

SKSLWDC14 – Finish items after dry-cleaning - SQA Unit Code HJ65 04

Overview:

This standard is for those who press and inspect items following the dry-cleaning process.

The job role may involve:

- pressing items using a flat bed finishing table or free steam press or cabinet or former
- inspecting pressed items for quality

Performance Criteria:

- P1 select the correct finishing equipment to be used for the item
- P2 check that the finishing equipment is safe and ready to use
- P3 check that items are suitable for finishing and redirect if unsuitable
- P4 adjust the machinery to suit the item you are to process
- P5 take precautions before steaming and ironing to protect the item and trim to avoid damage
- P6 process the item using the finishing equipment
- P7 correct distortions and restore shape to items during finishing
- P8 ensure finishing of sensitive fibres and textiles is in line with care labels
- P9 inspect the item following finishing to ensure it meets the organisation's finishing requirements
- P10 identify items that do not meet organisational finishing requirements and deal with these
- P11 identify any problems that may arise during the finishing process and report these

Knowledge and Understanding

- K1 the advantages and disadvantages of different types of finishing equipment
- K2 what the specific hazards with finishing are
- K3 the correct steam pressures, vacuum services and lighting requirements needed
- K4 the requirements for adequate air extraction during finishing
- K5 how to use the finishing equipment/press buck clothing requirements and ancillary tools
- K6 the iron temperature adjustments and ironing/steaming techniques relative to different fabrics
- K7 how to interpret care labels
- K8 the value of vacuum in finishing
- K9 how different fibres, fabrics and item construction can affect the finishing process
- K10 how to care for buttons, trim, accessories and fastenings
- K11 checking and adjusting the press locking pressure if applicable
- K12 how to apply additional finishes where appropriate
- K12 statutory responsibilities under health, safety and environmental legislations and regulations during the dry cleaning process