Lay up fabrics by hand in the clothing industry

Level 2
Credits 9

Purpose People credited with this unit standard are able to: prepare for laying up of fabrics; lay up multiple plies of fabric by hand; identify fabric faults and take corrective action; check and use production markers; and complete documentation.

Subfield Clothing Manufacture

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Special notes


2 Range
   Thick or rigid – denim, 9 gauge knitted.
   Thin or stretch – lycra, nylon, lace, gauze single jersey.
   Slippery – lycra, nylon.
   Open – net, lace.
3 Definition

Workplace procedures refer to the verbal or documented procedures for performing work activities and include health and safety, operational, environmental, and quality management requirements. They may refer to manuals, manufacturer's specifications, codes of practice, or policy statements.

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**Elements and performance criteria**

**Element 1**

Prepare for laying up of fabrics.

**Performance criteria**

1.1 Laying up terminology is identified and explained in terms of its application.
   
   Range: cut off each ply, face to face, matching fabric, pile fabrics.

1.2 Markers are identified, and the type of laying up system to be used is identified from the marker according to workplace procedure for fabric type.

1.3 All necessary equipment is identified and assembled prior to laying up.
   
   Range: end stops, metre or yardstick, chalk, weights, base paper, shears.

**Element 2**

Lay multiple plies of fabric by hand.

Range: minimum of two fabrics.

**Performance criteria**

2.1 Plies are free from creases, all ripples are removed, and near edge is vertical.
   
   Range: tension free, plaid on twisted fabric to be cut or torn across weave.

2.2 Block markers on base paper or bench are identified and marked to enable faulty fabric to be spliced.

2.3 End loss tolerances identified are set to compensate for stretch or shrinkage, and are not exceeded.

2.4 Ends are cut straight or lapped according to type of fabric.

2.5 Surplus material is identified, and stock records are maintained in accordance with workplace procedures.

2.6 Fabric is laid in sequence to meet cloth number and quantities required.
Element 3

Identify fabric faults and take corrective action.

**Performance criteria**

3.1 Allowances are made for recuts, and recut fabric is marked in accordance with workplace procedures.

3.2 Records of fabric losses are maintained in accordance with workplace procedures.

3.3 Wastage and surplus material are identified in accordance with workplace procedures.

Element 4

Check and use production markers.

**Performance criteria**

4.1 Supplied markers are checked for all components before fabric is laid.

4.2 Fabric utilisation is within agreed limits for the marker product.

4.3 Markers are visually inspected to ensure that cutting clearance and direction of pieces comply with cutting instructions.

Element 5

Complete documentation.

**Performance criteria**

5.1 Material usage is calculated and documented in accordance with workplace procedures.

5.2 All time used is recorded in accordance with workplace procedures.

5.3 Unused fabric is returned to stock and recorded in accordance with workplace procedures.

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