



# **NATIONAL COMPETENCY STANDARDS**

# **FOR**

# **CABINET MAKER LEVEL III**

A COMPETENCY STANDARD DEVELOPED FOR THE LAO NATIONAL VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

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#### LAO NATIONAL VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK

The Lao National Vocational Qualification Framework (LNVQF) establishes the system in the development and implementation of national standards, institutional arrangements and processes relating to quality assurance, assessment and the award of qualifications in technical –vocational education and training. The Lao National Vocational Qualification Framework classifies qualifications according to set criteria for specific levels of learning achieved, which aim to integrate and coordinate national qualifications sub-systems and improve the transparency, access, progression and quality of qualifications in relation to the labor market and civil society. The framework establishes the use of Competency Standards in the undertaking of technical – vocational education and training.

The Competency Standards serves as basis for the development of other components of the qualification framework as follows:

- 1. Development of competency based curriculum;
- 2. Development of modular competency –based learning package;
- 3. Development of competency based assessment tools and instruments;
- 4. Competency assessment and certification;
- 5. Registration and accreditation of newly developed technical –vocational courses and their respective levels of qualifications to the technical vocational education and training Authority.

## CABINET MAKER

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#### LAO QUALIFICATION LEVELS AND DESCRIPTORS

The Lao Qualification (LQ) Levels is a vital part of LNVQF's quality assurance system in standardizing the classification of job qualifications across all occupations where a competency standard has to be developed for the purpose of education and employment.

LQ Levels indicate the quantity and coverage of competencies an individual has to successfully demonstrate in order to receive a national certification or a professional recognition. The qualifications are titled by their alpha – numerical levels and give distinction to each unit of competency.

The level of qualification is defined based on the following criteria:

Qualification Level	Descriptors
LQ 5 (Advance Diploma)	Can translate engineering designs and concepts into practical actions; supervise the skilled workers and perform work programming, calculations, and fine tuning of systems, work processes and equipment; ensure implementation of quality assurance.
LQ 4 (Diploma)	Can supervise the routine work of others; responsible for evaluation and improvement of work processes; analyse and troubleshoots occurring work problems; Perform a whole range of work at high level of competence including those involving technical decision-making, limited interpretation and execution of plans and work designs. Operates programmed or computerized production equipment.
LQ 3 (Level III)	Can perform complicated fabrication work using complex or multi- functional equipment; can work on jobs requiring minimal tolerance; responsible for the entrusted equipment; can solve work problems using basic methods, tools materials and information.
LQ 2 (Level II)	Can operate simple or basic machines and equipment; interpret and make simple sketches or diagrams and perform repetitive tasks.  Can perform simple mathematical operations, calculations, estimates and do preventive maintenance on equipment and housekeeping.
LQ 1 (Level I)	Can apply basic factual information and skills to perform simple tasks requiring close supervision.

#### **COMPOSITION OF A COMPETENCY STANDARD**

The Competency Standard is a written specification of job performance determined by industry experts and developed together with institutional experts that identified the skills, knowledge and attitudes essential for the successful performance of the job<sup>1</sup>. The Competency Standard contains the following components and descriptions:

Basic Competency	Is a work competency that is classified as non-technical skills but is very necessary in the successful performance of any work since it is manifested by core behaviors and abilities that determine the effective and efficient outcome of work. These competencies forms part of the competency standards and their degree of application could vary depending on the work role <sup>2</sup> . A basic competency is a competency used across all trade or occupational areas.
Common Competency	Is a work competency common to one trade or occupational areas. A common competency can be either technical or non-technical knowledge, skills and attitude but is very necessary in the successful performance of any work since it is manifested by core behaviors and abilities that determine the effective and efficient outcome of work
Core Competency	The core technical knowledge, skills and attitude that a person must possess in order to perform a job effectively with respect to expected outcome at an acceptable time and degree of quality. Core competencies are described and linked to industry-based competency standards and they play a different role in the overall way a person applies their skills and knowledge in work or other roles <sup>3</sup> .
Unit of Competency	A statement that refers to the relevant unit of competency necessary to perform a given tasks. It is stated in terms of outcome. Each unit is a building block of the competency standard specifying the elements, performance criteria, range of variable and evidence guide.
Unit Code⁴	Represents the unit of competency in alpha-numeric form from amongst the different unit of competencies of the trade or occupational areas.
Unit Descriptor	Describes the scope of the unit of competency in terms of knowledge, skills and attitudes. It is an expansion of the Unit Title which states the general application of skills and knowledge and attitude on the job.
Element of Competency	Is the building block of a unit of competency which describes the key aspects of the job a person must be able to do relative to his role or function.
Performance Criteria	Are evaluative statements specifying the performance standards to be achieved and linked to assessment procedures.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Manual on Competency Standard Setting, STVET Project

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>These competencies are not a technical description of specific work but are more like underpinning abilities that an individual applies when working effectively and efficiently. Generic Employability Skills, Draft Regional Model Competency Standards, ILO 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Generic Employability Skills, Draft Regional Model Competency Standards, ILO 2010.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Unit Code used in basic, common and core competencies in this manual are just a proposal and not yet final.

#### COMPETENCY STANDARD FOR CABINET MAKER - LEVEL III

#### QUALIFICATION DESCRIPTOR

#### Lao Qualification Level III

A person that has a Lao Qualification 3 (LQ 3) Level III can perform complicated fabrication work using complex or multi-functional equipment; can work on jobs requiring minimal tolerance; responsible for the entrusted equipment; can solve work problems using basic methods, tools materials and information.

Level III is the third level of the national competency qualification for a furniture maker in the furniture making industry. This consists of competencies that a person must achieve in order to perform the competencies of a Cabinet Maker.

A person who has achieved this qualification is competent to be a:

- 1. Cabinet Maker
- 2. Wood working machine operator

In particular, a person with a Certificate Level III Qualification has core competencies in:

- 1. Producing components of the cabinet
- 2. Assembling the cabinet
- 3. Processing surface of the cabinet

#### TRAINEE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

A person who would like to attend the competency training and assessment in LQ 3 (Level III) must satisfy the following criteria:

- 1. A graduate of a Certificate 9 program or has at least one (1) year of work and/or technical experience in a public or private company.
- 2. Has completed Window Maker Level II or Table Maker Level II
- 3. Able to communicate orally and in writing.
- 4. Proficient in verbal reasoning.
- 5. Physically fit

#### TRAINER REQUIREMENT:

A Trainer who will conduct Level III training must be a certified Trainer Qualification II Trainer or a certified Cabinet Maker Level IV with at least two (2) years experience as a TVET or industry trainer.

# UNIT OF COMPETENCIES CABINET MAKER LEVEL III

# **Basic Competency**

Unit Code	Basic Competencies		
742.7422.031.001.01	Prepare work plan		
742.7422.031.002.01	Participate in workplace communication		
742.7422.031.003.01	Use mathematical concepts and techniques		
742.7422.031.004.01	Work in a team environment		
742.7422.031.005.01	Apply gender and social equity principles and policies		

# **Common Competency**

Unit Code	Common Competencies
742.7422.032.006.01	Interpret technical drawings and plans
742.7422.032.007.01	Perform measurement and calculation
742.7422.032.008.01	Use tools, equipment and machines
742.7422.032.009.01	Apply quality standards

# **Core Competency**

Unit Code	Core Competencies
742.7422.033.010.01	Produce components of the cabinet
742.7422.033.011.01	Assemble the cabinet
742.7422.033.012.01	Process surface of the cabinet

#### **BASIC COMPETENCIES**

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Prepare a work plan

UNIT DESCIRPTOR: This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required in

preparing a work plan to calculate manpower, raw materials

and sketch basic drawing.

UNIT CODE: **742.7422.031.001.01.01** 

	ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
	Calculate manpower equirement	1.1	<b>Scope of production work</b> and amount of time to produce the product are determined
		1.2	Number of manpower needed to complete the productare enumerated
		1.3	Amount of labor cost is computed using Microsoft windows excel software
2. C	Calculate materials and	2.1	Materials and supplies are identified and listed
S	supplies required	2.2	Sizes and quantity of materials are calculated and computed
		2.3	Quality of materials and supplies are classified according to product specifications
3. S	Sketch drawings	3.1	Isometric view of the product design is drawn to determine required materials and supplies
		3.2	Freehand drawing of orthographic views of the product is produced with corresponding <i>specifications</i>
		3.3	Technical data such as dimensions, signs and symbols are drawn according to classification or appropriate specification of materials

VARIABLE	RANGE
Scope of production work	1.1 Production of parts and components
	1.1.1 Cutting
	1.1.2 Planing
	1.1.3 Shaping
	1.1.4 Milling
	1.1.5 Forming
	1.1.6 Moulding
	1.2 Assemble parts and components
	1.2.1 Joineries
	1.2.2 Test assembling of parts
	1.2.3 Test assembling of components
	1.2.4 Test assembling the cabinet
	1.3 Process work surface
	1.3.1 Sanding
	1.3.2 Polishing
2. Materials and supplies	2.1 Production of parts and components
	2.1.1 Workbench
	2.1.2 Wood
	2.1.3 Sand paper
	2.1.4 Saw blade
	2.1.5 Nail
	2.1.6 Glue
	2.1.7 Screw
	2.1.8 Bolt and nut
	2.1.9 Hinge
	2.1.10 Lock and catch for door panel and drawer
	2.2 Processing of wood surface
	2.2.1 Wood putty
	2.2.2 Paint
	2.2.3 Paint remover
	2.2.4 Filler
	2.2.5 Stain 2.2.6 Lacquer thinner
	2.2.7 Polishing cream
	2.2.8 Mask
	2.2.9 Brush
	2.2.10 Rag

3. Sizes and quantity	May include but not limited to:
	3.1 Dimensions of wood by millimeter, centimeter and meter
	3.2 Liquid materials and supplies by can, bottle, ounce and Millilitre
	3.3 Solid materials and supplies by pieces or kilograms
4. Specifications	4.1 Dimensions of furniture parts are indicated
	4.2 Symbols for type of wood
	4.3 Color of the product is indicated
	4.4 Specification of paints and lacquers
	4.5 Surface finishing is specified

Critical aspects of competency	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:
	1.1 Listed the scope of work required to produce the product based on a timeline
	1.2 Listed the materials and supplies according to quantity and job requirements of producing the product
	1.3 Sketched isometric and orthographic views of the product with dimensions and basic specifications
Underpinning Knowledge and Attitude	2.1 Types of materials and supplies used to produce the product
	2.2 Types of softwood and hardwood
	2.3 Kinds of production work in furniture making
	2.4 Types of tools, equipment and machines
	2.6 Technical drawing
	2.7 Types of paint and mixtures
3. Underpinning Skills	3.1. Estimating quantity of materials and supplies
	3.2. Preparing calculation of labor cost
	3.3. Sketching isometric and orthographic drawings
	3.4. Using Microsoft excel in computing cost
4. Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided:
	4.1. Workplace location
	4.2. Materials and supplies relevant to the unit of competency
	4.3. Technical plans, drawings and specifications relevant to activities
5. Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:
	5.1. Direct observation
	5.2. Interview
	5.3. Test related to underpinning skills
6. Context for Assessment	6.1. Competency may be assessed in the workplace or in a simulated workplace

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Participate in workplace communication

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required to gather, interpret and convey information in response to UNIT DESCIRPTOR:

workplace requirements.

