

## Prepare fabric for embroidery

**Level** 2

**Credits** 5

**Purpose** People credited with this unit standard are able to mark out fabric or garments for embroidery and load the fabric or garments into hoops or frames.

**Subfield** Clothing Manufacture

**Domain** Embroidery

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**Standard setting body (SSB)** Apparel and Textile Industry Training Organisation

**Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP) reference** 0030

This AMAP can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

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### Special notes

- 1 This unit standard is intended for people working with fabric embroidery machines.
- 2 Competence will be demonstrated on the type of machine installed in the candidate's workplace.
- 3 Competence will be demonstrated on a range of products produced in the candidate's workplace.
- 4 Performance of the elements must comply with the Health and Safety in Employment Act 1992.

## 5 Definitions

*Product specifications* refer to the documentation that accompanies each product order. This documentation sets out the fabric to be used, the marking methods to be used, the embroidery equipment to be used, and the quantity of goods required.

*Workplace procedures* refer to the verbal or documented procedures for performing work activities and include health and safety, operational, environmental, and quality management requirements. They may refer to manuals, manufacturer's specifications, codes of practice, or policy statements.

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## Elements and performance criteria

### Element 1

Mark out fabric or garments prior to embroidery.

#### Performance criteria

- 1.1 The fabric and the side of the fabric chosen to be embroidered meet product specifications.
- 1.2 Marking methods and aids are chosen according to workplace procedures.
- Range marking methods – may include but are not limited to – cutters' patterns, templates, other in-house means of marking; aids/tools – marker pens and colours specified.
- 1.3 Marks are made on fabric or garments according to product specifications.

### Element 2

Load fabric or garments into hoops or frames.

#### Performance criteria

- 2.1 Hoop or frame selected is used according to product specifications and workplace procedures.
- Range hoop or frame size, choice of hoops or frame suits the weight of garment or fabric.
- 2.2 Backing fabric selected meets product specifications.
- Range weight, colour, type of materials used for backing.
- 2.3 The fabric or garment to be embroidered and the backing fabric to be used are aligned in the hoop or frame at the start position.
- Range fabric or garment and backing fabric are aligned so as to eliminate any possibility of ambiguity as to where to begin.

2.4 Fabric or garment is tensioned in the hoop to eliminate bubbling or stretching.

Range crookedness is avoided, material is firm, fabric or garment positioned using light markers or laser markers.

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Accreditation requirements and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Accreditation and Moderation Action Plan (AMAP). The AMAP also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

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**Comments on this unit standard**

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