
Overview

This standard addresses the competence required to assess the work required in repairing a piece of furniture. This involves investigating customer requirements, parameters and any existing briefs or requirements and identifying appropriate techniques and materials.

**Performance
criteria**

- You must be able to:
- P1 obtain the specification for the work and identify the components that need repair
 - P2 note any customer requirements for carrying out the work, such as use of original materials
 - P3 handle and examine the item without causing further damage or degradation
 - P4 accurately identify any vulnerabilities in the item of furniture which will need to be addressed and report these to the relevant person
 - P5 use valid and reliable sources of information and expert advice as required to identify and obtain the required materials
 - P6 identify and obtain the required tools and equipment to carry out the repair
 - P7 manage expectations by communicating the limits of the results of repair work

Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the factors that should be taken into consideration when assessing an item of furniture for repair
- K2 how to identify the construction methods and materials used in items of furniture from different historical periods and countries of origin
- K3 the components of the furniture and how to identify those which can be easily damaged and protective measures and those which are more robust
- K4 parts of the furniture that contain dangerous or toxic materials and for which personal protective equipment and clothing should be used
- K5 how to assess the implication of the presence of mechanical or electrical components in furniture
- K6 what steps to take to avoid causing damage and degradation to an item of furniture
- K7 what to look for when assessing how vulnerable the item is to continuing degradation
- K8 why it is helpful to identify the causes of damage and degradation so these can be taken into account when considering repair requirements
- K9 how to identify the signs of common forms of deterioration in items of furniture
- K10 why you should keep a record of your assessment
- K11 how to provide clear information to a customer, what type of information they need, and why it could be important to them
- K12 the source of suitable materials and equipment for conducting repairs
- K13 any special handling or storage instructions for the item

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