

## **SEG Awards Level 1 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles – 500/4330/4**

### **Overview**

Skills and Education Group Awards is the leading Awarding Organisation for Sewing and Textiles and Footwear and Leather vocational qualifications. UKFT supports all these qualifications as providing the skills required for this industry.

This qualification is part of a suite of Level 1 Fashion and Textiles vocational qualifications which have been developed with the primary aim of enabling you to acquire the depth of skills and underpinning knowledge to support progress into further education/training or employment within the fashion and textile Industries. Aspects that are covered range from pattern and garment construction, using industrial sewing equipment.

### **Benefits for employees**

Undertaking this qualification allows you to:

- > undertake a flexible vocational learning route into a wide variety of job roles within the fashion and textiles industry and into higher levels of training and education
- > develop knowledge related to the fashion and textiles industries
- > develop skills in fashion and textiles
- > develop your own personal growth and engagement in learning
- > achieve a nationally recognised Level 1 qualification that is vocationally focused

### **Who is this qualification for?**

The SEG Awards Level 1 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles enable 14+ learners to access bite sized vocationally relevant programmes of accredited learning.

There are no formal qualification requirements for entry onto the Level 1 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles.

Skills and Education Group Awards expects approved centres to recruit with integrity on the basis of a learner's ability to contribute to and successfully complete all the requirements of a unit(s) or the full qualification.

## What does the qualification cover?

You will cover aspects of:

- > Design principles in the fashion and textiles industry
- > Soft furnishing
- > Surface patterning
- > Garment construction (Industrial)
- > Pattern construction
- > Garment construction (Craft)
- > Upholstery
- > Soft toy making
- > Fashion design: illustration techniques
- > Industrial sewing operations
- > Inspection of finished sewn products
- > Using industrial sewing machinery
- > Fabric inspection
- > Fabric laying
- > Principles of fabric cutting
- > Hand pressing of sewn products
- > Introduction to finishing procedures for sewn products
- > Quality control of a sewn product
- > Industrial apparel machine maintenance
- > Health and safety in a workshop

This 24 credit qualification has a selection of units ranging from 3 credits, 4 credits, 6 credits, 9 credits and a 10 credit unit. All are vocational and relate to the sector in the title. This qualification is 100% vocational in its content.

The Certificate provides you to make bite sized developmental progression at Level 1. The qualification offers you a flexible bank of units that can be tailored into specialised learning packages in areas of interest that deliver an introduction to particular sectors within the fashion and textiles sector (at Level 1) and providing an overview of potential occupations and job roles.

The content of the qualification will support you to develop and expand your fashion and textiles skills, knowledge and understanding, at level 1.

In addition, this qualification as part of the Award/Certificate/Diploma Fashion and Textiles suite which are utilised and defined as pre-Apprenticeship qualifications for entry onto the Intermediate Apprenticeship in Fashion and Textiles.

## Assessment

You will produce a portfolio of evidence for example, observations, witness statements, group discussion observation sheets, case studies, reports/notes.

## What could this qualification lead to?

### **Will the qualification lead to employment, and if so, in which job role and at what level?**

The development of your knowledge, understanding and skills through tailored learning within the Level 1 Award in Fashion and Textiles enables you as an individual to enter into employment and in conjunction with further learning (e.g. an Apprenticeship) work at Level 2 in the following roles:

- > Cloth Cutter
- > Sewing Machinist
- > Tape Sealer
- > Hand Presser
- > Quality Control Inspector
- > Clothing Presser
- > Dressmaker
- > Clothing Sewing Machinist
- > Leather Craftworker
- > Leather goods Service Operative
- > Cutter
- > Pattern Cutter
- > Product Tester
- > Textile operative
- > Sewing Machinist
- > Knitter
- > Product Tester
- > Footwear Manufacturing Operative
- > Footwear Service Operative
- > Leather Tanner
- > Leather Trimmer/Finisher

Centres should be aware that Reasonable Adjustments, which may be permitted for assessment, may in some instances limit a learner's progression into the sector. Centres must, therefore, inform learners of any limits their learning difficulty may impose on future progression.

## **Will the qualification lead to further learning?**

Successful achievement of the SEG Awards Level 1 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles provides an introduction and a steppingstone to further specific training and skills development in either apprenticeships or other forms of further education.

### **Further work-based learning**

- > SEG Awards Level 2 Award/Certificate/Diploma in Fashion and Textiles
- > SEG Awards Level 2 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles Production
- > SEG Awards Level 3 Award/Certificate/Diploma in Fashion and Textiles

### **Further Education progression**

- > SEG Awards Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Manufacturing Textile and Sewn Products
- > SEG Awards Level 2 Certificate in Footwear and Leather
- > Intermediate Apprenticeship in Fashion and Textiles

## **If there are larger and/or smaller versions of this qualification at the same Level, why should a learner take this particular one?**

The Level 1 Certificate in Fashion and Textiles is part of a larger suite of Fashion and Textiles qualifications: Level 1 Award/Certificate/Diploma in Fashion and Textiles.

The qualification offers learners a flexible bank of units that can be tailored into specialised learning packages in areas of interest that deliver an introduction to the fashion and textiles industry and provide an overview of potential occupations and job roles. This Certificate allows you to develop across a broader area depending on your specific needs and interests. Having qualifications of various sizes within the suite provides you opportunities to add further units at a later stage, as a progression route to another size (e.g. Level 1 Diploma in Fashion and Textiles) or level (Level 2 Certificate/Diploma in Fashion and Textiles) of qualification for progression to other qualifications. The different size qualifications add depth and breadth to the specialism being studied without duplicating the learning covered by each qualification.

It is hoped that learners who successfully complete this qualification can move forward with increased confidence into further training.



## Further Information

Further information on the qualification can be found on the Skills and Education Group Awards website.