

Purpose Statement

ABC Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textile Production (500/6576/2)

ABC Awards is at the forefront of developments within the fashion and textiles sector and has a suite of vocational qualifications from Level 1 to Level 4 which reflect the skills that employers and providers are looking for. Aspects that are covered range from pattern and grading technology, tailoring, garment technology, pattern production and so much more. By undertaking the ABC Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textile Production you have the opportunity to gain an understanding and appreciation of the skills required to work in this exciting and fast paced industry, along with the knowledge and experience to excel.

Overview

The ABC Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textiles Production is a knowledge based qualification for adults and young people (16+) who require an opportunity through educational and vocational means, to provide the currency to enter further qualifications and enhance career progression.

Who is this qualification for?

This qualification is designed for those of you who are working, or want to work, in the fashion and textile industry producing apparel, footwear or leather goods. It provides you with the opportunity to develop your work-based industry specific knowledge at Level 2, to support progression into higher levels of learning, to improve your performance at work and increase future employment prospects.

This qualification is suitable for you if you are a mature, semi-experienced employee. By completing this qualification outside of an apprenticeship, it will ensure recognition of your industrial knowledge at Level 2. As an existing employee, your employer may also use the qualification to upskill you and address any skills gaps they may have within their businesses, ensuring that processes and technological practices are up-to-date and their skills base remains world class.

As the sector has an ageing demographics and in order to attract young individuals into the industry an Apprenticeship framework was developed – Intermediate Apprenticeship – Fashion and Textiles (pathways: leather goods/footwear/leather production/saddlery). The ABC Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textiles Production was included within the Apprenticeship framework, along with the Level 2 Certificate in Footwear and, Leather (NVQ) competence qualification. Both components of the framework form the foundation of work-based learning for any future career developments within the industry.

Taking the qualification within an Apprenticeship is for you if you are new to the sector or are looking to develop footwear and leather work-related skills and knowledge.

You do not need a formal qualification for entry onto the Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textile Production. However, to fully benefit from this qualification at level 2, you may find it advisable to have some prior knowledge and understanding of fashion and textiles qualification examples could include

- ABC Awards Level 1/2 Fashion and Textiles qualifications
- C& G Level 1 Awards/Certificates in Textiles
- Pearson BTEC Level 1 Diploma in Fashion and Clothing

What does this qualification cover?

This 20 credit qualification has four mandatory units: one 1 credit unit, one 2 credit unit and two 3 credit units. The remaining credit is achieved through the optional pathways from a choice of 4 -6 credit units. The qualification is 100% vocational learning that supports progression.

You will cover aspects of an introduction and history of the industry, understanding health and safety and associated employment rights and responsibilities, developing working relationships and maintaining quality standards.

The additional choice of topics from one pathway of the optional units will support your technical knowledge and skills development in your particular career choice, for example:

Apparel – apparel manufacturing techniques – production process, sewing and making up operations and the materials used.

Footwear - footwear manufacturing techniques – production of uppers, lasting and making processes and the materials used

Leather - leathers used in the manufacture of leather goods, non-leather materials, and leather goods manufacturing techniques – cutting, sewing and finishing operations.

Textiles- materials and processes used in the manufacture of textile products and textile manufacturing techniques.

You will produce a portfolio of evidence for example; observations, witness statements, photographs and products produced.

What could this qualification lead to?

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

Successful completion of the Level 2 Certificate will not lead directly into employment but may assist entry into the Intermediate Apprenticeship in Fashion and Textiles as this qualification is the knowledge component. Career developments into the following job roles may be possible:

- 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

Will the qualification lead to further learning?

Successful achievement of the ABC Level 2 Certificate in Apparel, Footwear, Leather or Textiles Production provides you with a sound preparation for further vocational training in either apprenticeships or other forms of further education.

Further work based learning

- ABC Level 2 Certificate in Footwear and Leather (NVQ)
- Intermediate Apprenticeship in Fashion and Textiles
- Advanced Apprenticeship in Fashion and Textiles
- ABC Level 3 Certificate in Footwear and Leather (NVQ)

Further Education progression

- ABC Awards Level 3 Award/Certificate/Diploma in Fashion and Textiles
- Advanced Diploma in Manufacturing and Product Design
- Edexcel BTEC Level 3 Textile qualifications

Who supports this qualification?

Further and Higher Education

Further Education Colleges offering higher level provision who support and offer this qualification can be found on our website.

Further Information

Further information on the qualification can be found at <http://www.abcawards.co.uk>