**UNIT CODE:** 742.7422.031.002.01.01

	ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
1.	Obtain and convey workplace information	1.1	Specific and relevant information is accessed from appropriate sources
		1.2	Effective questioning, active listening and speaking skills are used to gather and convey information
		1.3	Appropriate <i>medium</i> is used to transfer information and ideas
		1.4	Appropriate non - verbal communication is used
		1.5	Appropriate lines of communication with supervisors and colleagues are identified and followed
		1.6	Defined workplace procedures for the location and storage of information are used
		1.7	Personal interaction is carried out clearly and concisely
2.	Participate in workplace	2.1	Team meetings are attended on time
	meetings and discussions	2.2	Own opinions are clearly expressed and those of others are listened to without interruption
		2.3	Meeting inputs are consistent with the meeting purpose and established <i>protocols</i>
		2.4	Workplace interactions are conducted in a courteous manner
		2.5	Questions about simple routine workplace procedures and maters concerning working conditions of employment are asked and responded to
		2.6	Meetings outcomes are interpreted and implemented
3.	Complete relevant work related documents	3.1	Range of <i>forms</i> relating to conditions of employment are completed accurately and legibly
		3.2	Workplace data is recorded on standard workplace forms and documents
		3.3	Basic mathematical processes are used for routine calculations
		3.4	Errors in recording information on forms/ documents are identified and properly acted upon
		3.5	Reporting requirements to supervisor are completed according to organizational guidelines

VARIABLE	RANGE
Appropriate sources	1.1 Team members
	1.2 Suppliers
	1.3 Trade personnel
	1.4 Local government
	1.5 Industry bodies
2. Medium	2.1 Memorandum
	2.2 Circular
	2.3 Notice
	2.4 Information discussion
	2.5 Follow-up or verbal instructions
	2.6 Face to face communication
3. Storage	3.1 Manual filing system
	3.2 Computer-based filing system
4. Forms	4.1 Personnel forms
	4.2 Telephone message forms
	4.3 Safety report forms
5. Workplace interactions	5.1 Face to face
	5.2 Telephone
	5.3 Electronic and two way radio
	5.4 Written instructions including electronic, memos, instruction and forms, non-verbal including gestures, signals, signs and diagrams
6. Protocols	6.1 Observing meeting
	6.2 Compliance with meeting decisions
	6.3 Obeying meeting instructions

1. C	Critical aspects of	Asse	ssment requires evidence that the candidate:
С	competency	1.1	Prepared written communication following standard format of the organization
		1.2	Accessed information using communication equipment
		1.3	Made use of relevant terms as an aid to transfer information effectively
		1.4	Conveyed information effectively adopting the formal or informal communication
2. L	Jnderpinning Knowledge	2.1	Effective communication
а	and Attitude	2.2	Different modes of communication
		2.3	Written communication
		2.4	Organizational policies
		2.5	Communication procedures and systems
		2.6	Technology relevant to the enterprise and the individual's work responsibilities
3. L	Inderpinning Skills	3.1	Follow simple spoken language
		3.2	Perform routine workplace duties following simple written notices
		3.3	Participate in workplace meetings and discussions
		3.4	Complete work related documents
		3.5	Estimate, calculate and record routine workplace measures
		3.6	Basic mathematical processes of addition, subtraction, division and multiplication
		3.7	Ability to relate to people of social range in the workplace
		3.8	Gather and provide information in response to workplace requirements
4. F	Resource Implications	The	following resources must be provided:
	·	4.1	Fax machine
		4.2	Telephone
		4.3	Writing materials
		4.4	Internet
5. N	Method of Assessment	Com	petency may be assess through:
		5.1	Direct Observation
		5.2	Oral interview and written test
6. C	Context for Assessment		Competency may be assessed individually in the actual workplace or through accredited institution

Use mathematical concepts and techniques UNIT OF COMPETENCY:

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required in the application of mathematical concepts and techniques. UNITDESCIRPTOR:

UNIT CODE: 742.7422.031.003.01.01

ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
Identify mathematical tools and techniques to solve problem	1.1 1.2	Problem areas are identified based on given condition  Mathematical techniques are selected based on the given problem		
Apply mathematical procedure and solution	2.1	Mathematical techniques are applied based on the problem identified  Mathematical computations are performed to the level of accuracy required for the problem		
	2.3	Results of mathematical computation is determined and verified based on job requirements		
3. Analyze results	3.1	Result of application is reviewed based on expected and required specifications and out come		
	3.2	Appropriate action is applied in case of error		

VARIABLE	RANGE	
Mathematical techniques	May include but not limited to:	
	1.1 Four fundamental operations	
	1.2 Measurements	
	1.3 Use and conversion of units of measurements	
	1.4 Use of standard formulas	
2. Appropriate action	May include but not limited to:	
	2.1 Review in the use of mathematical techniques	
	2.2 Report error to immediate superior for proper action	

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Critical aspects of	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:
competency	1.1 Identified, applied and reviewed the use of mathematical concepts and techniques to workplace problems
Underpinning Knowledge and Attitude	2.1 Fundamental operation (addition, subtraction, division, multiplication)
	2.2 Measurement system
	2.3 Precision and accuracy
	2.4 Basic measuring tools and devices
3. Underpinning Skills	3.1 Applying mathematical computations
	3.2 Using calculator
	3.3 Using different measuring tools
Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided:
	4.1 Calculator
	4.2 Basic measuring tools
	4.3 Case Problems
5. Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:
	5.1 Authenticated portfolio
	5.2 Written Test
	5.3 Interview or Oral Questioning
	5.4 Demonstration
6. Context for Assessment	6.1 Competency may be assessed in the work place or in a simulated work place setting

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Work in a team environment

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude to identify role and responsibility as a member of a team. UNITDESCIRPTOR:

UNIT CODE: 742.7422.031.004.01.01

ELEME	ENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Describe team scope	n role and	1.1	The <b>role and objective of the team</b> is identified from available <b>sources of information</b>
		1.2	Team parameters, reporting relationships and responsibilities are identified from team discussions and appropriate external sources
Identify own responsibility		2.1	Individual role and responsibilities within the team environment are identified
		2.2	Roles and responsibility of other team members are identified and recognized
		2.3	Reporting relationships within team and external to team are identified
3. Work as a tea	nm member	3.1	Effective and appropriate forms of communications used and interactions undertaken with team members who contribute to known team activities and objectives
		3.2	Effective and appropriate contributions made to complement team activities and objectives, based on individual skills and competencies and <i>workplace context</i>
		3.3	Observed protocols in reporting using standard operating procedures
		3.4	Contribute to the development of team work plans based on an understanding of team's role and objectives and individual competencies of the members

VARIABLE		RANGE
Role and objective of team	1.1	Work activities in a team environment with enterprise or specific sector
	1.2	Limited discretion, initiative and judgment maybe demonstrated on the job, either individually or in a team environment
2. Sources of information	2.1	Standard operating and/or other workplace procedures
	2.2	Job procedures
	2.3	Machine/equipment manufacturer's specifications and instructions
	2.4	Organizational or external personnel
	2.5	Client/supplier instructions
	2.6	Quality standards
	2.7	OHS and environmental standards
Workplace context	3.1	Work procedures and practices
	3.2	Conditions of work environments
	3.3	Legislation and industrial agreements
	3.4	Standard work practice including the storage, safe handling and disposal of chemicals
	3.5	Safety, environmental, housekeeping and quality guidelines

Critical a compete	-	Asses 1.1 1.2 1.3 1.4 1.5 1.6	Operated in a team to complete workplace activity Worked effectively with others Conveyed information in written or oral form Selected and used appropriate workplace language Followed designated work plan for the job Reported outcomes
Underpir and Attit	nning Knowledge ude	2.1 2.2 2.3 2.4	Communication process  Team structure  Team roles  Group planning and decision making
3. Underpir	nning Skills	3.1	Communicate appropriately, consistent with the culture of the workplace
4. Resourc	e Implications	The fo	ollowing resources must be provided:  Access to relevant workplace or appropriately simulated environment where assessment can take place  Materials relevant to the proposed activity or tasks
5. Method	of Assessment	5.1 5.2 5.3	Observation of the individual member in relation to the work activities of the group  Observation of simulation and or role play involving the participation of individual member to the attainment of organizational goal  Case studies and scenarios as a basis for discussion of issues and strategies in teamwork
6. Context	for Assessment	6.1	Competency may be assessed in workplace or in a simulated workplace setting  Assessment shall be observed while task are being undertaken whether individually or in group

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Apply gender and social equity principles and policies

UNIT DESCIRPTOR: This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitudes to apply

principles and policies on gender and social equity

contributing to positive and productive work environment. This deals with complying with gender and social equity guidelines in the workplace; promoting gender and social equity in the workplace; and recognizing and preventing gender abuse and

other forms of social inequities.

UNIT CODE: **742.7422.031.005.01.01** 

ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Follow guidelines or rules of conduct related to gender and social equity in the workplace	1.1	Workplace practices and work instructions relating to interacting with different social groups based on gender, ethnicity and disability are recognized and followed, and clarification is sought where necessary.	
	1.2	Relevant <i>legislation, codes and national standards</i> that impact on gender and social equity are recognized and followed.	
	1.3	Introduction of and amendments to guidelines in the work conduct related to gender and social fairness practices are responded to positively and promptly in accordance with organizational requirements.	
Contribute to improve workplace guidelines in promoting gender and social equity	2.1	<b>Suggestions</b> are made to <b>designated personnel</b> on how to improve social interaction and communication in the workplace to better promote gender and social equity	
	2.2	Information is gathered and improvements are suggested to help improve workplace guidelines and policies in promoting observing gender and social fairness.	
	2.3	<b>Gender and social equity issues</b> in the workplace practices are discussed in the workplace with colleagues and designated personnel.	
	2.4	Contributions to the review of workplace guidelines and policies gender and social equity guidelines and policies are made within limits of responsibility	

3.	Recognize and report
	suspected cases of gender
	and other forms of social
	inequity

- 3.1 **Signs and manifestations** of gender and social inequities and its impact in the workplace are recognized.
- 3.2 Information about or observations of a suspected problem related to gender and social inequity are *reported* to supervisors and appropriate authorities.
- 3.3 Location and extent of suspected gender and social inequities is accurately *recorded*.
- 3.4 Reports on the effect of gender and social inequities are completed according to organizational guidelines.

