# Field Manufacturing

# Review and revision of Wool Scouring and Textiles Manufacture qualifications

# National Certificate in Wool Scouring (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 0637] National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121]

The Apparel and Textiles Industry Training Organisation (ATITO) has reviewed the National Certificate in Wool Scouring (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 0637] and revised the National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121].

## **New qualification**

National Diploma in Textiles Manufacture (Carding Technician) (Level 5) [Ref: 1739]

## Date new versions published

#### October 2011

The mandatory review of Manufacturing qualifications is planned to take place during 2012. This review will involve the National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121] and the National Diploma in Textiles Manufacture (Carding Technician) (Level 5) [Ref: 1739].

## Summary of review and consultation process

The ATITO's wool scouring advisory group reviewed the National Certificate in Wool Scouring (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 0637]. This group included representatives from industry employers, the ATITO, and a specialist training provider. It decided that the qualification no longer met industry requirements and should be designated expiring. The lack of usage of the qualification also supported this decision.

The advisory group also decided to add standards from the *Wool Scouring* domain to the National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121] to promote transferability of credit across the different sectors of the textile manufacturing industry.

Also, consultation with employers in the yarn manufacturing sector highlighted the need for a qualification to recognise the skills and knowledge of technicians who are responsible for the maintenance and configuration of carding machines. Therefore, the National Diploma in Textiles Manufacture (Carding Technician) (Level 5) [Ref: 1739] was developed.

## Main changes resulting from the review and revision

- [Ref: 0637] was designated expiring as it no longer met industry requirements.
- Standards 2446-2448 and 2452 from the *Wool Scouring* domain were added to Elective A of [Ref: 1121].
- A new National Diploma in Textiles Manufacture (Carding Technician) (Level 5) [Ref: 1739] was developed.

## Review

# National Certificate in Wool Scouring (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 0637]

| Review category D See Key to Qualification Review Categories at the end o | report |
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## Transition

Candidates enrolled on programmes leading to the award of version 3 of the National Certificate in Wool Scouring (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 0637] may either complete that version of the qualification before 31 December 2012 or transfer to the National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121].

These two qualifications share unit standards 17915 and 19841 in common. Also, it is likely that candidates who transfer to the National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121] will already have met the majority of the requirements of Elective A and B of this qualification.

# Revision

# National Certificate in Textiles Manufacture (Operations) (Level 2) [Ref: 1121]

Changes to structure and content

• Standards 2446-2448 and 2452 were added to Elective A.

# Transition

There are no transition consequences for existing candidates resulting from the revision of this qualification.

It is anticipated that no existing candidates will be disadvantaged by this review and revision. However, candidates who feel disadvantaged may appeal to the Apparel and Textile ITO at the address below, which will consider appeals on a case-by-case basis.

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# Key to Qualification Review Categories

| Category A   | Changes are made to SSB name, contact details or purpose statement                |
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| The qualification is published as a                                  | No change is made to title, rules or components of the qualification              |
| new version with the same NQF ID                                     | No transition arrangements are required   |
| Category B   | Changes are made to title, rules or components                                    |
| The qualification is published as a new version with the same NQF ID | The new version of the qualification recognises a similar skill set to that       |
|  | recognised by the previous version  |
|  | The SSB is confident that people awarded the new or previous version are          |
|  | comparable in terms of competence   |
|  | Transition arrangements are required if candidates must gain additional/different |
|  | credits for the new version   |
| Category C   | Significant changes are made to the qualification in terms of components,         |
| A new (replacement) qualification is<br>published with new NQF ID    | structure, type or level  |
|  | The SSB views people with the replacement qualification as being significantly    |
|  | different in terms of competence from those with the replaced qualification       |
|  | Transition arrangements are required  |
|  | Transition may be limited to phase-out dates                                      |
| Category D   | Qualification is no longer required by industry                                   |
| Qualification will expire.   | The qualification is designated as expiring and a last date for meeting the       |
| There is no replacement  | qualification requirements is set   |
| qualification  |   |