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MSTDC2009 Identify fabric and garment cleaning requirements

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent to LMTDC2010A Identify fabric and garment cleaning requirements

Application

This unit of competency covers the skills and knowledge required to identify fabric handling requirements from care labelling instructions.

The unit of competency applies to interpreting care labelling instructions on fabric and garments and determining implications for cleaning and handling.

Work may be conducted in small to large scale enterprises and may involve individual and team activities.

Care labelling practices and procedures followed in this unit are in accordance with current standards published by the Australian Standards, and are mandatory under the Competition and Consumer Act 2010.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Dry cleaning and laundry operations

Unit Sector

Not applicable

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

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| 1 | Determine job requirements | 1.1 | Follow standard operating procedures (SOPs) |
| | | 1.2 | Comply with work health and safety (WHS) requirements at all times |
| | | 1.3 | Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) in accordance with SOPs |

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| | | 1.4 | Identify job requirements from specifications, drawings, job sheets or work instructions |
| 2 | Interpret care labelling | 2.1 | Interpret care labelling symbols |
| | | 2.2 | Identify care categories and Australian Standards |
| | | 2.3 | Interpret meaning of care instructions |
| | | 2.4 | Use care labelling information to identify potential fabric problems caused by improper handling |
| | | 2.5 | Identify consequences of improper care |
| | | 2.6 | Use information resources to expand own knowledge of cleaning requirements |
| 3 | Identify fabric or garment cleaning requirements | 3.1 | Identify fabrics, fabric finishes, trims and embellishments that may affect handling |
| | | 3.2 | Identify care requirements of garments |
| | | 3.3 | Determine measures to control fabric problems according to fabric handling requirements and WHS practices |

Foundation Skills

This section describes those required skills (language, literacy and numeracy) that are essential to performance.

Foundation skills essential to performance are explicit in the performance criteria of this unit of competency.

Range of Conditions

This field allows for different work environments and conditions that may affect performance. Essential operating conditions that may be present (depending on the work situation, needs of the candidate, accessibility of the item, and local industry and regional contexts) are included.

Workplace procedures include one or more of the following:

- requirements prescribed by legislation, awards, agreements and conditions of employment
- SOPs

- work instructions
- oral, written and visual communication
- quality practices, including responsibility for maintenance of own work quality and contribution to quality improvement of team or section output
- housekeeping
- tasks related to environmental protection, waste disposal, pollution control and recycling

Australian Standards include:

- the relevant industry or Australian Standards that are current at the time this unit is being undertaken

Information on care labelling includes the following:

- country of origin
- fibre content (e.g. 80% wool 20% polyester)
- care instructions for:
 - hand washing
 - washing
 - drying
 - ironing
 - special requirements (e.g. hanging)
 - dry cleaning
- prohibitions against specific actions, such as “do not bleach”

Care considerations include one or more of the following:

- fibre used
- fabric construction
- trimming, interfacing, lining, decorations and buttons
- design of article
- dyes used
- special treatments (e.g. waterproofing)
- normal care treatment

Fabric problems include two or more of the following:

- differential shrinkage
- heat shrinkage
- chafing
- light fading and fume fading
- hardening of printed fabrics
- loss of body, lustre and sheen
- holes, yarn slippage and fraying
- discoloration or rings

- loss of embossed design
- relaxation shrinkage
- distortion of bias cut fabrics
- yarn slippage
- separation of bonded fabric
- garment failures

Unit Mapping Information

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Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.education.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=a203ec5c-de7d-406b-b3e1-8f1a9b76e92e>