

Skills Test Criteria – Floorcovering (STFC1)
SQA Unit Code HN2K 04

This should be the final Unit delivered within the SVQ.

We do not expect this test to run more than 16 hours on consecutive days and work should be planned accordingly.

The pass mark for the overall test should be 70%, if a candidate doesn't achieve this the whole test should be considered as a fail.

The following criteria describe the standard/tolerances the candidate must meet in relation to each of the different skill elements.

Preparation	Primer applied to floor area - no puddles/bald patches/left smooth
	Primer applied to perimeter -2mm
	Primer to half check +/- 3mm
	Smoothing compound applied to surface -2mm
	Skirting's free from primer and smoothing compound
Set-in cove and 1m sheet	Datum line struck to accommodate set-in cove +/-1mm
	Set-in cove securely fixed to datum line, wall and floor
	No adhesive above datum line
	Set-in cove toes square +/-1mm
	Corners mitred +/-1mm
	Material fitted to set-in cove +/-1mm
	Material fully adhered to floor – no bubbles
	No adhesive, score marks, burn, groove or spatula marks on finished floor
	Correct depth and width of groove
Weld secure in groove – no gaps and finished flush	
Gripper, underlay, naplock and carpet	Gripper pins face to wall
	Gripper gully, joins and corners secure to 5mm with no protruding nails
	Felt fitted flat and secure to within 5mm
	Carpet set out straight +/- 5mm
	Heat seam tape cut and secure for join + 5mm
	Heat seamed Carpet join-backing meets
	Carpet pile correct, flat, stretched onto gripper and to skirting with no score marks
	Carpet fitted to naplock securely with no damage

Cove former, capping strip and resilient sheet material	Capping strip aligned with struck datum line +/-1mm and fully adhered
	All corners mitred -1mm
	No adhesive above datum line
	Cove former set out equidistant from base of wall +/-1mm
	Cove former securely adhered to wall and floor and tapered at door
	Material lined up to datum line +/-2mm
	Material fitted neatly into capping strip
	Material fully adhered to wall floor and cove former
	No gaps to sheet material -2mm
	No gaps at radiator pipes or WC -1mm
	Material fitted to half check +/-1mm
	Weld continuous and finished flush with material
	No burn, groove or spatula marks on finished floor