



CERTIFICATE SUPPLEMENT (*)



1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE ()

Graphical designer, graphical design

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (IS)

Prentsmiður

This translation has no legal status.

3. DESCRIPTION OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

The holder

- Is familiar with the main qualities and workings of materials used in graphical design, knows the correct handling of those and understands the possible dangers and environmental effects they may have
- Is familiar with and knows the correct application of all major machines and tools that graphical designers use in their work, as well as their maintenance and care
- Is familiar with safety precautions in the workplace and arranges his or her work in such a way that health and safety, of self and others, is not at risk
- Can design material for print and media monitors
- Knows good working practices in the development of graphical design ideas
- Can interpret his or her work and the work of others
- Can process text and perform lay-out for print publication or electronic publishing
- Can work with different types of text ensuring that it is clear and readable and that the lay-out suits its meaning
- Knows different types of fonts and can select and use them so that they suit different materials and circumstances
- Is proficient in the use of common software for design and lay-out
- Can receive images and process them for publication in print or on a screen and knows how to scan and process images in a computer
- Is familiar with methods in color dissemination and the co-ordination of images being processed
- Is familiar with how to save and search in image banks, knows how to use image banks and knows the main methods used in picture editing
- Is familiar with the entire graphical design process in companies, from reception to the finishing of material
- Knows the role of graphical communication within printing and IT media.
- Is able to receive material in the most common applications and prepare it for further processing
- Is familiar with the main emphases in processing and quality control in print media and other media
- Knows how to work in a network environment, in a group network system, using a network server, and online

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

A graphical designer designs all main types of printed matter and gets them ready for publishing (preparation). He or she also looks after the design of artefacts for computer or TV screens. A graphical designer works primarily in printing companies, advertising agencies and as art directors for television and electronic media. A large part of work consists in layout and design, working with images and text. Authorised to work as graphical designers are those who have earned a journeyman's certificate in graphical design, issued by the Minister of Industry and Trade.

(*) 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

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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	Grading scale / Pass requirements 1-10 Passing grade 5.
Access to next level of education/training Additional studies for matriculation, studies for a master examination 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 three years, organised as follows: formal education for four school terms, or 72 weeks including examinations, followed by 48 weeks of on-the-job training. The programme concludes with a journeyman's examination.

Entry requirements

Primary school graduation certificate

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/>