	VARIABLE		RANGE		
1.	Workplace practices and work instructions	May include but not limited to:			
		1.1	Social diversity awareness, recognition and analysis in the workplace		
		1.2	Use of gender fair and socially inclusive language in dealing with co-workers and students		
		1.3	Sexual harassment and bullying incident recording and reporting procedures		
		1.4	Verbal instructions from persons with responsibility related to gender and social equity awareness and sensitivity		
2.	Legislation, codes and national standards	2.1	Code of Conduct on sexual harassment in TVET institutions under MoES		
		2.2	National Strategy for the Advancement of Women, 2005-2010 (includes goals and programmes to promote Lao women's education, skill levels, income generating opportunities, among others		
		2.3	Lao PDR Law on Development and Protection of Women (Among others, aims to promote women's knowledge and competency, revolutionary morals and virtues, gender equality; seeks to eliminate all forms of discrimination against women; creates enabling conditions for women's participation; and for women to be equal force in national protection and development		
		2.4	Labor Law of Lao PDR, 1994 (Articles 2, 39 & 35)		
		2.5	Constitution of Lao PDR, 2003 (Articles 22, 24 & 27, statement on women of all ethnic groups should receive equal treatment in terms of legal rights, economic and social opportunities)		
		2.6	National obligations to international human rights conventions (Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW), 1981; Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC), 1990		

	VARIABLE		RANGE
3.	Suggestions	3.1	Be sensitive in terms of gender, ethnicity and disability in verbal and non-verbal communication
		3.2	Stop the repetition of sexist and discriminatory sex jokes
		3.3	Create and share jokes that are not told at the expense of different social groups
		3.4	Recognize the rights of different social groups i.e. women, different ethnic groups, the disabled to equal access to training and skills development, respectful treatment, etc.
4.	Designated personnel	4.1	School Administrator
		4.2	Head teacher
		4.3	Teacher and school staff designated as gender and social equity focal point
5.	Workplace guidelines and policies in promoting	5.1	Guiding workplace conduct against committing and reporting sexual harassment
	observing gender and social fairness	5.2	Using language that is sensitive in terms of gender, ethnicity and disability
		5.3	Information on personnel policies that are aligned with national and official policies and guidelines that uphold the rights of women, ethnic groups and the disabled
		5.4	Provision of separate and secure accommodations, toilets wash and resting areas for women, ethnic groups and disabled people
		5.5	The designation of a gender focal point among teachers, non-teaching staff and among student population.
6.	Gender and social equity	6.1	Sexual harassment
	issues	6.2	Bullying
		6.3	Voyeurism
		6.4	Different forms of gender-based violence
		6.5	Inappropriate and discriminatory language
		6.6	Sex jokes that are discriminatory against women, ethnic groups, disabled people
		6.7	Discrimination in the workplace

VARIABLE		RANGE
7. Signs or manifestations	7.1	Sub-standard performance, social withdrawal of affected group or individual
	7.2	Lack of motivation to advance or excel
	7.3	Absenteeism, intention to resign without reason
	7.4	Display of fear, nervous and seemingly irrational behavior of affected group in the presence of perpetuator
8. Reported	8.1	Verbally (face-to-face or through communication equipment)
	8.2	In writing (memo, notes, faxes, email or electronic messages)
	8.3	Witness or third party accounts
9. Recorded	9.1	Incident report
	9.2	Public petitions
	9.3	Close Circuit Television (CCTV) in the workplace

Critical aspects of	Asse	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:		
competency	1.1	Demonstrated knowledge of workplace practices and work instructions.		
	1.2	Described relevant legislations, codes and national standards related to gender and social equity issues in the workplace		
	1.3	Followed workplace practices, policies and guidelines related to gender and social equity		
	1.4	Contributed to improve workplace guidelines in promoting gender and social equity		
	1.5	Recognized and reported on suspected cases of gender and other forms of social inequity		
	1.6	Reported, recorded or became aware of the need to report and document lack of compliance with guidelines and policies on gender and social fairness in the workplace		
Underpinning Knowledge and Attitude	2.1	Relevant legislation from all levels of government on gender and other social equity issues involving ethnic groups and disability		
	2.2	Relevant gender and social equity official legislation, policies and workplace practices and procedures		
	2.3	Good practice approaches relevant to work area particularly in regard to observance of and compliance with guidelines and policies that uphold and promote gender and social equity.		
	2.4	Gender and other social equity issues, especially in regard to sexual harassment and gender and other discrimination in the workplace		
	2.5	Gender issues in TVET areas traditionally not associated with women		
	2.6	General work place practices and their potential impact on the gender and other dimensions of social equity.		

3.	Underpinning Skills	3.1	Discuss and explain gender and other social equity issues in TVET
		3.2	Communicate with co-workers and students in an inclusive manner that respects the rights of the different groups that constitute the workplace and the classroom
		3.3	Recognize signs and manifestations of sexual harassment and other forms of gender-based violence in the workplace and in the classroom
		3.4	Follow workplace directions and instructions
		3.5	Ability to report and document cases of sexual harassment and other forms of gender-based violence and violence directed at other disadvantaged groups
4.	Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided:	
		4.1	Basic sensitization workshop on gender and other social equity issues
		4.2	Legislation, policies, procedures, protocols and local ordinances relating to gender and social equity.
		4.3	Case studies and scenarios relating to the reporting and handling of cases of sexual harassment and other forms of gender-based violence
5.	Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:	
		5.1.	Written or oral Examination
		5.2.	Interview or Third Party Reports
		5.3.	Certificate of attendance in basic sensitization workshop on gender and other social equity issues
6.	Context for Assessment	6.1.	Competency may be assessed in the work place or in a simulated work place setting

#### **COMMON COMPETENCIES**

Interpret technical drawings and plans UNIT OF COMPETENCY:

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude in analyzing and interpreting technical drawings, symbols, data and work UNITDESCIRPTOR:

plan.

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ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Analyze signs, symbols and data	1.1	Technical plans are obtained according to job requirements
	1.2	Signs, symbols and data are identified according to job specifications
	1.3	Signs, symbols and data are determined according to classification or as appropriate in the <i>technical drawing</i>
Interpret technical drawings and plans	2.1	Necessary equipment, tools and materials are identified according to the work plan
	2.2	Supplies and materials are listed according to specifications
	2.3	Components, assemblies or objects are recognized as required
	2.4	Dimensions are identified as appropriate to the plan
	2.5	Specification details are matched with existing or available resources and in line with job requirements
	2.6	Work plan is drawn following the specifications
3. Apply freehand sketching	3.1	Freehand sketching of parts, components, views and joineries is produced as required by the job.
	3.2	Freehand sketch is prepared based on technical drawing standards.

VARIABLE	RANGE
1. Technical plans	May include but not limited to: 1.1 Blueprint 1.2 Technical drawing 1.3 Working drawings 1.4 Work plan
2. Technical drawing	May include but not limited to:  2.1 Drawing symbols  2.2 Alphabet of lines  2.3 Orthographic views  2.3.1 Front view  2.3.2 Right side view/left side view  2.3.3 Top view  2.3.4 Pictorial view  2.4 Schematic drawing
3. Tools and materials	May include but not limited to: 3.1 Compass 3.2 Divider 3.3 Rulers 3.4 Triangles 3.5 Drawing tables 3.6 Pencil 3.7 Drawing paper 3.8 Computer
4. Work plan	<ul><li>4.1 Job requirements</li><li>4.2 Installation instructions</li><li>4.3 Components instruction</li></ul>

competency  1.1 Identified and determined signs, symbols and data according to work plan, job requirements and classifications  1.2 Identified tools and equipment in accordance with job requirements  1.3 Listed supplies and materials according to blueprint specifications  1.4 Drawn work plan following specifications  1.5 Determined job specifications based on technical drawing and work plan  2. Underpinning Knowledge and Attitude  2.1 Trade Mathematics 2.1.1 Linear measurement 2.1.2 Dimension 2.1.3 Unit conversion  2.2 Blueprint Reading and Plan Specification 2.2.1 Electrical, mechanical plan, symbols and abbreviations 2.2.2 Drawing standard symbols  2.3 Trade Theory 2.3.1 Basic technical drawing 2.3.2 Types technical plans 2.3.3 Various types of drawings 2.3.4 Notes and specifications  3. Underpinning Skills  3.1 Interpreting drawing or orthographic drawing 3.2 Interpreting technical plans 3.3 Matching specification details with existing resources 3.4 Following instructions 3.5 Handling of drawing instruments  4. Resource Implications  The following resources should be provided: 4.1 Workplace 4.2 Drawings and specification relevant to trask 4.3 Materials and instrument relevant to proposed activity  5. Method of Assessment  Competency may be assess through: 5.1 Direct observation 5.2 Interview	Critical aspects of	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:	
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6. Context for Assessment	6.1	Competency may be assessed in the work place or in a simulated work place
	6.2	Assessment shall be observed while task are being undertaken whether individually or in group
	6.3	Competency assessment must be undertaken in accordance with the assessment guidelines

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Perform measurement and calculation

UNITDESCIRPTOR:

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude on identifying and measuring objects based on the required

performance standards.

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ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA	
Select measuring	1.1	Object or component to be measured is identified
instruments	1.2	Correct specifications are obtained from relevant sources
	1.3	Appropriate <i>measuring instrument</i> is selected according to job requirements
Carry out measurements and calculation	2.1	Measuring tools are selected in line with job requirements
	2.2	Accurate measurements are obtained as required on the job
	2.3	<b>Calculation</b> needed to complete work tasks are performed using the four basic process of addition (+), subtraction (-), multiplication (x) and division (/)
	2.4	Calculations involving fractions, percentages and mixed numbers are used to complete workplace tasks
	2.5	Numerical computation is self-checked and corrected for accuracy Instruments are read to the limit of accuracy of the tool
3. Maintain measuring	3.1	Measuring instruments must kept free from corrosion
instruments	3.2	Dropping of measuring instruments and devices are avoided in order not to incur damage
	3.3	Measuring instruments cleaned before and after using

VARIABLE	RANGE		
Measuring instruments	May include but not limited to:		
	1.1 Vernier caliper		
	1.2 Straight Edge		
	1.3 Try square		
	1.4 Divider		
	1.5 Measuring tape		
	1.6 Spring rule		
	1.7 Carpenter's rule		
	1.8 Plumb level		
	1.9 Torpedo level		
2. Calculations	May include but not limited to:		
	2.1 Area		
	2.2 Inside diameter		
	2.3 Circumference		
	2.4 Length		
	2.5 Depth		
	2.6 Thickness		
	2.7 Outside diameter		

Critical aspects of	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:	
competency	1.1 Selected measuring instruments	
	1.2 Carried-out measurements and calculations	
	1.3 Maintained measuring instruments	
2. Underpinning Knowledge	2.1 Types of measuring instruments and its uses	
and Attitude	2.2 Safe handling procedures in using measuring instruments	
	2.3 Four fundamental operation of mathematics	
	2.4 Formula for Volume, Area, Perimeter and other geometric figures	
3. Underpinning Skills	3.1 Caring and Handling measuring instruments	
	3.2 Calibrating and using measuring instruments	
	3.3 Performing calculation by Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division	
	3.4 Visualizing objects and shapes	
	3.5 Interpreting formula for volume, area, perimeter and other geometric figures	
4. Resource Implications	The following resources Must be provided:	
	4.1 Workplace location	
	4.2 Measuring instrument appropriate to servicing processes	
	4.3 Instructional materials relevant to the propose activity	
5. Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:	
	5.1 Direct observation	
	5.2 Written test	
	5.3 Interview	
	5.4 Practical application	
6. Context for Assessment	<ul><li>5.4 Practical application</li><li>6.1 Assessment of underpinning knowledge and underpinning skills may be combined</li></ul>	
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UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Use tools, equipment and machines

UNIT DESCIRPTOR: This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitudes required to

use tools, equipment and machines in wood working. This includes identifying, using and maintaining tools, equipment

and machines.

