

Title	Cut and fabricate fibre for upholstery		
Level	2	Credits	3

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: demonstrate knowledge of and prepare to cut and fabricate fibre; cut and attach fibre to foam; and complete fibre cutting and fabrication activities, for upholstery.
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Classification	Furniture > Upholstery
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Available grade	Achieved
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Guidance Information

- 1 Legislation
Health and Safety at Work Act 2015.
- 2 Definitions
Accepted industry practice – approved codes of practice and standardised procedures accepted by the wider upholstery industry as examples of best practice.
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.
Workplace procedures refer to organisation policies and procedures. They may include but are not limited to – standard operating procedures, site specific procedures, site safety procedures, equipment operating procedures, quality assurance procedures, product quality specifications, references, approved codes of practice, housekeeping standards, environmental considerations, on-site briefings, supervisor's instructions, and procedures to comply with legislative and local body requirements relevant to the industry sector.
- 3 Assessment information
All activities and evidence must be in accordance with workplace procedures and accepted industry practice.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Demonstrate knowledge of and prepare to cut and fabricate fibre for upholstery.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Job specifications are obtained and interpreted.
Range grade and thickness of fibre, cutting size and shape, timeframe.
- 1.2 Materials and equipment for the job are obtained.
- 1.3 Safety precautions taken when using cutters are explained.
- 1.4 Polyester fibre used for upholstery is described in terms of density and end use.
Range melt-bonded fibre (low, medium, and high density), silicon polyester fibre.
- 1.5 Types of fibre in the workplace are identified.
- 1.6 Ways to manage risks and hazards associated with foam and solvent adhesive are explained.
Range hazards – fire, toxic fumes.

Outcome 2

Cut and attach fibre to foam for upholstery.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Personal protective equipment is worn.
- 2.2 Fibre is cut in accordance with job specifications.
- 2.3 Cutter is used in accordance with manufacturer’s instructions.
- 2.4 Fibre is attached to foam.

Outcome 3

Complete fibre cutting and fabrication activities for upholstery.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Work area is cleaned and cleared of tools, debris, and any excess material.
- 3.2 Supervisor is informed of job completion.

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Comments on this unit standard

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