



Australian Government

MSFFP2008 Make a simple upholstery product

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Modification History

Release 1. New unit

Application

This unit specifies the competency required to make simple upholstery products by hand and power tool operations.

It is designed for use in a pre-employment skills introduction program and is suitable for use in institutional-based vocational programs. Skills development will take place under direct supervision.

This unit is not to be used in a traineeship or apprenticeship training program or associated qualifications. It is only to be used in pre-employment programs and carries no credit towards apprenticeship/trade and other qualification types in manufacturing and furnishings.

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

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Unit Sector

Furniture Making Pathways

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

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

1	Determine job requirements	1.1	Identify job requirements, including product purpose, furniture style and upholstery foundations, from specifications, drawings, designs, project sheets or work instructions
		1.2	Identify the workplace, health and safety (WHS) practices and procedures to be used

2	Determine materials required	2.1	Determine material requirements from specifications, project sheets or work instructions
		2.2	Determine foam, foundation and frame requirements
3	Plan and prepare for work	3.1	Select and check tools, equipment and materials prior to use to ensure they are appropriate for the work, serviceable and in a safe condition
		3.2	Select and check fabrics and foundations to match the job type
		3.3	Select and check frame
4	Make simple upholstery product	4.1	Comply with work, health and safety (WHS) requirements at all times
		4.2	Use appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) in accordance with procedures
		4.3	Prepare cutting list and cutting plan for all upholstery components
		4.4	Check measurements and calculations for accuracy to ensure quality outcomes
		4.5	Cut fabric and foam under supervision
		4.6	Prepare frame and attach webbing, foam, polyester fibre and fabric using appropriate hand and power tools
		4.7	Check finished item against quality requirements
5	Check work area and maintain equipment	5.1	Clean equipment and inspect for serviceable condition and store and report faulty and/or defective equipment in accordance with procedures
		5.2	Store or dispose of materials according to procedures
		5.3	Clean and maintain work area

Foundation Skills

This section describes those required skills (reading, writing, oral communication and numeracy) that are essential to workplace performance in this unit of competency.

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.

PPE includes one (1) or more of the following:

- safety glasses
- face and head protection
- protective footwear
- protective clothing
- respiratory protection
- ear protection
- gloves

Furniture items include one (1) more of the following:

- footstool
- box with lid
- bedhead

Foundations include one (1) or more of the following:

- zigzag springs
- elastic webbing
- latex foam
- polyurethane foam
- polyester fibre

Materials include one (1) or more of the following:

- leathers
- vinyls suitable for upholstery
- fabrics (jacquards, prints, plain weaves, velvets and tapestries)

Tools and equipment include one (1) or more of the following:

- foam cutter/knife
- side cutters
- staple lifter
- staple gun
- marking pencils/chalk

- scissors
- ruler and tape measure

Quality requirements include:

- even visual appearance
- no wrinkles
- gaps or play in joints and strength alignment
- neatness
- comfort

Unit Mapping Information

New unit

Links

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<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=0601ab95-583a-4e93-b2d4-cfb27b03ed73>

Assessment Requirements for MSFFP2008 Make a simple upholstery product

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Performance Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate competence in this unit must be relevant to and satisfy the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include:

- following work instructions, procedures and safe work practices
- identifying and interpreting project sheets, specifications, drawings and other relevant information in making simple upholstery products
- applying safe handling requirements for equipment, products and materials, including the use of PPE
- selecting appropriate fabrics for the furniture item and appropriate foundations
- using mathematical ideas and techniques to complete measurements, including calculating area and estimating material requirements
- using tools and equipment in a safe and effective manner
- producing a simple upholstered project by hand and power operations
- inspecting finished product against quality requirements
- minimising wastage of resources, including materials, time and money
- communicating and working effectively and safely with others.

Knowledge Evidence

Evidence required to demonstrate the required knowledge for this unit must be relevant to and satisfy the requirements of the elements and performance criteria and include knowledge of:

- safe work practices and procedures and use of PPE
- types, characteristics, properties and selection criteria for materials used
- capabilities, limitations and safety requirements of tools and equipment
- matching requirements of fasteners to timbers/materials used
- assembly process in relation to the upholstery product being made.

Assessment Conditions

- Assessors must:
 - satisfy the assessor competency requirements that are in place at the time of the assessment as set by the VET regulator
 - have vocational competency in making simple upholstery projects at least to the level being assessed with relevant industry knowledge and experience

- Assessment must occur in a sufficiently rigorous simulated environment that reflects realistic workplace situations.
- Conditions for assessment must include access to all tools, equipment, materials and documentation required, including relevant procedures, product and manufacturing specifications.
- Assessment processes and techniques must be appropriate to the language, literacy and numeracy requirements of the work being performed and the needs of the candidate.

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