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ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Identify tools, equipment and machines	1.1	Identified appropriate wood working tools, equipment and machines based on job requirement
	1.2	Tools, equipment and machines are checked for defective parts and are reported in accordance with company procedures
	1.3	Specific tools, equipment and machines are selected according to job requirements
Use tools, equipment and machine	2.1	Operation manual of equipment and machines are carefully read prior to operation
	2.2	Pre-operation check-up of tools, equipment and machines is conducted in line with manufacturer's manual
	2.3	Tools, equipment and machines are operated and used according to its specific functions and uses
	2.4	Safety procedures in using tools and operating equipment and machines are followed
Perform preventive maintenance	3.1	Tools, equipment and machines are cleaned immediately after use in line with cleaning and safety procedures
	3.2	Routine check-up and maintenance are performed
	3.3	Tools and equipment are stored in designated areas in line with company policy

# **RANGE OF VARIABLES**

VARIABLE	RANGE				
1. Tools, equipment and	May include but not limited to:				
machines	1.1 Producing and assembling parts of a cabinet				
	1.1.1 Holding and supporting tools				
	a) Cramp set				
	b) Frame clamp				
	c) Corner clamp vise				
	d) Braces				
	1.1.2 Geometrical marking tools				
	a) Try squares				
	b) Dividers				
	c) Gauges				
	1.1.3 Percussion and impelling tools				
	a) Hammers				
	b) Screw driver set				
	1.1.4 Cutting tools				
	a) Saws				
	b) Planes				
	c) Chisel set				
	1.2 Power tools				
	1.2.1 Portable saw				
	1.2.2 Portable planer				
	1.2.3 Portable drill				
	1.2.4 Portable sander				
	1.2.5 Jig saw				
	1.2.6 Router				
	1.3 Equipment and machines				
	1.3.1 Circular sawing machine				
	1.3.2 Surface planing machine				
	1.3.3 Thicknessing machine				
	1.3.4 Mortising machine				
	1.3.5 Drilling machine				
	1.3.6 Single-end tenoning machine				
	1.3.7 Radial arm sawing machine				
	1.3.8 Sanding machine				
	1.3.9 Tilting Shaper/ Spindle moulding machine				
	1.3.10 Nail gun compressor				

VARIABLE	RANGE
2. Defective parts	May include but not limited to:
	2.1 Plug and wire
	2.2 Switch
	2.3 Indicator light
	2.4 Handle
	2.5 Chuck
	2.6 Bolts and nuts
	2.7 Gears
3. Routine check-up and	3.1 Check-up and maintenance can be done:
maintenance	3.1.1 Daily
	3.1.2 Weekly
	3.1.3 Monthly
	3.1.4 Quarterly
	3.1.5 Yearly
	3.2 Check safety of tools, equipment and machines before and after using

# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

Critical Aspects of	Asse	essment requires evidence that the candidate:
Competency	1.1	Correctly use appropriate wood working tools,
		equipment and machines
	1.2	Used and operated tools, equipment and machines according to manual specification
	1.3	Performed basic preventive maintenance
2. Underpinning Knowledge	2.1	Safety Practices
and Attitudes		2.1.1 Perform pre-operation check-up of equipment and machine before using for actual production work
		2.1.2 Company safety policy and regulation
	2.2	Codes and Regulations
		2.2.1 Decree or law on environmental protection
	2.3	Equipment and Machines: Uses and Specification
		<ol> <li>2.3.1 Knowledge of the uses and functions of tools, equipment and machines</li> </ol>
		2.3.2 Safety checking of tools, equipment and machines before and after using
	2.4	Maintenance
		2.4.1 Check condition of tools, equipment and machine regularly
		2.4.2 Knowledge of preventive maintenance
	2.5	Values
		2.5.1 Positive outlook towards work
		2.5.2 Care for tools, equipment and machines
		2.5.3 Sincere value for safety
3. Underpinning Skills	3.1	Ability to use and operate wood working tools, equipment and machines properly
	3.2	Ability to recognized defective tools, equipment and machines
	3.3	Ability to perform safety practices
4. Method of Assessment	Com	npetency in this unit must be assessed through:
	4.1	Direct observation
	4.2	Practical demonstration
	4.3	Third Party Report

5.	Resource Implications	5.1 5.2	Service manual or operational manual of wood working equipment and machines  Wood working tools, equipment and machines
6.	Context of Assessment	6.1	Assessment may occur in the workplace or in a simulated workplace under limited supervision

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Apply quality standards

UNIT DESCIRPTOR: This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude needed to

apply quality standards in the workplace. The unit also includes the application of relevant safety procedures and regulations, organization procedures and customer

requirements.

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# **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Assess quality of received materials or components	1.1	Work instructions are obtained and work is carried out in accordance with standard operating procedures
	1.2	Received <i>materials or component parts</i> are checked against workplace standards and specifications
	1.3	Faulty material or components related to work are identified and isolated
	1.4	<b>Faults</b> and any identified causes are recorded and/or reported to the supervisor concerned in accordance with workplace procedures
	1.5	Faulty materials or components are replaced in accordance with workplace procedures
2. Assess own work	2.1	<b>Documentation</b> relative to quality within the company is identified and used
	2.2	Completed work is checked against workplace standards relevant to the task undertaken
	2.3	Faulty pieces are identified and isolated
	2.4	Information on the quality and other indicators of production performance is recorded in accordance with workplace procedures
	2.5	In cases of deviations from specified <i>quality standards</i> , causes are documented and reported in accordance with the workplace' standards operating procedures
3. Engage in quality	3.1	Process improvement procedures are
improvement		participated in relation to workplace assignment
	3.2	Work is carried out in accordance with process improvement procedures
	3.3	Performance of operation or quality of product or service to ensure <i>customer</i> satisfaction is monitored

# **RANGE OF VARIABLES**

VARIABLE	RANGE
Materials or component parts	Materials and components include but not limited to:  1.1 Woods
	1.2 Spare parts of tools
	1.3 Spare parts of equipment
	1.4 Spart parts of machine
	1.5 Accessories
	1.6 Cutting blade
	1.7 Stays
	1.8 Lock and catch
2. Faults	May include but not limited to:
	2.1 Components and materials not according to specification
	2.2 Components and materials containing manufacturing defects
	<ol> <li>Components and materials do not conform with government regulation i.e., Lao electrical code, environmental code</li> </ol>
	2.4 Components and materials have safety defect
3. Documentation	3.1 Organization work procedures
	3.2 Manufacturer's instruction manual
	3.3 Customer requirements
	3.4 Forms
4. Quality standards	Quality standards may relate but not limited to the following:
	4.1 Materials
	4.2 Component parts
	4.3 Final product
	4.4 Production processes
5. Customer	5.1 Co-worker
	5.2 Supplier
	5.3 Client
	5.4 Organization receiving the product or service

# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

1.	Critical aspects of	Asse	ssment requires evidence that the candidate:
competency	1.1	Carried out work in accordance with the company's standard operating procedures	
		1.2	Performed task according to specifications
		1.3	Reported defects detected in accordance with standard operating procedures
		1.4	Carried out work in accordance with the process improvement procedures
2.	Underpinning Knowledge	2.1	Relevant production processes, materials and products
	and Attitude	2.2	Characteristics of materials/component parts used in electronic production processes
		2.3	Quality checking procedures
		2.4	Workplace procedures
		2.5	Safety and environmental aspects of production processes
		2.6	Fault identification and reporting
		2.7	Quality improvement process
3.	Underpinning Skills	3.1	Reading skills required to interpret work instruction
		3.2	Communication skills needed to interpret and apply defined work procedures
		3.3	Carry out work in accordance with OHS policies and procedures
4.	Resource Implications		assessor may select two (2) of the following assessment ods to objectively assess the candidate:
		4.1	Observation
		4.2	Questioning
		4.3	Practical demonstration
5.	Method of Assessment	5.1	Materials and component parts and equipment to be used in a real or simulated production situation
6.	Context for Assessment	6.1	Assessment may be conducted in the workplace or in a simulated environment

# **CORE COMPETENCIES**

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Produce components of the cabinet

UNIT DESCIRPTOR: This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required to

produce components of a cabinet.

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# **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA
Cut woods according to specified measurement	1.1	Technical drawing of <i>components of the cabinet</i> is read and checked for measurement and specifications
	1.2	Quality of wood materials are re-checked for <b>wood defects</b> ,woods with defective parts are reported to the superior for appropriate action
	1.3	Woods are measured using measuring instruments
	1.4	Woods are cut based on given specifications
	1.5	Safety in using and operating hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines in cutting woods is followed
2. Process wood surface	2.1	Surface of wood is <i>processed</i> according to <i>specified quality</i> using appropriate machines
	2.2	Safety in using and operating hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines in cutting woods is followed
	2.3	Work place is cleaned and organized accordingly as required for work safety
Make wood joineries and components of the cabinet	3.1	Appropriate <i>types of wood joints</i> in making the components of the cabinet are used as specified in the job or technical drawing
	3.2	Wood joints are cut and fitted based on job specifications
	3.3	Appropriate <b>bracings and holding devices</b> are installed and removed to ensure squareness, levelness, firmness of joineries and maintain the desired quality of the surface of the wood
	3.4	Fittings and fastening materials are installed without damaging the frames and surface of the wood
	3.5	Exterior and interior frames, exterior walls, top exterior cover, rear external wall, flooring, interior walls and open shelves, footings, drawers and doors are constructed according to specification and job requirement
	3.6	Safety in using and operating hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines is followed

		3.7	Work place is cleaned and organized accordingly as required for work safety
4.	Process components of the cabinet	4.1	Construction of joineries and components of the cabinet are inspected and re-checked based on specified quality
		4.2	Joineries and components of the cabinet are adjusted and re-worked according to specified quality
		4.3	Location of cabinet <i>accessories</i> are located and marked for installation using measuring and marking instrument
		4.4	Safety in using and operating hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines is followed

# **RANGE OF VARIABLES**

VARIABLE	RANGE
Components of the cabinet	May include but not limited to:
·	1.1 Exterior and interior frames
	1.2 Right and left exterior panels
	1.3 Top exterior cover or top panel
	1.4 Rear external wall or panel
	1.5 Flooring
	1.6 Interior walls or panels
	1.7 Open shelves
	1.8 Partitiion wall
	1.9 Footings
	1.10 Drawers
	1.11 Door panel
	1.12 Accessories
2. Wood defects	May include but not limited to:
	2.1 Split
	2.2 Warp
	2.3 Twist
	2.4 Burn
	2.5 Stain
	2.6 Coloration
3. Processed	3.1 Planing
	3.2 Thicknessing
	3.3 Sanding
	3.4 Tapering
	3.5 Chamfering
	3.6 Forming
	3.7 Moulding
	3.8 Drilling
4. Specified quality	4.1 Smoothness
	4.2 Thickness
	4.3 Levelness
	4.4 Squareness
	4.5 Rigidness

