

Field Manufacturing**Review of *Furniture Making* unit standards 9801, 9802 and 9803**

Subfield	Domain	ID
Furniture	Furniture Making	9801, 9802, 9803

The Forest Industries Training and Education Council (FITEC) has completed the review of the unit standards listed above.

Date review report published

October 2010

Expiry date for all three standards

December 2011

Summary

Feedback from industry led to the review of these unit standards. The explanatory notes of these unit standards allowed off-job assessment to take place. There was concern over the capability of schools and training providers to carry out assessment under conditions that reflected a commercial environment. Feedback suggested the unit standards should be amended to ensure assessment was only carried out on-job in a commercial environment, which would have limited the use of these standards to within industry.

The review included an analysis of assessment data, which highlighted unit standards 9802 and 9803 have had limited use over the last three years within industry and schools. It also showed that while unit standard 9801 has had some use within schools, it had limited use within industry. The unit standards were therefore determined to be of no value to industry.

FITEC consulted with industry and schools to recommend the expiry of these unit standards. This course of action was endorsed by both industry and accredited providers.

Main changes

- All unit standards in this review were designated expiring and will not be replaced.

Category D unit standards will expire at the end of December 2011.

Impact on registered qualifications

Key to type of impact	
Affected	The qualification lists a reviewed classification (domain or subfield) in an elective set The qualification lists a standard that has changes to level or credits The qualification lists a C or D category standard
Not materially affected	The qualification lists a standard that has a new title The qualification lists a standard that has a new classification

The following FITEC qualifications are impacted by the outcome of this review process and will be updated when they are reviewed in 2014. The classifications and/or standards that generated the status *Affected* are listed in **bold**.

Ref	Qualification Title	ID
1503	National Certificate in Furniture (Level 3) with strands in Finishing, Machine Operator, Furniture Making, Frame Making, Upholstery, Upholstery Cutting, and Upholstery Sewing	9801, 9802
1504	National Certificate in Furniture (Level 4) with strands in Furniture Design and Markets, Craft Finisher, Machine Setter, Furniture Maker, Advanced Upholstery, and Computer Numerical Controlled Machinery (CNC)	9803

Candidates completing either of these qualifications will not be disadvantaged. All of the unit standards are listed in elective sections and there are sufficient alternative unit standards in those elective sections to complete each of the qualifications.

Detailed list of unit standards – classification, title, level, and credits

Key to review category	
A	Dates changed, but no other changes are made - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
B	Changes made, but the overall outcome remains the same - the new version of the standard carries the same ID and a new version number
C	Major changes that necessitate the registration of a replacement standard with a new ID
D	Standard will expire and not be replaced

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ID	Title	Level	Credit	Review Category
9801	Hand turn wood for furniture using spindle turning techniques	3	5	D
9802	Hand turn wood for furniture using face plate turning techniques	3	5	D
9803	Hand turn wood for furniture using off-centre turning techniques	4	5	D