

Definition of NVQ – Performing Manufacturing Operations

NVQs and Apprenticeships are organised into levels, based on the competences required. The following definition provides a general guide to the requirements to this particular NVQ level.

Performing Manufacturing Operations Level 2

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Units requirement

- 2 Mandatory,
- 3 Optional,
- 1 Job specific

The main objective of the qualification is to contribute to the development of a skilled workforce within the organisation as a whole. Where possible this may be done by integrating the NVQ programme into the organisation's personnel and business management system. Successful completion of the NVQ programme recognises the competence of the people who make up the workforce at all levels.

This NVQ builds upon the skills developed through candidates' job and builds on skills already existing. The award covers work load management and controlling manufacturing operations as well as optional units including quality control or producing finished products.

To achieve this qualification candidates do not have to leave their workplace and there are no set deadlines for completion. Candidates will be asked to perform tasks that are part of their usual working day, as well as ones that are not, that way they will feel confident in all areas of their job.

This is a versatile and flexible award for all manufacturing activities and processes, incorporating a wide variety of materials and production methods, using consistent assessment methods and standards, particularly in restricted environments and supported activities.

The qualification is designed to cover all materials (textile, metal, wood, plastics, glass, etc) and production methods used in the production process. As an example, joining could be welding, gluing, wood joinery, heat fusion etc.