VARIABLE		RANGE
5. Types of wood joints	5.1	Framing Joints
		5.1.1 Tee halving joint
		5.1.2 Tee bridle joint
		5.1.3 Cross halving joint
		5.1.4 Dovetail tee halving joint
		5.1.5 Angle mitre joint
		5.1.6 Mortise and Tenon joints (various types)
	5.2	Angle Joints .
		5.2.1 Common through dovetail joint
		5.2.2 Single lap dovetail joint
		5.2.3 Double lap dovetail joint
		5.2.4 Secret mitre dovetail joint
		5.2.5 Simple butt joint
	5.3	Widening joint
		5.3.1 Dowelling joint
		5.3.2 Tongue and Groove joint
		5.3.3 Rebated joint
		5.3.4 Fastening joint (corrugated box fastener)
6. Bracings and holding	6.1	Bar cramp set
devices	6.2	Bench holdfast
	6.3	Corner clamp
	6.4	Cramp head set
	6.5	Frame clamp
	6.6	G Cramp set
	6.7	Hand screw set
	6.8	Speed cramp set
	6.9	Dowelling jig
	6.10	Vice

	VARIABLE		RANGE
	Fittings and fastening materials	7.1 7.2 7.3 7.4 7.5 7.6 7.7	Bolts and nuts Corrugated fasteners Dowels Epoxy Interior and exterior adhesives Metal screws Nails
8.	Accessories	8.1 8.2 8.3 8.4 8.5	Hinges Handles Lock and catch Stays Pre-made decorations or wood carvings

# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

1.	Critical aspects of competency	Asses	ssment requires evidence that the candidate:
		1.1.	Achieved the surface finish of the wood on required repecification
		1.2.	Constructed wood joineries based on given specifications
		1.3.	Completed the construction of exterior and interior frame of the cabinet based on specifications and job requirement
		1.4.	Completed the right and left exterior wall of the cabinet based on specifications and job requirement
		1.5.	Completed the top exterior cover component of the cabinet based on specifications and job requirement
		1.6.	Completed the rear exterior wall based cover component of the cabinet on specifications and job requirement
		1.7.	Completed the flooring based cover component of the cabinet on specifications and job requirement
		1.8.	Completed interior walls and shelvesbased on specifications and job requirement
		1.9.	Completed drawers based on specifications and job requirement
		1.10.	Completed door panels based on specifications and job requirement
		1.11.	Completed footing of the cabinet based on specifications and job requirement
		1.12.	Used and operated power tools, equipment, machines and supplies as per task requirement
		1.13.	Observed safety practices in using and operating hand tools, equipment and machines
2.	Underpinning Knowledge	2.1	Sequence of steps in performing the tasks of each job
	and Attitude	2.2	Components of the cabinet
		2.3	Types of wood defects
		2.4	Types and uses of hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines
		2.5	Types of wood surface processing
		2.6	Types and uses of wood joints
		2.7	Types and uses of bracing and holding devices
		2.8	Types and uses of fittings and fastening materials
		2.9	Types of accessories used in cabinet making
		2.10	Procedures in making components of a cabinet
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3. Underpinning Skills	3.1. Processing surface of wood to achieve given specification		
	3.2. Makin	g wood joints	
	3.3. Applyii	Applying techniques in making joineries	
	3.4. Installi	ng fittings and fastening	
	3.5. Installi	ng and using bracings and holding devices	
	3.6. Handli	ng of hand tools and equipment	
	3.7. Safe a machii	nd efficient operation of power tools and nes	
	3.8. Arrang	ing work bench and work stations	
4. Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided:		
	4.1. Workp	lace location	
	4.2. Materi compe	als and supplies relevant to the unit of etency	
		tools, power tools, equipment and machines nt to the unit of competency	
	4.4. Drawir	ngs and specifications relevant to activities	
5. Method of Assessment	Competency	may be assess through:	
	5.1. Direct	observation	
	5.2. Intervi	ew	
	5.3. Test re	elated to critical aspect of competency	
6. Context for Assessment		etency may be assessed in the work place or in a ted work place setting	
		sment shall be done while tasks are undertaken ually under supervision	

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: Assemble the cabinet

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required to test assemble parts of the cabinet and assemble the cabinet. UNITDESCIRPTOR:

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# **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

ELEMENT	PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
Test assemble the cabinet	Parts of cabinet components are inspected prior to test assembly		
	<ol> <li>Components of the cabinet are assembled and dismantled to test compatibility, suitability and quality of assembly</li> </ol>		
	1.3 <b>Joineries</b> and components are repaired as required for compatibility, suitability and quality		
	1.4 <b>Steps in installing cabinet components</b> are followed in accordance with work procedures		
	1.5 Quality of cabinet components are checked based on given specifications		
Install accessories in cabinet components	2.1 Condition and function of accessories are checked, defective accessories are reported to superior for replacement or appropriate action		
	2.2 Accessories for the cabinet and its components are installed based on specification		
	<ol> <li>Pre-fabricated moulding and designs on cabinet drawers and doors are installed according to specifications.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Installation is checked according to function and specification</li> </ol>		
3. Assemble the cabinet	3.1 Final checking is conducted in each component prior to final assembly to ensure conformity to <b>specified quality</b>		
	3.2 Components of the cabinet are inserted and installed in accordance with work procedures		
	3.3 Exterior and interior frames, exterior walls, top exterior cover, rear external wall, flooring, interior walls and open shelves, footings, drawers and doors are installed with carefulness and safety		
	3.4 Hand tools, power tools, equipment, supplies and materials and are collected for storage		
	3.5 Workplace is cleaned and organized accordingly as required for work safety		

# **RANGE OF VARIABLES**

VARIABLE	RANGE		
1. Joineries	1.1 1.2 1.3	Angle joints	
Steps in installing cabinet components	2.1	Re-check quality of each component for defects prior to testing	
·	2.2	Test spaces and suitability of components to each part of the cabinet:	
		2.2.1 Exterior and interior frames	
		2.2.2 Right and left exterior walls or panels	
		2.2.3 Top exterior cover or top panel	
		2.2.4 Rear external wall or panel	
		2.2.5 Flooring	
		2.2.6 Interior walls or panels	
		2.2.7 Open shelves	
		2.2.8 Partition wall	
		2.2.9 Footings	
		2.2.10 Drawers	
		2.2.11 Doors	
	2.3	Pre-install components using bracing and holding devices for appropriate markings for the installation of fittings and fastening devices	
	2.4	Install fittings and fastening devices	
	2.5	Check functions of each components	
	2.6	Dismantle and re-install components to make adjustments or refinements if necessary	
	2.7	Use proper hand tools and devices during test installations	
	2.8	Avoid making damages on the surface of the wood during the test assembly of the cabinet	
3. Specified quality	3.1	Smoothness	
	3.2	Thickness	
	3.3		
	3.4		
		3.5 Rigidness	
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# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

1.	Critical aspects of competency	Assessment requires evidence that the candidate:		
		1.1	Interpreted technical drawings and related plans as required on the job	
		1.2	Constructed joineries and components with squareness, levelness and rigidness or based on what is required by the job	
		1.3	Assembled components of a cabinet based on the job requirement	
		1.4	Repaired joineries and components for proper compatibility and suitability	
		1.5	Used hand tools, equipment and machines based on the job requirement	
		1.6	Stated the application of hand tools, equipment, machines, devices and supplies as per task requirement	
		1.7	Applied safety practices in using and operating hand tools, equipment and machines	
2.	Underpinning Knowledge	2.1	Principles of exterior and interior frames	
	and Attitude	2.2	Functions of each component of the cabinet	
		2.3	Steps in assembling and dismantling component parts of the cabinet	
		2.4	Types of fastening, holding and pulling accessories	
		2.5	Types of hand tools, power tools, devices, equipment and machines	
3.	Underpinning Skills	3.1.	Preparing supplies, tools, devices, equipment and machines	
		3.2.	Observing defects in joineries and components	
		3.3.	Following procedures in test assembling, dismantling and final assembling of cabinet	
		3.4.	Making repairs for suitability of component parts	
		3.5.	Applying safety in using hand tools, equipment, devices, power tools and machines	
4.	Resource Implications	The t	following resources must be provided:	
		4.1.	Workplace location with appropriate equipment or machine	
		4.2.	Supplies relevant to the unit of competency	
		4.3.	Hand tools, equipment and machines relevant to the unit of competency	
		4.4.	Drawings and specifications relevant to activities	

5. Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:		
	5.1. Direct observation		
	5.2. Interview		
	5.3. Test related to critical aspect of competency		
6. Context for Assessment	6.1. Competency may be assessed in the workplace or in a simulated workplace setting		
	6.2. Assessment shall be done while tasks are undertaken individually under supervision		

UNIT OF COMPETENCY: **Process surface of the cabinet** 

This unit covers the knowledge, skills and attitude required to process wood surfaces of furniture and apply appropriate UNIT DESCIRPTOR:

treatment and retouch

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# **ELEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE CRITERIA**

ELEMENT		PERFORMANCE CRITERIA		
Process wood surface of the furniture		Surface of wood is cleaned and pre-processed using processing materials and equipment		
	1.2	Unnecessary materials and elements are remedied or removed as required by the job		
	1.3	Appropriate markings are placed carefully on the surface with defects or needs repair		
Apply appropriate treatment and retouch	2.1	Quality of the surfaces, its <i>parts and components</i> are re-inspected for appropriate treatment and retouches		
	2.2	Appropriate <i>treatment and retouch</i> is applied on <i>surface defects</i> , holes, gaps in joineries and discolorations		
	2.3	Appropriate chemicals are used and applied as required by the job		
	2.4	Treatment and retouch is applied on the surface of the wood according to procedures		
	2.5	Safety in using treatment and retouch materials, hand tools, devices, power tools, equipment and machines		
3. Polish wood surface	3.1	Workplace is cleaned and organized accordingly as required by the job		
	3.2	Dusts and other elements on the wood surface are removed using appropriate tools and machines		
	3.3	Surface of wood is polish as specified by the job		

# **RANGE OF VARIABLES**

VARIABLE	RANGE		
Processing materials and equipment	May include but not limited to:  1.1 Sand paper: Classification 20,40,60, 80, 100, 120, 180, 200, 300  1.2 Bench brush  1.3 Cloth rags  1.4 Chalk or pencil  1.5 Portable electric sander		
Unnecessary materials and elements	<ul> <li>2.1 Unnecessary materials</li> <li>2.1.1 Exposed nails or fasteners</li> <li>2.1.2 Split wood grains</li> <li>2.1.3 Protruding woods, putty or glue</li> <li>2.2 Unnecessary Elements</li> <li>2.2.1 Putty</li> <li>2.2.2 Grease</li> <li>2.2.3 Oil</li> <li>2.2.4 Dust</li> </ul>		
3. Parts and component	May include but not limited to: 3.1 Exterior and interior panels 3.2 Exterior and interior frames 3.3 Top panel 3.4 Drawers 3.5 Doors 3.6 Shelves 3.7 Handles 3.8 Lock and catch		
4. Treatment and retouch	May include but not limited to:  4.1 Glue  4.2 Latex  4.3 Putty  4.4 Sealant  4.5 Solvent  4.6 White clay  4.7 Coloring powder or liquid  4.8 Heating		

