

## Are you a New Zealand registered teacher teaching in the Pacific region and wanting to renew your full practising certificate?

Here are the steps you need to take:

Renewing Tūturu   Full (Category One)	Renewing Pūmau  Full (Category Two)	Renewal tips	Example scenario of renewal
<p><b>You have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>completed at least two years of uninterrupted teaching in the past five years (the Teaching Council will consider shorter periods at its discretion)</li></ul> <p><b>OR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Successfully completed any teacher refresh process as required by the Council</li></ul> <p><b>AND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Testimonial or form completed by your most recent professional leader (can be in NZ, Pacific region or any overseas country) which shows you meet the Ngā Paerewa mō te umanga whakaokoranga   Standards for the Teaching Profession.</li></ul>	<p><b>You have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>completed teaching that has been endorsed by your professional leader</li></ul> <p><b>OR</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>successfully completed any teacher refresh process as required by the Teaching Council.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>If you are an NZ registered teacher who wants to renew a full practising certificate (Tūturu or Pūmau) and you have been teaching in the Pacific, the Teaching Council can review your teaching service and decide if it meets our requirements for overseas teaching service and is equivalent to teaching in NZ.</li><li>Please note that you do not have to renew your practising certificate unless it's required for your job in the Pacific. A practising certificate is only required by the Teaching Council for teaching in NZ. If you decide not to renew, you may need to do a teacher refresh process to renew in the future.</li></ul>	<p>Ledua is an overseas teacher from Fiji who holds NZ registration and full certification (Tūturu) and is wanting to renew her practising certificate. To do this, she would need to provide evidence of her teaching service to meet the requirement for satisfactory recent teaching. Ledua is able to ask her professional leader in Fiji for endorsement and will need to seek a letter of standing from the Fijian Teachers Registration Authority (FTRA).</p> <p>Good news for Ledua after providing information about recent teaching while living in Fiji, she is able to use this as evidence for renewal. The Teaching Council reviewed her application and could see the service was equivalent to teaching in an NZ early learning service or school.</p> <p><b>Discretion:</b> The Teaching Council can consider overseas teaching service that is equivalent to NZ service to renew a practising certificate. And they can consider testimonials from professional leaders in any overseas country.</p>

### What you need to do when renewing your practising certificate?



Alternative options: Refresh process required by the Teaching Council	Refresh Process	Example Scenario
We understand circumstances are different, so if your teaching service is insufficient or not equivalent to teaching in an NZ early learning service or school, you may need to complete a refresh process to renew your practising certificate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>To be completed in the NZ school or ECE service</li><li><a href="#">Renewing a practising certificate</a>.</li></ul>	<p>Ledua's teaching experience while living in Fiji was assessed by the Teaching Council and was identified as not being equivalent to teaching in an NZ early learning service or school.</p> <p><b>Next steps</b></p> <p>Ledua is provided with information on completing a refresh process. Once she has completed this, she will be able to apply to renew her practising certificate.</p>