

Title	Sew synthetic vinyl, polyvinyl, canvas, woven pile, bonded or laminated fabric upholstery covers		
Level	4	Credits	5

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to prepare to sew; and sew vinyl, polyvinyl, canvas, woven pile, bonded or laminated fabric upholstery covers; and complete sewing activities.
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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.
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 Range
Seams must be rolled, hammered, glued, or taped before twin needle detailing is sewn.
Competence must be demonstrated on sewing covers for either armchairs or settees.
- 4 Assessment information
All activities and evidence must be in accordance with workplace procedures and accepted industry practice.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Prepare to sew vinyl, polyvinyl, canvas, woven pile, bonded or laminated fabric upholstery covers.

Performance criteria

- 1.1 Job specifications are obtained and interpreted.
- Range item being sewn, number of items, sewing plan, seam detailing, timeframe.
- 1.2 Materials for the job are obtained in accordance with job specifications.
- 1.3 Machine is prepared in accordance with job specifications.
- Range threaded, feet, needle.
- 1.4 Seam is sewn, and stitch size and tensions are checked and adjusted.

Outcome 2

Sew vinyl, polyvinyl, canvas, woven pile, bonded or laminated fabric upholstery covers.

Performance criteria

- 2.1 Panels are sewn together, and stitch size and tensions are checked and adjusted in accordance with job specifications.
- Range checkpoints matched, no walking of fabric, even selvedge, correct pile direction, no puckering.
- 2.2 Seam detailing is sewn in accordance with job specifications.
- 2.3 Beginning and end of seams are back tacked in accordance with job specifications.
- 2.4 Upholstery covers are sewn and completed within the specified time.

Outcome 3

Complete sewing activities.

Performance criteria

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

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Comments on this unit standard

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