5. Surface defects	May include but not limited to:		
	5.1 Burn		
	5.2 Coloration		
	5.3 Cracks		
	5.4 Dent		
	5.5 Split		
	5.6 Stain		

# **EVIDENCE GUIDE**

Critical aspects of	Asse	essment requires evidence that the candidate:
competency	1.1	Smoothened the surface of the wood according to industry requirement
	1.2	Treated and retouched surfaces of the furniture without scratching or damaging the wood surface, grains or colors
	1.3	Used the right or appropriate tools and machines in treating and retouching surface defects
	1.4	Removed dusts and other elements using appropriate tools and machines
	1.5	Cleaned work place before and after processing wood surface in line with proper job housekeeping
	1.6	Used and operated power tools, equipment, machines and supplies as per task requirement
	1.7	Observed safety practices in using and operating hand tools, equipment and machines
2. Underpinning Knowledge	2.1	Sequence of steps in performing the tasks of each job
and Attitude	2.2	Types of defects on wood surface
	2.3	Types and uses of hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines
	2.4	Types of wood treatments and retouches
	2.5	Types of materials used for treatment and retouch of wood surface
	2.6	Describe appropriate procedures for carrying out processing operations on wood surface
3. Underpinning Skills	3.1.	Sanding wood surface to achieve given specification
	3.2.	Applying techniques in surface treatment and retouches
	3.3.	Applying treatment and retouching to different defects on wood surface
	3.4.	Preparing patching compound such as putty, latex, sealant and clay
	3.5.	Using appropriate equipment and machines in removing surface defects
	3.6.	Safety procedures in removing or repairing unnecessary materials and elements
	3.7.	Safety procedures in using treatment and retouching tools and machines

4. Resource Implications	The following resources must be provided:		
	4.1. Workplace location		
	4.2. Materials and supplies relevant to the unit of competency		
	4.3. Hand tools, power tools, equipment and machines relevant to the unit of competency		
	4.4. Drawings and specifications relevant to activities		
5. Method of Assessment	Competency may be assess through:		
	5.1. Written test related to critical aspect of competency		
	5.2. Direct observation		
	5.3. Interview		
	5.4. Test related to critical aspect of competency		
6. Context for Assessment	6.1. Competency may be assessed in the work place or in a simulated work place setting		
	6.2. Assessment shall be done while tasks are undertaken individually under supervision		

# **CURRICULUM DESIGN**

# **CABINET MAKER – LEVEL III**

# **BASIC COMPETENCIES**

UNIT OF COMPETENCY	LEARNING OUTCOME	METHODOLOGY	ASSESSMENT
1. Prepare Work plan	<ul> <li>1.1 Calculate manpower requirement</li> <li>1.2 Calculate materials and supplies required</li> <li>1.3 Sketch drawings</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lecture</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Work sheet exercise</li></ul>	<ul><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
2. Participate in workplace communicati on	<ul> <li>2.1 Obtain and convey workplace information</li> <li>2.2 Participate in workplace meetings and discussions</li> <li>2.3 Complete relevant work related documents</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lecture</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Role playing</li></ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Interview</li><li>Demonstration</li></ul>
3. Use Mathematic al concepts and techniques	<ul> <li>3.1 Identify mathematical tools and techniques to solve problem</li> <li>3.2 Apply mathematical procedure/solution</li> <li>3.3 Analyze results</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lecture</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Self-paced learning</li><li>Case study</li></ul>	<ul><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
4. Work in team environment	<ul> <li>4.1 Describe team role and scope</li> <li>4.2 Identify own role and responsibility within team</li> <li>4.3 Work as a team member</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lecture</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Role playing</li><li>Case study</li></ul>	<ul><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Demonstration</li><li>Observation</li></ul>
5. Apply gender and social equity principles and policies	<ul> <li>5.1 Follow guidelines or rules of conduct related to gender and social equity in the workplace</li> <li>5.2 Contribute to improve workplace guidelines in promoting gender and social equity</li> <li>5.3 Recognize and report suspected cases of gender and other forms of social inequity</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Lecture</li><li>Discussion</li><li>Role playing</li><li>Case study</li></ul>	<ul><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Demonstration</li><li>Observation</li></ul>

# **COMMON COMPETENCIES**

UNIT OF COMPETENCY	LEARNING OUTCOME	METHODOLOGY	ASSESSMENT
Interpret technical drawings and plans	<ul><li>1.1 Analyze signs, symbols and data</li><li>1.2 Interpret technical drawings and plans</li><li>1.3 Apply freehand sketching</li></ul>	<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Practical exercises</li></ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
Perform     measureme     nt and     calculation	<ul><li>2.1 Select measuring instruments</li><li>2.2 Carry out measurements and calculation</li><li>2.3 Maintain measuring instruments</li></ul>	<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Practical exercises</li></ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
3. Use tools, equipment and machines	<ul><li>3.1 Identify tools, equipment and machines</li><li>3.2 Use tools, equipment and machine</li><li>3.3 Perform preventive maintenance</li></ul>	<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Practical exercises</li></ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
4. Apply quality standards	<ul><li>4.1 Assess quality of received materials or components</li><li>4.2 Assess own work</li><li>4.3 Engage in quality improvement</li></ul>	<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Practical exercises</li></ul>	<ul><li>Direct observation</li><li>Oral questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>

# **CORE COMPETENCIES**

UNIT OF COMPETENCY	LEARNING OUTCOME	METHODOLOGY	ASSESSMENT
Produce components of the cabinet	<ul> <li>1.1 Cut woods according to specified measurement</li> <li>1.2 Process wood surface</li> <li>1.3 Make wood joineries and components of the cabinet</li> <li>1.4 Process components of the cabinet</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Self-paced instruction</li> <li>Practical exercises</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
Assemble the cabinet	<ul><li>2.1 Test assemble the cabinet</li><li>2.2 Install accessories in cabinet components</li><li>2.3 Assemble the cabinet</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Discussion</li> <li>Self-paced instruction</li> <li>Practical exercises</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>
3. Process surface of the cabinet	<ul><li>3.1 Process wood surface of the furniture</li><li>3.2 Apply appropriate treatment and retouch</li><li>3.3 Polish wood surface</li></ul>	<ul><li>Discussion</li><li>Self-paced instruction</li><li>Practical exercises</li></ul>	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Questioning</li><li>Written test</li></ul>

#### RELATED INFORMATION

#### **Curriculum Design**

The Competency – Based Curriculum is developed and used for the delivery of the LQ training programs. The curriculum design provides TVET trainers and training providers with important information in order to achieve the unit of competencies for the qualification. This information provides guidelines and requirements such as training duration for each unit of competency, technical facility, training tools and equipment, training methodology, assessment methods and other resources.

#### **Technical Facility**

The technical facility for conducting competency-based training for TVET and industry trainers must include among others the following areas: practical work area, learning resource center, training resource and production area, assessment area, quality control and support area. The technical facility should conform to training standards and requirements set by the Authority.

At the minimum, a technical facility has provisions for lecture room and workshop area, learning resource area, audio – visual room, multimedia and computer laboratory and meets the minimum requirement for workshop or production area.

#### **Institutional Assessment**

The training institution conducting the competency-based training should conduct a competency-based assessment to trainees that completed the training to determine the achievement of each unit of competency. The institutional assessment is conducted prior to the assessment for national certification. It follows the assessment guidelines established by the Authority. A certificate or diploma is issued by the institution to trainees who were able to pass the assessment.

#### **National Assessment and Certification**

Trainees who completed the competency-based training are candidates for the national assessment and certification. They must demonstrate competence in all the units of competency of the Trainer Qualification Level they have undertaken. Successful candidates shall be awarded a National Certification on Trainer Qualification by the issuing Authority.

#### **GLOSARY OF COMPETENCY STANDARD TERMS**

#### **Assessment and Certification**

A national system of assessment and certification established and administered by the Technical – Vocational Education and Training Authority. It consists of assessing and certifying the competency level of a person in terms of knowledge, skills and attitude based on standards set by business and industries. A National Certification in a level of professional recognition is awarded to a person that successfully passed the assessment.

#### Authority

Refers to the governing body upon which the national vocational qualification framework for competency standard, assessment and certification, awarding of national certification is vested, i.e. Ministry of Education and Sports, Technical and Vocational Education Department, National Training Council.

# **Basic Competency**

Are work competencies that are classified as non-technical skills but are very necessary in the successful performance of any work since they are manifested by core behaviors and abilities that determine the effective and efficient outcome of work. These competencies forms part of the competency standards and their degree of application could vary depending on the work role.

### Competency

The possession and application of the cluster of skills, knowledge and attitude required in the performance of a job in accordance to set industry standards.

#### **Competency Standard**

Is a written specification of performance determined by industry which identify the skills, knowledge and attitudes essential for the successful the performance of the job.

# Competency Training Program

An approved technical – vocational education and training course or program for a particular job occupation. It is based on a competency standard in line with the national qualification framework. It follows a training delivery scheme that aims to achieve the level of competency after the training.

#### **Core Competency**

Is the core technical knowledge, skills and attitude that a person must possess in order to perform a job effectively with respect to expected outcome at an acceptable time and degree of quality. Core competencies are described and linked to industry-based competency standards and they play a different role in the overall way a person applies their skills and knowledge in work or other roles.

#### E - Learning

An education and training modality delivered mainly through electronic learning (e-Learning). A broad combination of processes, content, and infrastructure to use computers and networks to scale and/or improve one or more significant parts of a learning value chain, including management and delivery.<sup>5</sup>

# **Elements of Competency**

Are building blocks of a unit of competency which describes the key aspects of the job that a person must be able to do relative to his job role and function.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Clark Adrich, 2004

#### **Evidence Guide**

Is a part in the competency standard that specifies the required evidence of competency including the critical aspects of competency and the standards to be observed. The underpinning knowledge and skills, context of assessment, methods of assessment, and resource implication are likewise stated. The focus of assessment to which the assessor will use in evaluating the possession of competencies is the Evidence Guide.

#### Institutional Assessment

An assessment conducted by the training provider or training institution right after the competency – based training. The institutional assessment is conducted prior to the assessment for national certification. It follows the assessment guidelines established by the Authority. A certificate or diploma is issued by the institution to trainees who were able to pass the assessment.

#### National Certificate or Certification

A document issued by the Authority to an individual who have demonstrated successfully all the required units of competencies for a given qualification. Said document certifies that an individual is competent to perform a specific qualification.

#### **Performance Criteria**

Is a specification of the level or quality of performance. It is also an indication of the quality of the critical evidence required to meet the outcomes in the elements and linked to assessment.

