



**NATIONAL CERTIFICATE MODULE: UNIT SPECIFICATION****STATEMENT OF STANDARDS****UNIT NUMBER:** 3311034**UNIT TITLE:** GARMENT PATTERN CONSTRUCTION FOR  
MACHINE KNITTING: SKIRTS

Acceptable performance in this unit will be the satisfactory achievement of the standards set out in this part of the specification. All sections of the statement of standards are mandatory and cannot be altered without reference to SQA.

**OUTCOME**

1. PRODUCE A BASIC SKIRT BLOCK SUITABLE FOR KNITWEAR TO GIVEN SPECIFICATIONS

**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

- (a) The use of appropriate tools and equipment to produce the block is correct.
- (b) The use of appropriate techniques is correct with respect to given specifications.
- (c) The production of the basic skirt block for knitwear from given measurements conforms to given specifications.

**RANGE STATEMENT**

Basic block to incorporate: construction lines dart positions; style; pattern pieces; size.

**EVIDENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Practical evidence of the ability to use appropriate tools, equipment and techniques to produce the basic skirt using the above range.

**OUTCOME**

2. PRODUCE A VARIETY OF FULL SCALE AND MINIATURE KNITWEAR SKIRT PATTERNS TO GIVEN SPECIFICATIONS

**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

- (a) The use of appropriate tools and equipment to produce the patterns is correct.
- (b) The use of appropriate techniques is correct with respect to given specifications.
- (c) The production of basic skirt block for knitwear given measurements conforms to given specifications.

**RANGE STATEMENT**

The range statement in this outcome is specified within the performance criteria.

**EVIDENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Practical evidence of the ability to use appropriate tools, equipment and techniques. Practical evidence of the ability to produce miniature patterns and full scale patterns. Performance Criteria (c) and (d) should be carried out at least 4 times producing a different pattern on each occasion.

**OUTCOME**

3. PRODUCE MINIATURE LAY MARKERS FOR A GIVEN SKIRT LINING STYLE

**PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

- (a) The recording of the cloth widths is correct.
- (b) The positioning of the pattern pieces on the cloth is accurate.
- (c) The recording of an economical lay plan is correct.

**RANGE STATEMENT**

Cloth widths: single width; double width.

**EVIDENCE REQUIREMENTS**

Practical and written evidence of the ability to record cloth widths and record the most economic lay plan. Practical evidence of the ability to position the pattern pieces on the cloth.

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**ASSESSMENT**

In order to achieve this unit, candidates are required to present sufficient evidence that they have met all the performance criteria for each outcome within the range specified. Details of these requirements are given for each outcome. The assessment instruments used should follow the general guidance offered by the SQA assessment model and an integrative approach to assessment is encouraged. (See references at the end of support notes).

Accurate records should be made of the assessment instruments used showing how evidence is generated for each outcome and giving marking schemes and/or checklists, etc. Records of candidates' achievements should be kept. These records will be available for external verification.

**SPECIAL NEEDS**

In certain cases, modified outcomes and range statements can be proposed for certification. See references at end of support notes.

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**NATIONAL CERTIFICATE MODULE: UNIT SPECIFICATION****SUPPORT NOTES**

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**SUPPORT NOTES:** This part of the unit specification is offered as guidance. None of the sections of the support notes is mandatory.

**NOTIONAL DESIGN LENGTH:** SQA allocates a notional design length to a unit on the basis of time estimated for achievement of the stated standards by a candidate whose starting point is as described in the access statement. The notional design length for this unit is 40 hours. The use of notional design length for programme design and timetabling is advisory only.

**PURPOSE** This module will provide the candidate with practical skills required to produce a skirt block. The module would be appropriate for a candidate who is starting employment in the knitwear industry.

SQA publishes summaries of NC units for easy reference, publicity purposes, centre handbooks, etc. The summary statement for this unit is as follows:

This module will enable to gain the practical skills required to make a skirt block and produce skirt patterns. You will also learn how to provide lining for the skirt.

**CONTENT/CONTEXT** Relating to Outcomes 1-3

Skirt styles: basic darted, A line, knife/inverted/box pleat, wrapover, yoked, panels (4-6-8), culottes, circle (1/2, 1/2, full), sideways knitted.

Pockets, waistband, linings, zip fastenings.

**APPROACHES TO GENERATING EVIDENCE** A candidate - centres, resource based learning approaches is recommended. The outcomes need not be taught separately and it is likely that the integrated approach will be used. The outcomes need not be tackled in the order shown. Candidates should have access to up-to-date manufacturers catalogues and technical publications.

**ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES** Centres may use Instruments of Assessment which the tutors/trainers find appropriate. Examples of Instruments of assessment are as follows.

Outcomes 1-2            It is recommended that practical exercises are used to assess these outcomes. As well as producing the requirements of the outcomes practical observation checklists should be used to evidence the candidate's completion of the outcomes and performance criteria.

Outcomes 3            It is recommended that an assignment is used here whereby the candidate produces evidence of recording cloth widths and the most economic lay plan. An observation checklist should be used to evidence the candidate's ability to position the pattern pieces on the cloth.

**PROGRESSION** Candidates should progress to Higher National units.

**RECOGNITION** Many SQA NC units are recognised for entry/recruitment purposes. For up-to-date information see the SQA guide 'Recognised and Recommended Groupings'.

## REFERENCES

1. Guide to unit writing.
2. For a fuller discussion on assessment issues, please refer to SQA's Guide to Assessment.
3. Procedures for special needs statements are set out in SQA's guide 'Students with Special Needs'.
4. Information for centres on SQA's operating procedures is contained in SQA's Guide to Procedures.
5. For details of other SQA publications, please consult SQA's publications list.

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