



Regional courses

The following gasfitter up-skilling courses are provided through MPGD and available for you to complete over the coming year.

→ **Marketing made easy – credits to be confirmed**

Marketing is not about spending money on things such as advertising, direct mail and PR - those are just tools. Marketing is about growing your business - its revenues, profits and valuation. This course gives attendees some simple tools and effective processes to help grow their business. It also assists in developing a Marketing Plan and challenges participants to consider how they market their business.

→ **** Construction Contracts Act – credits to be confirmed**

The Construction Contracts Act is designed to protect a business's cash flow plus help resolve any disputes that may arise during a contract. The construction industry is the only industry in New Zealand that has such an Act in place, so it's important that people working within the industry understand their rights and obligations.

→ **** Caravan, boat and mobile takeaway LPG – credits to be confirmed**

The Caravan, boat and mobile takeaway LPG course sets out how to install appliance such as heaters, fridges, gas cookers plus pipes and cylinders in caravans, boats and mobile takeaway outlets under the change in regulations that came into force recently.

→ **** Consumer law - non technical (new course) - four credits**

This highly interactive course covers the Fair Trading and Consumer Guarantee Acts and the possible impacts of these on your business.

→ **** Liquid withdrawal systems and vaporisers – four credits**

This facilitated interactive course deals with the nature of LPG in New Zealand, the factors affecting withdrawal rates and solution options to assist you when you're in the field.

→ **Gas standards - four credits**

This practical course gives you an in depth view of Gas Standard NZ5261:2003 and compliance issues surrounding this Standard.

→ **Gas ventilation – four credits**

Improve your technical understanding and competency for ventilation of gas systems, gas appliances and atmospheres helping to maintain safe ambient conditions.

→ **** How to use and understand your multi-meter when testing gas appliances – four credits**

This practical workshop focuses on your multi-meter including; testing for voltage, continuity and resistance. We will look at preliminary electrical service checks and CFHW operational sequence. A qualified facilitator guides each group. You will need to bring along your own multi-meter on the night.

→ **** Working with LPG – eight credits**

This course looks at the characteristics of LPG, its vaporisation rates and safety requirements. Together with this information you will gain knowledge of the key requirements to obtain a Location Certificate.

➔ **Pipe sizing - four credits**

This workshop requires you to use the relevant gas installation codes to complete the gas pipe sizing for a dwelling from plans supplied.

➔ **Safety within the NZ gas industry - four credits**

This course is designed to increase your technical understanding and competency when handling or operating gas systems, gas appliances and gas fittings to prevent hazardous situations from arising.

➔ **** Understanding of gas legislation and how to prepare for a gas audit – six credits**

Led by a qualified facilitator this course covers what is involved in preparing for a gas audit including the main types of Acts, gas regulation performance outcomes, health and safety legislation and the various governing bodies involved.

 **** Distance learning course:**

To show the ability to locate and use information in the New Zealand Gas Installation standard NZ S 5261: 2003 (web based learning module) - four credits

This easy to complete distance learning course offers an in-depth look at the New Zealand Gas Installation Standard. It helps you locate the specific information you need to get the job done and can be studied in the convenience of your own home at your own pace.

** Active Frequent Fitter Club members can attend any up-skilling courses shown above indicated with **. These courses have been created or funded by Contact Energy at the discounted rates shown in the table below:

Membership type:	Four credit course	Six credit course	Eight credit course
**Active Frequent Fitter or MPGD Member	\$60.00	\$90.00	\$120.00
Non-member	\$120.00	\$180.00	\$240.00

Please note you will be charged the Non-member rates for those up-skilling courses that are not indicated with a ** e.g. Pipe sizing/Gas standards courses.

Note: The figures quoted in the table above exclude GST.