



# NQ verification 2022–23 round 2

## Qualification verification summary report

### Section 1: verification group information

Verification group name:	Fashion and Textile Technology
Verification activity:	Visit
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### National Course components and/or National Units verified

Course code	Course level	Course title
C828 75	National 5	Fashion and Textile Technology — Practical Activity
C828 76	Higher	Fashion and Textile Technology — Practical Activity

### Section 2: comments on assessment

#### Assessment approaches

- ◆ Most centres correctly manufactured items which met the national standard of eight construction techniques, with a minimum of two techniques from the higher tariff columns.
- ◆ Most centres provided candidates with varying degrees of personalisation in either the choices of fabric, or method of decoration or embellishment.
- ◆ Centres are encouraged to allow some personalisation and choice, even if candidates are manufacturing the same items.
- ◆ Where there was difficulty with the assessment approach it was due to centres limiting candidates' marks by trying to make techniques add to 28 at National 5 or 30 at Higher, rather than marking the eight highest tariff techniques.

#### Assessment judgements

Most centres were marking to the national standard and correctly judging the mark to be awarded for each technique.

Some centres found marking of top stitching difficult — centres are reminded that if a pocket is stitched on with one line of stitching, then this is not top stitching, as the pocket would not be functional without this stitching. If a second line of stitching was added to the pocket, then this would count as top stitching. Similarly, a neck facing, which is designed to be stitched at the shoulder seams but is stitched all the way round, would be described as top stitched.

### **Section 3: general comments**

A total of 12 centres were verified, and all found the experience to be beneficial, and welcomed the opportunity to discuss the practical activity with verifiers. Most were well organised for the visit, with candidates work, marking grids and internal verification evidence available for the visiting verifier.

Marks should be shown in the marking grid for all eight techniques, with the highest tariff technique being shown first and subsequent techniques being listed in descending order. Candidates should be given the opportunity to demonstrate techniques which exceed the maximum marks available but cannot be awarded more than 28 marks for National 5, or 30 marks for Higher level for this section.

A few centres were praised for their excellent use of photographs (taken by candidates), which provided a good record of progress throughout the manufacture of the item.

Visiting verifiers consistently remarked on the high quality of items being manufactured, with many centres using the SQA exemplified patterns.