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Assessment Requirements for MSFID4021 Design soft furnishing solutions for interior spaces

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Modification History

Release 1. Supersedes and is not equivalent to MSFID4005 Research and recommend soft furnishings for interiors, and, MSFID5011 Specify soft furnishings for complete interior solution.

Performance Evidence

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

- designed and presented soft furnishing solutions in response to 3 different project briefs that individually or cumulatively require solutions for the following, with at least 1 project requiring the integration of all three:
 - soft furnishings
 - soft floor coverings
 - decorative solutions for windows and openings
- designed solutions for different client requirements in terms of:
 - budget
 - style.
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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 lifecycle
 - 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
- level of light
- positioning
- size
- shape
- structural features
- 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 soft furnishings, including:
 - how to access
 - ways to identify, interrogate and distil information
- features of different soft furnishing types and styles, used in different spaces, and properties of materials, including how pattern repeats affect material use, trimmings and componentry used, including those for:
 - bedding treatments
 - cushions
 - floor coverings –carpet, hard finishes, rugs
 - lampshades
 - trimmings
 - upholstery
 - walls
 - window coverings, including how pattern repeats affect material use
- current and emerging manufacturing technologies for soft furnishings
- factors about the properties of soft furnishings and how these inform recommendations:
 - level of insulation and/or acoustic properties
 - level of light control
 - construction, composition and materials, including tactile nature of products
 - fibre composition and attributes of fabrics, linings and fills
 - installation considerations and availability of expertise
 - quality
 - safety – flammability, fixing requirements
 - sustainability
 - textile use – standards and testing methods/scores
 - maintenance and/or cleaning requirements
 - useable width of fabric, including pattern repeats, wide width, continuous, multi directional, railroaded
- human interaction and/or use of soft furnishings

- current and emerging trends in window treatments and options:
 - fabric requirements
 - fixing technologies
 - types of openings
- 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.
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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
 - spaces for decoration
 - measuring equipment
 - information technology for research and design presentation.

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

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet - <https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=0601ab95-583a-4e93-b2d4-cfb27b03ed73>