

Select, prepare and apply veneers

Overview

The standard covers the skills and knowledge required to select, prepare and apply veneers to items of furniture. It covers cutting, measuring and jointing veneers.

Performance criteria

You must be able to:

1. comply with health and safety requirements and procedures at all times
2. obtain specifications and requirements following standard operating procedures
3. obtain equipment and materials required to carry out the job following standard operating procedures
4. check equipment is set up correctly and in good working order following standard operating procedures and any manufacturer's instructions
5. check all materials required are to specification and free from faults following standard operating procedures
6. check grain structure, shade and direction following standard operating procedures
7. measure, mark out and cut veneers within the specified tolerances to meet specifications
8. minimise waste in cutting following standard operating procedures
9. handle veneers in ways that avoid damage following standard operating procedures
10. transfer surplus veneers to designated storage locations following standard operating procedures
11. joint veneers ensuring edges are correctly aligned and jointed to required tolerances, without distortion of veneers to meet specifications
12. prepare surfaces to receive veneers, making sure they are free of irregularities, defects, dust and debris following standard operating procedures
13. prepare and apply adhesives following manufacturers' instructions and standard operating procedures
14. press veneers to meet specifications following standard operating procedures
15. trim, cut and finish veneered panels to meet specifications
16. pass onto next process following standard operating procedures

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

1. relevant health and safety responsibilities
2. meaning of terms used in specifications
3. how to check equipment is set up and is in good working order
4. how to check materials and the common faults that can occur
5. handling characteristics of veneers and how to protect them from damage during cutting and storage
6. consequences of inaccurate measuring and cutting
7. handling characteristics and effects of pressing different types of veneers

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