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Subject guidance for internally assessed qualifications in 2021-22

Please read this document in conjunction with guidance for the assessment of internally assessed qualifications issued to centres in August 2021.

Group Award titles:	HNC Jewellery HND Jewellery
Group Award codes:	GG1T 15 G91V 16

Introduction

This subject-specific supplementary guidance has been produced to assist centres to deliver the HNC Jewellery (G91T 15) and HND Jewellery (G91V 16) and to find ways to mitigate the impact of COVID-19 restrictions. It focuses on supporting achievement of the HNC and HND in Jewellery while maintaining the integrity of the qualification.

Summary

This document provides information on the following:

- ◆ guidance on delivery and adapted assessment
- ◆ unit-specific advice
- ◆ addition of optional units to enhance flexibility

Additions to framework to enhance flexibility

The following units have been added to the option section and other optional units may be added over time:

- ◆ Jewellery Project (F1MY 35)
- ◆ Developing Entrepreneurial Skills (H7V6 34)

Delivery and assessment

We are very grateful for the contributions and cooperation of our college colleagues in the production of this guidance. From the discussions, it was clear that all centres delivering the HNC Jewellery and HND Jewellery shared similar issues on how and what can be delivered to new and existing learners:

- ◆ timetabling — giving particular consideration to delivering units involving practical work
- ◆ access to colleges and specialist equipment
- ◆ logistics involved in managing student numbers in classroom/studio settings
- ◆ compliance with government guidelines
- ◆ health and safety requirements – both general (ie college-wide) and specific to these qualifications
- ◆ course planning and assessment

Planning for assessment

QST members are aware that, in accordance with the general guidance issued by SQA in August 2021, learners must generate evidence which demonstrates that all outcomes of all units have been met. The emphasis is on planning, and making sure the whole course team implement a combined approach to the collection of evidence generated by the learner. This should result in reducing assessment requirements by addressing duplication or overlapping assessment.

Course planning and timetabling

The general guidance provides detailed information on this. However, in addition, consideration should be given to the potential impact of delivering individual units over two years. This may affect learners who may be unable or choose not to continue after Year 1. It is, therefore, important that all learners have the opportunity to meet the conditions of award for the HNC. Ensuring that all mandatory units for the HNC are delivered is essential when planning for Year 1 of the HND.

Units

H6DS 34 Lost wax casting: an introduction (mandatory)

Outcome 3 — Prepare models for casting

Outcome 3 requires learners to attach the spruce correctly, including accurate weighing of plaster and water, mixing the plaster correctly, using vacuum equipment to remove air, filling the flask and vacuum, and preparing the metal according to the type and form of metal used.

It will be acceptable in this outcome for the learner to describe knowledge and understanding of the investment process.

F3Y5 35 Lost wax casting: advanced (mandatory)

Outcome 3 — Make repeat castings from the master pattern

Outcome 3 requires learners to invest the five models in plaster.

It will be acceptable in this Outcome for the learner to describe knowledge and understanding of the investment process.

F3XW 35 Experimental enamelling techniques (optional)

Outcome 1 — Evaluate experimental enamelling techniques

Outcome 1 requires the learner to explain the context in which each of the techniques was developed. The explanation must include the historical, social and technological context.

It will be acceptable for the learner to explain the context in which each of the techniques was developed without reference to the historical, social and technological context.

SQA will continue to publish updated subject-specific guidance on the web page for HNC Jewellery and HND Jewellery as it becomes available.

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