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MSFID4017 Research and recommend furniture and accessories

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is equivalent to MSFID4004 Research and recommend furniture and accessories.

Application

This unit describes the skills and knowledge required to determine decoration requirements, research product options and make recommendations for loose furniture and accessories.

This unit applies to individuals providing advice in a retail, consulting or design studio environment. They analyse and compare product information from a wide range of sources to develop a design solution.

No licensing or certification requirements exist at the time of publication. Relevant legislation, industry standards and codes of practice within Australia must be applied.

Pre-requisite Unit

N/A

Unit Sector

Interior Decoration and Design

Elements and Performance Criteria

Elements	Performance Criteria
<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Determine project requirements	1.1 Evaluate project specifications, parameters and constraints, and confirm with client 1.2 Identify and assess aspects of the space that impact on potential solutions 1.3 Identify key project stakeholders and establish required communication protocols
2. Research furniture and accessories options	2.1 Source and assess style options that match the brief 2.2 Analyse and review intended use against functional features of different products 2.3 Consider and investigate new technologies for manufacturing and maintaining furniture and accessories

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	2.4 Consider and investigate relevant anthropometrics, ergonomics and spatial relationships 2.5 Analyse and evaluate product properties for their suitability and sustainability 2.6 Source and compare information about costs and availability against the project brief
3. Refine ideas and select preferred solution	3.1 Explore, integrate and refine different options through a process of reflection and testing 3.2 Choose a preferred solution based on research findings and the key objectives of the project brief 3.3 Prepare a visual representation that communicates the key aspects of the preferred solution
4. Make recommendations to client	4.1 Present recommendations in a format and level of detail suited to the client and scope of the project 4.2 Clearly articulate rationale for the chosen solution and present to the client 4.3 Provide cost estimates associated with purchasing and obtaining the furniture and accessories to the client 4.4 Seek client feedback on the proposed solution 4.5 Base adjustments made to the final design solution on feedback

Foundation Skills

The Foundation Skills describe those required skills (such as, language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills) that are essential to performance:

- technology skills to research product options and present recommendations using digital media.

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

Unit Mapping Information

Supersedes and is equivalent to MSFID4004 Research and recommend furniture and accessories.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

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

Assessment Requirements for MSFID4017 Research and recommend furniture and accessories

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Performance Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has completed the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit, and:

- researched and presented furniture and accessories solutions in response to different project briefs that individually or cumulatively require solutions for:
 - 3 different rooms
 - differing client requirements in terms of:
 - budget
 - style
 - product sustainability.

Knowledge Evidence

There must be evidence the candidate has knowledge of:

- legal and ethical considerations for the provision of product advice, including:
 - individual worker responsibilities under Australian consumer law
 - environmental impact of product lifecycle
 - social responsibility of product
 - universally accessible design considerations
- type and scope of client and/or project brief information needed to inform research and recommendation:
 - budget
 - client preferences
 - aesthetic and functional requirements:
 - site characteristics
 - timeline
- mathematical procedures for estimation and measurement
- how different aspects of space impact on potential solutions, including:
 - colour
 - size
 - shape
 - level of light

- structural features
- environmental conditions (humidity)
- types and features of resources that support the provision of design advice, and how they are used, including:
 - research tools
 - product tools
 - communication tools
- sources of information on furniture and accessories, including:
 - how to access information
 - ways to interrogate and distil information
- features of different furniture and accessory types and styles, used in different spaces, including:
 - bathrooms
 - bedrooms
 - kitchens
 - laundries
 - living and entertainment areas
 - offices
 - reception areas and/or hallways
- current and emerging manufacturing technologies for furniture and accessories
- properties of furniture and accessories and how these inform recommendations:
 - construction, composition and materials, including tactile nature of products
 - finishes
 - maintenance requirements
 - quality
 - safety – flammability, fixing requirements
 - sustainability – sourcing, production, longevity, recycling or end of life disposal
- basic aspects of ergonomics, anthropometric and proxemic values
- elements and principles of design, their interrelationships, and how they are used in interior decoration
- different ways of creating visual representations for design solutions.

Assessment Conditions

Skills must have been demonstrated in the workplace or in a simulated environment that reflects workplace conditions and contingencies. The following conditions must be met for this unit:

- use of suitable facilities, equipment and resources, including:
 - design briefs
 - information technology for research and design presentation.

Assessors must satisfy the NVR/AQTF mandatory competency requirements for assessors.

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