

Title	Prepare and operate an overlocker to sew upholstery covers		
Level	3	Credits	6

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of overlockers used; prepare to operate an overlocker; and operate an overlocker, to sew upholstery covers.
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Classification	Furniture > Upholstery
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Assessment information
This unit standard must be assessed against on-job.
All activities and performance criteria must be carried out in accordance with worksite policies and procedures.
- 2 Definitions
Manufacturer's instructions are instructions provided by manufacturers of substances, equipment, and machinery used in furniture making. These instructions may include details on safe and correct handling, use and storage of substances and/or details on substance properties. Examples are labels on substance containers, product data sheets, and operator's manuals.
Worksite policies and procedures refer to documented policies and to documented or other directions provided to staff. These may include, but are not limited to, ways of managing health and safety, environmental considerations, quality, and production, and must conform to legislation. Examples include standard operating procedures, company health and safety plans, on-site briefings, and supervisor's instructions.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of overlockers used to sew upholstery covers.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Features of overlockers are identified and adjustment or setting of those features is explained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Range spools, feet, foot peddles, on-off switch, tension adjustment control, knives, foot lift, stitch adjustment control, needles.

1.2 Maintenance requirements of overlockers is explained in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Range lubrication, knives, cleanliness, needles.

Outcome 2

Prepare to operate an overlocker to sew upholstery covers.

Performance criteria

2.1 Pre-start checks are performed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

2.2 Job specifications are obtained and interpreted.

Range cover edges to be overlocked, time limits.

2.3 Materials are selected in accordance with job specifications.

Range thread, needle size.

2.4 One spool is rethreaded in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

Range bottom needle, no existing thread present.

2.5 Salvage is overlocked, and stitch size, tensions, and trimming are checked and adjusted if required.

Outcome 3

Operate an overlocker to sew upholstery covers.

Performance criteria

3.1 Overlocker is operated in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.

3.2 Output of overlocker is monitored and adjusted where necessary in accordance with job specifications.

Range stitch size, tension.

3.3 Salvages are overlocked in accordance with job specifications.

Range straight, checkpoints remarked, minimal trimming.

3.4 Equipment and unused materials are stored.

3.5 Work area is left clean, clear, and safe.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	23 February 1999	31 December 2023
Review	2	28 June 2005	31 December 2023
Review	3	19 June 2009	N/A
Review	4	26 November 2020	N/A

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Comments on this unit standard

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