The Performance Criteria is further elaborated with Range of Variables that specifies the coverage of application and conditions to which the criteria will be used. The Range of Variables is written in Italic words in the Performance Criteria.

#### Qualifications

Are clusters of significant units of competencies that meet job performance expected by the employer. It is also a certification awarded to an individual who have successfully demonstrated his/her competence in a particular cluster of units of competencies. Qualifications represent the results of learning, regardless of whether learning has been in formal or informal contexts. The qualification level is distinguished according to its alignment with the levels of certification.

#### **Qualification Levels**

Are different levels of job qualifications in competency – based training, assessment and certification. The qualification level is based on a national qualification framework that determines the qualification of a person seeking skills recognition in a particular trade or job.

#### Range of Variables

Are the specific range of applications and conditions to which the performance criteria are applied.

#### **Technical Facility**

The technical facility is the venue for conducting competencybased training for TVET. It includes among others practical work area, learning resource center, training resource and production area, assessment area, quality control and support area.

# Technical – Vocational Education and Training

Any technical – vocational program or activity oriented towards skill proficiency leading to a certificate or diploma in preparation for a particular occupation. Short-term programs of instruction including the acquisition of technical knowledge and skills lasting less than a school year are generally considered as technical-vocational educational activities irrespective of the training provider in which such programs are offered.

# **Unit of Competency**

The building block of the competency standard specifying the elements, performance criteria, range of variable, evidence guide, resources and methods of assessment. The competency unit can logically stand alone when applied in a work situation.

#### **Unit Descriptor**

Describes in broad terms the coverage of unit of competency. It is an expansion of the Unit title which states the general application of skills and knowledge.

#### **Unit Code**

Represents the unit of competency in alpha-numeric form from amongst the different unit of competencies of the trade or occupational areas. The unit code represents the competency standard, occupational area, qualification and competency level and the competency number.

#### **GLOSSARY OF WOOD WORKING TERMS**

http://www.ewpdoors.com/glossary.htm

Air-dried lumber Lumber that was dried, usually outside, to an equilibrium

moisture content with the air it was exposed to.

Alternate top bevel with raker

(ATB/R)

A design for a circular saw blade where four alternately beveled teeth are followed by a raker too to remove debris from the cut.

**Annual growth rings** The layer of growth that a tree puts on in one year. The annual

growth rings can be seen in the end grain of lumber.

Arbor A shaft, driven by the tool's motor that turns blades or other

cutting tools.

Back saw A short rectangular saw with fine teeth and a rigid "spine" along

the top of the blade. A backsaw is used for fine joinery work

such as cutting dovetail joints.

Bark The outermost, protective layer, of a tree composed of dead

cork and other elements.

Bead A small rounded, raised profile, routed along the edge of a

board.

Bench Dog A metal or wooden peg that fits into a hole in a workbench and

is used to hold a workpiece in place. The peg can be round or square and sometimes fitted with special springs to hold them in

place.

Bevel cut An angled cut through a board.

Birds-eye figure A figure on wood, usually maple and a few other species. The

figure is composed of many small BB size rounded areas resembling a birds eye. The figuring is most common on plain

and rotary sawn lumber.

Biscuit Joint A butt joint that is reinforced with a football shaped "biscuit".

The biscuits are usually made from compressed pieces of wood, usually birch. When a biscuit comes into contact with glue in the joint it swells creating a tighter joint. Also called a

Plate Joint.

**Board Foot** A form of wood measurement, where one board foot equals the

volume of a board 1 inch thick, 12 inches wide, and 12 inches

long, or 144 square inches.

Bookmatch A term in veneering, where successive pieces of veneer from a

flitch are arranged side by side. A properly done bookmatch will

resemble a mirror image of the opposite side.

Bore The hole for the arbor in a circular saw blade.

**Bow** A defective piece of lumber that has warped along its length.

**Box joint** A corner joint made up of interlocking "fingers".

**Brad** A small finishing nail up to 1" long.

**Burl**Bulges and irregular growths that form on the trunks and roots

of trees. Burls are highly sought after for the incredible veneer

they yield.

**Burr** A raised ridge of metal used on a scraper to remove wood.

Butt Joint A woodworking joint where the edges of two boards are placed

against each other.

Cabriole Leg A leg used on furniture. The cabriole leg is characterized by

graceful curves and a shape that resembles an animal leg.

Cambium The live, actively growing, layer of a tree. The cambium is one

cell thick and resides between the sapwood and the phloem. It repeatedly divides itself to form new wood and causes the tree

to grow and expand.

Chamfer A beveled cut along the edge of a piece of furniture. (Usually 45)

degrees)

Carcase The body of a piece of furniture with a box like shape. (i.e. a

kitchen cabinet)

Case Hardening A defect in the lumber caused by improper drying. Case

Hardening is caused when a board is dried too fast. The outer layers in a case hardened board are compressed while the

inner layers are in tension.

**Cell** The smallest, microscopic, structure in wood.

Check A lumber defect caused by uneven shrinking of the wood during

drying. A checked board has splits which develop lengthwise

across the growth rings.

Clear A board which is free of defects.

Closed Coat A piece of sandpaper with a surface completely covered with

abrasive particles. This type of paper tends to clog easily with

sawdust and is generally not used for woodworking.

Collet In a router, the sleeve that grips the shank of a bit.

Common Grade Lumber Lumber with obvious defects.

Compound Cut An angled cut to both the edge and face of a board.

Concave An inward-curving shape. (i.e. a spoon)

Convex An outward-curving shape. (i.e. my belly :-)

Cope-and-stick joint A method of construction raised panel doors where the tongues

of the rails (horizontal) connect to the grooves of the stiles

(vertical).

**Countersink** A tool that allows you to drill a hole so that the head of a screw

will sit flush with the face of a board.

Crook A lumber defect where there is an edgewise warp effecting the

straightness of the board.

Crosscut (crosscutting) A cut made perpendicular to the grain of a board.

Crotch In lumber, a piece of wood taken from the fork of a tree. Crotch

Veneer is highly valued for its figuring.

Cup A defect in the lumber where the face of the board warps up like

the letter U.

Dado A rectangular channel cut partway into a board.

**Deciduous**Trees that shed their foliage annually. Commonly referred to as

hardwood.

Defect An abnormality in a piece of lumber that lowers its strength and

commercial value such as a check or knot.

**Deflection**The amount of sag in a shelf, floor, joist, or counter caused by

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the weight it's supporting.

**Dovetail Joint**A method of joining wood at corners by the use of interlocking

pins and tails.

**Dowel** A cylindrical wooden pin that is used to reinforce a wood joint.

Dowel Center A cylindrical metal pin with a raised point that is inserted into a

dowel hole and used to locate the exact center on a mating

piece of wood.

Dozuki A type of Japanese woodworking saw that is used for fine

joinery work such as dovetails. Its Western equivalent is a back

saw.

**Drawer Stop**A device installed in a cabinet to limit the drawers travel.

**Dressing** Shaping the cutting edge of a chisel to correct the bevel.

Edge guide A straightedge that is used to guide tools, such as a circular

saw or router, along a workpiece.

**Edge joining**Smoothing and squaring the edge of a board so that it can be

glued up squarely to another piece.

**Equilibrium moisture content** When the level of moisture in a board is equal to the moisture in

the surrounding air.

Face Veneer High quality veneer that is used for the exposed surfaces on

plywood.

Featherboard A piece of wood with thin "fingers" that hold a board against a

fence or down against the table of a power tool, usually a table

saw or router.

Fence A straight guide used to keep a board a set distance from a

blade or other cutters.

Flat-sawn Lumber In softwoods, a method of sawing lumber where the log is cut

tangential to the growth rings. Also called plain sawm.

Free Water Moisture found in the cell cavities of wood.

**Girth** The distance around a tree; the circumference.

Glue Joint A special interlocking grooved pattern that is used to join two

pieces, edge to edge, securely.

Grain The size, alignment, and color of wood fibers in a piece of

lumber.

**Green Lumber** Freshly cut lumber that has not had time to dry.

the board. The ends of a half-blind dovetail are concealed. (see

through dovetail joint)

Hardboard A type of manufactured board similar to particle board but with a

much smoother surface. A common brand of hardboard is

Masonite.

**Heartwood** The dead inner core of a tree. Usually much harder and darker

than the newer wood. Also see sapwood.

Herringbone Pattern In veneering, a hearing bone pattern is formed when successive

layers of veneers are glued up so they form a mirror image. Usually this pattern slants upwards and outwards, like a

herringbone.

Infeed The direction a workpiece is fed into a blade or cutter.

Jig A device used to make special cuts, guide a tool, or aid in

woodworking operations.

**Kickback** When a workpiece is thrown back, in the opposite direction the

cutter is turning.

**Kiln** In lumber drying, a kiln is a room or building where temperature.

moisture, and the amount of air circulating are controlled to dry

wood.

Kiln Dried Lumber that has been dried in a Kiln. (See Kiln)

**Knot**A part of the tree where a branch has been overgrown by the

tree and incorporated into its trunk.

Laminate A thin plastic materiel used to cover a board. The most common

use of laminate is for counter and table tops. It is often referred

to by the brand name Formica.

Latewood The part of a trees annual growth ring that is formed later in the

season.

**Linear Foot** A measurement of the length of a board.

Lumber Logs which have been sawn, planed, and cut to length.

Lumber-Core Plywood Plywood where thin sheets of veneer are glued to a core of

narrow boards. Lumber-core plywood differs from regular plywood in that regular plywood is made up of successive layers

of alternating grain veneer.

**Lumber ruler** A tool resembling a ruler with a handle at one end and a hood at

the other which is used to calculate the board footage of a piece

of lumber.

**Medium density fiberboard** 

(MDF)

A special type of tempered hardboard characterized by a very

fine, smooth finish. MDF is used in cabinet making.

Miter-and-spline joint A joint with two mitered surfaces connected by a spline. (see

spline)

Miter gauge A tool that slides in a slot on a power tool such as a table saw,

router table, bandsaw, etc. A miter gauge can be adjusted to different angles and is used to slide the stock past the blade.

**Moisture Content**A measure of the amount of water in a piece of lumber.

Mortise A rectangular hole cut into a piece of wood to accept a tenon.

(see tenon)

Mortise and Tenon joint A joinery technique where the tenon from one board fits into the

mortise of another.

Nominal Size The rough-sawn size of a piece of lumber. When purchasing

planed lumber it is sold by its nominal, rough-sawn, size. For example a 2"x4" is the nominal size for a board whose actual

dimension is 1.4" x 3.25".

**Non-piloted bit** A router bit without a guide bearing.

**Ogee**A decorative molding profile with a S shape.

Open Coat A piece of sandpaper with abrasive particles that are spread out

to prevent clogging. See also - closed coat.

Outfeed The side of a power tool where the board exits. (see infeed)

Oven-dried weight The weight of a piece of lumber that has been dried, under high

temperatures, in an oven until it is devoid of all water.

Particleboard A type of manufactured plywood that is made from ground up

and glued scrap wood. Particle board is very dense, heavy, and

flat.

Particleboard-core plywood Plywood that is made by gluing a thin layer of veneer to a piece

of particleboard.

