Services**
- Phlebotomy
- Transfusion Medicine
- Transfusion Science Component Processing
- Specimen Services

(Note: Not all subjects are offered each year.)

- Candidates applying for the qualification must be a member/associate member of NZIMLS for the duration of the qualification process.
- Candidates must be employed as a medical laboratory technician trainee, (or a NZIMLS Examination Committee approved equivalent,) in an IANZ accredited diagnostic laboratory in New Zealand.
- Candidates must have worked continuously in the subject before taking the written examination and must have accumulated at least six (6) calendar months practical experience in the examination subject in a New Zealand laboratory at the time of sitting the examination. Please note it is not compulsory to sit the QMLT written examination after six (6) months of practical experience.
- Application for QMLT examinations open in February each year, and close 15 April in the same year.

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