

## SKSLWDC13 – Clean items by dry-cleaning process - SQA Unit Code HJ64 04

### Overview:

This standard is for those who clean items using dry-cleaning processes, and prepare the work required.

The job role may involve:

- preparing and maintaining dry-cleaning equipment
- dry-cleaning items
- operating the dry-cleaning machine safely
- handling solvents safely
- dealing with spillages and fume leaks
- classifying the work required for dry-cleaning

### Performance Criteria:

- P1 prepare the items and dry cleaning machinery for use
- P2 plan, allocate and classify the loads for dry cleaning
- P3 remove any items from the loads not suitable for dry cleaning and select alternative cleaning methods
- P4 operate the dry cleaning machine safely in line with the manufacturer's instructions
- P5 monitor equipment settings and solvent levels during the dry cleaning process
- P6 handle items with care and in line with organisational procedures
- P7 inspect items prior to finishing to ensure they meet organisational quality standards
- P8 identify and report any problems that may arise in carrying out the work
- P9 identify and deal with items that are not cleaned satisfactorily or have been damaged during the cleaning process
- P10 ensure the machinery is cleaned out following use
- P11 safely dispose of waste materials in line with organisational procedures
- P12 comply with solvent emission legislation, keeping accurate records of solvent use and emissions
- P13 maintain the equipment in accordance with organisational procedures

### Knowledge and Understanding

- K1 the wash cycle, dry cycle and distillation cycle
- K2 how to interpret care labels and what dry cleaning processes may be required
- K3 which items are unsuitable for dry-cleaning
- K4 understanding how to deal with different fibres, fabrics, trimmings and accessories
- K5 how to select and use solvents, detergents and chemicals
- K6 the correct operating pressures and temperatures of machines
- K7 how to use solvents safely
- K8 how to monitor solvent emissions and accurately record solvent use
- K9 who to report faults with machinery to
- K10 how to inspect items against the organisational quality standards for dry cleaned items
- K11 how to identify and deal with common problems with items following dry cleaning
- K12 how to manage waste water following the dry cleaning process
- K13 COSHH (Control Of Substances Hazardous to Health) and VOC (Volatile Organic Compound) directive
- K17 statutory responsibilities under health, safety and environmental legislations and regulations during the dry cleaning process