

CERTIFICATE SUPPLEMENT (*)



1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)

Furniture manufacturer

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (IS)

Húsgagnasmiður - húsgagnasmíði

This translation has no legal status

3. PROFILE OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

The holder

- makes board and frame furniture, furniture for sitting on, exterior doors and windows. Makes and fits units, interior doors
 and wooden staircases. Veneers, rubs down and treats the surface. Puts cladding on floors, walls and ceilings inside
- knows the principle and follows regulation on sound awareness and fire protection
- evaluates the need and looks after the maintenance and renovation of furniture, fittings and interior woodwork. Knows and adheres to the law and regulation of protection and preservation of buildings and is familiar with traditional building methods and handiwork
- determines the suitable methods, work procedures, tools and materials to use in each case. Is familiar with the
 characteristics of materials and the relevant power pressures as well as how to use computer-aided woodworking
 machinery. Knows basic chromatics and morphology and the major style periods
- is able to read drawings and detail drawings of specific furniture and fittings. Designs furniture and fittings and draws detailed drawings and finishing—either by hand or using CAD software
- knows and adheres to law and regulation on facilities, health and safety in the workplace. Follows safety-and health procedures for workplaces, e.g. by using the appropriate safety equipment
- Is familiar with the principles of sustainability and environmental protection and follows eco-friendly standards when selecting materials and working methods and rules on the handling and use of dangerous substances
- is aware of his/hers professional responsibilities, knows quality requirements and quality systems and is able to guide others, such as apprentices and consumers, on professional matters
- is able to describe the range of responsibilities that Masters of the Trade hold and their role. Is familiar with the procedures from the time of tender process until final delivery and can prepare projects for mass production. Has an insight into the running and organising of companies.

4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE

The work performed by furniture manufacturers is founded on ideas by designers or on their own drawings. They select materials and process them using hand tools or machines, assemble them and treat the surface. In addition to new constructions and simpler repairs, furniture manufacturers refurbish old furniture. They work in specialised carpentry shops or shops owned by construction companies, perform maintenance and renovations for public institutions, construct stage sets or props and work in companies related to the metal industry, performing work such as constructing fittings for fishing vessels. Furniture manufacturers also work in consultation, sales and promotion with regard to furniture and fittings. Authorised to work as furniture manufacturers are those who have earned a journeyman's certificate in furniture manufacturing, issued by the Minister of Trade and Innovation.

(*) Explanatory note

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications, Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates, and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons Undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers. More information on transparency is available at: www.cedefop.eu.int/transparency © European Communities 2002

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE	
Name and status of the body awarding the certificate An Icelandic upper secondary school operating on the basis of the Upper Secondary School Act and the National Curriculum for Upper Secondary Schools, issued by the Minister of Education, Science and Culture.	Name and position of governing body or region that looks after certifying or confirming the certificate The Ministry of Education, Science and Culture
Level of the certificate (national or international) Upper secondary school level Isced 3 Icelandic Qualifications Framework (ISQF) Level 3 – EQF Level 4	Grading scale / Pass requirements 1-10 Passing grade 5.
Examples of further educational opportunities Studies for master of crafts examination, additional studies for matriculation or technical studies	International agreements

Legal basis

The Upper Secondary School Act no. 92/2008, regulation regarding journeyman's examination no. 698/2009 The Industrial Act no. 42/1978 and regulations on Authorised Branches of Industry no. 940/1999

6. FRAMEWORK AND ORGANISATION OF TRAINING

The average duration of the education and training programme is four years, organised as follows: formal education for five school terms, or 90 weeks including examinations, and 72 weeks of on-the-job training. The programme concludes with a journeyman's examination.

Entry requirements

To have passed final exams of compulsory education

Additional information

Further information may be found on http://eng.menntamalaraduneyti.is

National reference point

The Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, http://eng.menntamalaraduneyti.is