Phloem The inner part of a tree's bark that delivers water and other

nutrients.

**Photosynthesis** A process that plants use to synthesize nutrients from water and

minerals using sunlight.

Phylum A class or group of plants. Phylum is a botanical term used by

botanists to classify plants.

Pilot Bit (Pilot Bearing) also

**Piloted Bit** 

A router bit fitted with a bearing above the cutter which rides on the edge of a board or template keeping the bit a fixed distance

from the edge

Pin Router A router that is fixed above a table with its bit point down. A pin

in the table is aligned with the bit and used to route the

workpiece.

Pitch Pocket - A pocket of resinous sap confined within the grain of many

conifers.

**Pith -** The soft core in the center of a tree trunk.

Plain-Sawn Lumber A method of sawing lumber where the log is cut tangential to the

growth rings. Also called flat sawn when referring to softwoods.

Plate Joint A butt joint that is reinforced with a football shaped "biscuit".

The biscuits are usually made from compressed pieces of wood, usually birch. When a biscuit comes into contact with glue in the joint it swells creating a tighter joint. Also called a

Biscuit Joint.

turned on and plunged down into the workpiece.

Porous Wood Wood with larger than normal pores and vessels

**Pumice** A fine abrasive powder that is made from volcanic ash. Pumice

is used with a a felt block in woodworking to rub out (polish) a

finish. (Pumice is also the gritty additive in Lava soap.)

**Push Stick** A tool used to safely push a board through a table saw or other

power tool.

**Quarter-sawn**A method of cutting lumber where the annual rings are relatively

perpendicular to the face of the board. Quarter-sawn lumber tends to be more dimensionally stable than other forms of

lumber, such as plain sawn.

Rabbet A cut partway through the edge of a board that is used as a part

of a joint.

Radial Shrinkage in a piece of lumber that occurs across the growth

rings as it begins to dry.

Rail (1) A horizontal board that runs along the underside of a table.

(2) The horizontal part of a raised panel door.

Raised Panel A piece of wood that is the center of a frame and panel

assembly.

Ray A ribbon like figure caused by the strands of cells which extend

across the grain in quarter sawn lumber.

Reaction Wood - Abnormal wood tissue that was formed in a leaning tree.

Reaction wood is very unstable and prone to warping and

cupping when sawn into lumber.

**Ripcut (Ripping)**A cut made parallel to the grain of a board.

veneer is cut from a log like a roll of paper towels.

shaper that is used to keep the workpiece a fixed distance away

from the cutters.

Rule Joint A joinery method used in drop leaf tables where the tabletop

has a convex profile and the leaf has a concave cut. The two

pieces are joined by a hinge.

Runout The amount of wobble in a shaper or router.

Sap - The water in a tree which is rich in minerals and nutrients.

Sapwood The new wood in a tree that lies between the bark and the

Heartwood. Sapwood is usually lighter in color and becomes

heartwood as the tree ages.

Scarf Joint A woodworking joint that is made by cutting or notching two

boards at an angle and then strapping, gluing, or bolting them

together.

Seasoning The process of removing the moisture from green wood to

improve its workability and stability.

Selects In softwood, lumber which has been graded strictly for its

appearance. In hardwood, lumber which is one grade below first

and second.

Sliding Dovetail Joints A sliding dovetail joint is similar to a tongue and groove joint

except the tongue and grove are matching dovetails.

Softwoods Generally lumber from a conifer such as pine or cedar. The

name softwood does not refer to the density of the wood. There are some hardwoods, such as Balsa, which are softer than

some softwoods, like Southern Yellow Pine.

**Sound**A term referring to a board which has no or very few defects

which will effect its strength

**Specific Gravity** The ratio of the weight of wood to an equal volume of water.

The higher the specific gravity, the heavier the wood.

Spermatophyte Plants that reproduce by seeds. This includes almost all plant

species.

Spindle The threaded arbor on a shaper that holds the cutters.

**Spline**A thin piece of wood that fits in the mating grooves cut into two

pieces of wood.

Squeeze-out A bead or drops of glue that are forced out of a joint when

pressure is applied.

Stain 1) A discoloration in wood caused by a fungus or chemicals; 2)

A die or pigment used to color wood.

Sticker A thin wood strip that is inserted between stacks of green wood

to allow air to flow through the stack to ensure proper drying.

Stile The vertical part of a raised panel door.

Surfaced Lumber A piece of wood that has been planed smooth on one or more

surfaces.

Surfacing The way a piece of lumber has been prepared at the lumber

mill.

Tack Time The amount of time it takes for an adhesive to set-up before it

can form a bond.

Taper A piece of wood that has been cut so that it is wider on one

edge than the other.

**Tearout** The tendency for a blade to splinter the last part of a piece of

wood during crosscutting.

**Tempered Hardboard**Dense fiberboard that has been specially treated to increase its

durability, strength, density, and moisture resistance.

**Template**A pattern. Often a template is made of hardboard and used with

a pilot bit to route a shape in a board.

**Template guide**A jig mounted to the bottom of a router that is used to keep the

router on the profile of a template when routing with a non-pilot

beating bit.

**Tenon**A protrusion from a board that fits into a matching mortise to

form a joint.

**Through Dovetail Joint**A method of joining wood where the interlocking pins and tails

of the dovetail joint go through the side of its mating piece.

Tongue and Groove A joinery method where one board is cut with a protruding

"groove" and a matching piece is cut with a matching groove

along its edge.

**Torque**The amount of force that is needed to turn an object such as a

screw or bolt.

Twist Warping in lumber where the ends twist in opposite directions.

(Like twisting a towel)

**Underlayment**A layer of plywood or other manufactured board used as a base

material under finished flooring. Underlayment is often used as a substrate to increase the strength and/or smoothness of the

flooring.

**Veneer** A thin sheet of wood cut from a log.

Veneer-core Plywood Plywood made from three or more pieces of veneer glued up in

alternating grain patterns.

Warp A defect in lumber characterized by a bending in one or more

directions.

Wormholes Holes and channels cut in wood by insects.

# UNDERSTANDING THE CODES IN THE MODULAR TRAINING PACKAGE

Each Learning Module of Instruction and Learning Elements in the Modular Training Package is uniquely coded for easy identification and links directly to the code of the units of competency in the Competency Standard for the qualification *Cabinet Maker* Certificate Level III, from which it was developed.

Thus, the code of each Learning Module of Instruction links it to the unit of competency for which it was developed. It is divided in three components, i) the unit of competency code and ii) the module number and, iii) module version. Example:

**Learning Module of Instruction: Recording Supporting Documents** 

CODE:	742.7422.031.001.01	001-01

How are you going to interpret the code for this Learning Module of Instruction? It is explained in the table below:

742.7422.031.001.01	001	01 Module Version	
Unit of Competency Code	Module number		
Unit of Competency code for the unit title " Collect Supporting Documents" in the competency standard for Cabinet Maker Level III	1-Directly corresponds to the Unit Number-series number of the Unit of Competency for which this Learning Module of Instruction has been developed.  01- This is the first module for this Unit of competency. A number of modules may be developed for a unit of competency	<b>01</b> -Means that this is the first version of this Learning Module of Instruction.	
	In this case, it means that this learning module of Instruction has been developed for the 8 <sup>th</sup> unit of competency in the competency standard for the qualification Certificate Cabinet Maker Level III and this is the first Learning Module of Instruction.		

The code of each Learning Element links it to the Learning Module of Instruction for which it was developed. It is divided in three parts, i) the Learning Module of Instruction source code and ii) the Learning Element number, and iii) Issue no. Example:

#### **Learning Element: Receiving Supporting Documents**

CODE:	742.7422.031.001.01.	-01-01

Issue No. 01

How are you going to interpret the code for this Learning Element? It is explained in the table below:

742.7422.031.001.01.01	01	01
Learning Module of Instruction Code	Learning Element number	Issue no.
Learning Module of Instruction code. Title "Recording Supporting Documents" in the competency standard for Cabinet Maker Level III	O1- This is the first Learning Element contained in this Learning Module of Instruction.  A number of Learning Element may be contained in a Learning Module of Instruction.	<b>01</b> -Means that this is the first version of this Learning Element.

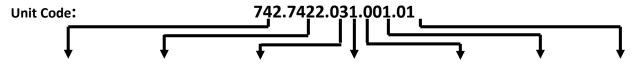
For further information the coding system for each unit of competency is explained below. You may choose to skip this section, otherwise it is recommended to examine this section for better appreciation of the codes in this Modular Training Package.

The code for each unit of competency is composed of numeric characters. It begins with a 3-digit numeric code based on the ISCO 88 occupational minor group code followed a 4-digit numeric code based on ISCO 88 occupational unit group code. After which is the competency field or functional area code in single digit. The various field of competency for this specific competency standard can be found in Table 1 below.

The remaining characters in the unit code, identifies the LNVQF level, type of competency, unit sequence and unit of competency version. The details of the coding system are shown in the chart below. The coding of each unit of competency refers to the format proposed by the STVET Project as follows: `

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Unit of Competency: Prepare work plan



SECTOR	SUB-SECTOR	SECTOR FIELD	LEVEL	GROUP	UNIT NUMBER	VERSION
ISCO 88  Occupational Minor Group Code	ISCO 88  Occupational Unit Group Code	Competency Field/ Functional Area	LNVQ level where the Unit of Competency was developed for.	Unit of Competency type	Series number of the Unit	Version number of the unit
742	7422	0	3	1	001	01

#### **DEFINITION:**

	Three (3) digit numeric in Arabic. Refers to the ISCO 88 Occupational Minor Group			
SECTOR	code where the identified job could be classified under.			
	Example: 742-wood treaters			
	Four(4) digit numeric in Arabic. Refers to the ISCO 88 Occupational Unit Group code			
SUB-SECTOR	where the identified job may correspond to.			
	Example: 7422-Cabinet maker			
	Single digit numeric in Arabic. Identifies the competency field or functional area.			
	Complete listing of identified field/functional area of the units of competency of this			
SECTOR FIELD	qualification is shown in Table 1.			
	Example:3- Produce components of the cabinet			
	Single digit numeric in Arabic. Identifies the competency standard LNVQ level where			
	the unit of competency was originally developed for. The range is 1 to 5 corresponding			
LEVEL	to the levels in the LNVQF.			
	Example: 3- This unit of competency was originally developed for Level 3 qualification			

	<b>Single digit numeric in Arabic</b> . Refers to the type of competency. The identified unit of competency maybe classified as follows:
GROUP	1- BASIC Units
	2- COMMON Units 3- CORE Units
	Example: 3- This unit of competency is a core competency
	Three (3) digit numeric in Arabic. Refers to the series number of the unit of
UNIT NUMBER	competency as listed in the competency standard.
	Example:010- The 10 <sup>th</sup> unit of competency listed in this competency standard
Two (2) digit numeric in Arabic. Refers to the version number of the uni	
VERSION	01, 02, 03 and so on.
	Example:01- This is the 1 <sup>st</sup> version on this unit of competency

For this competency standard the identified field/functional area of the units of competency is shown below with the corresponding codes.

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