

Unit ID: 135
Domain
Title:
CLOTHING PRODUCTION
Perform cutting operations using domestic equipment in a production environment
Level: 1
Credits: 3

Purpose

This unit standard specifies the competencies required to perform cutting operations using domestic equipment in a clothing environment. It includes preparing a workstation, cutting garment pieces, identifying poor cutting equipment and dispatching cut work. This unit standard is intended for those who work in the clothing production industry.

Special Notes

1. Entry information:
Prerequisite
 - Unit 130 - *Follow workplace safety procedures in a clothing production workplace* or demonstrated equivalent knowledge and skills.
2. To demonstrate competence, at a minimum, evidence is required of preparing the work area and equipment, cutting three garment pieces, identifying poor cutting equipment performance and dispatching cut garment pieces. These tasks must be performed ensuring correct identification of requirements and finishing of the tasks, correct selection and use of appropriate processes, tools and equipment and completing all work to specification.
3. Assessment evidence may be collected from a real workplace or a simulated real workplace or an appropriate simulated realistic environment in which clothing production operations are carried out.
4. Tools, equipment and material may include but are not limited to blades, manual scissors, electrical shears, cotton, poly-cotton and linen, domestic sewing machines and domestic over-locker machines.
5. All inspection, operation and maintenance procedures associated with the use of tools and equipment shall comply with manufacturers' and company guidelines, instructions and specifications.
6. Performance of all elements in this unit standard must comply with all relevant workplace requirements and /or manufacturer's specifications.
7. Regulations and legislation relevant to this unit standard include the following:
 - Labour Act, No. 6, 1992
 - Occupational Health and Safety Regulations No. 18, 1997
 and all subsequent amendments.

Quality Assurance Requirements

This unit standard and others within this subfield may be awarded by institutions which meet the accreditation requirements set by the Namibia Qualifications Authority and the Namibia Training Authority and which comply with the national assessment and moderation requirements. Details of specific accreditation requirements and the national assessment arrangements are available from the Namibia Qualifications Authority and the Namibia Training Authority on www.nta.com.na

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element 1: Prepare work area and equipment

Performance Criteria

- 1.1 Work area is set up according to workplace specifications.
- 1.2 Cutting equipment is cleaned and checked according to workplace specifications.
- 1.3 Faults are identified, rectified, reported and recorded in line with workplace specifications.
- 1.4 Materials are collected and laid out in correct sequence according to workplace specifications.

Element 2: Cut garment pieces

Range

Garment pieces to be cut may include but are not limited to fabric, Vilene, lining, waist band and pockets.

Performance Criteria

- 2.1 Marker and lay alignment are checked and appropriate action is checked in line with workplace specifications.
- 2.2 Lay is cut according to workplace specifications.
- 2.3 Cut work is inspected and identified faults are rectified or reported in line with workplace specifications.

Element 3: Identify poor cutting equipment

Performance Criteria

- 3.1 Cutting equipment is regularly checked for signs of faulty operations and required actions are taken in line with workplace specifications.

Element 4: Dispatch cut work

Performance Criteria

- 4.1 Cut work is inspected, faults are identified and necessary action is taken in line with workplace specifications.
- 4.2 Results of inspection are recorded.
- 4.3 Completed work is labelled and dispatched to next section in line with workplace specifications.
- 4.4 Work area is cleaned up and prepared for the next job or operation.

Registration Data

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