

# A guide to Level 2 Fashion & Textiles

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## **What are the aims of the qualification?**

This apprenticeship covers the manufacture and production of clothing. The apprentice will learn the skills required to design and make the sample then onto production. The qualification is a Level 2 NVQ in Manufacturing Sewn Products and a Certificate in Apparel, Footwear and Leather Production as the Technical Certificate.

## **What are the units of the 'Main' qualification?**

### **Mandatory Units**

Unit 1 Health, safety and security at work  
Unit 2 Maintaining the work area for manufacturing sewn products

### **Optional Units (Choose 2 from the below)**

Unit 3 Maintain the quality of production working with textiles, leather and materials  
Unit 4 Cutting materials for manufacturing sewn products  
Unit 5 Carry out the sewing process  
Unit 6 Carry out the tape sealing process in the production of clothing and related items  
Unit 7 Carry out hand pressing in the sewing process  
Unit 8 Dyeing Fabric  
Unit 9 Dyeing sewn garments  
Unit 10 Rotary Fabric Printing  
Unit 11 Screen printing individual items/garments  
Unit 12 Carry out textile manufacturing operations

## **What are the units of the 'Technical' qualification?**

### **Mandatory Units**

Unit 1 Introduction and History of the Apparel, Footwear and Leather Industry  
Unit 2 Understanding Health & Safety and associated Employer Rights and Responsibilities within the Apparel, Footwear and Leather Industry.  
Unit 3 Developing Working Relationships  
Unit 4 Maintain Quality Standards in Apparel, Footwear and Leather Production

### **Optional Units**

Unit 1 Apparel  
Unit 2 Footwear  
Unit 3 Leather  
Unit 4 Textile

## **How does it work?**

An apprenticeship is a worked based training programme which comprises of a suite of qualifications. Apprenticeships have been specially designed by industry for industry in order to address the employer needs. There are three main elements that make up the apprenticeship framework. Modules within this qualification can be selected to ensure that the Apprenticeship qualifications are relevant to the needs of the business.

## **How is the apprenticeship delivered?**

The delivery of the Apprenticeship can be flexible to fit the needs of your business. Much of the training will be undertaken 'on the job' and the apprentice will be assessed within the workplace. The tuition element can be delivered at Plymouth College of Art or on the premises depending on requirements.

## **How long will it take?**

Each candidate will be assessed on an individual basis and a completion date agreed with an action plan for the assessment process. The length of time from start to completion will vary for each individual depending on their work load and ability to evidence their portfolio of work. It is envisaged that these qualifications would be delivered on a rolling basis and will take between 15 to 24 months to complete.

## **What support is given?**

The learner will have a review meeting every 12 weeks to monitor progress. If the learner is experiencing difficulties in completing the qualification, additional support can be provided. The employer will also be involved on the review process.

## **Are you eligible?**

The programme falls into two funding categories 16 to 18 year olds and 19 to 24 year olds. The learner must not hold a higher qualification than the level they are studying for.

## **How much is it going to cost?**

The employer is responsible for the apprentice salary. Wages must meet the National Minimum Wage of £95 per week. Funding is available to support the cost of training and this will come directly to the training provider.

## **What's the next step?**

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