

Bed Manufacturers work in factory environments where the ability to work to agreed targets in terms of output and quality standards is essential. Manufacturers often work shift systems and the seasonality of the industry, plus peaks and troughs in orders, often demands over-time working. As a bed manufacturer you may be involved in mattress making or divan & headboard making.

Skills, interests and qualities

- good practical skills and some mechanical knowledge
- the ability to follow detailed instructions
- good levels of concentration and attention to detail
- a safety-conscious approach to work
- the ability to work both on your own and in a team
- good maths skills to make calculations and take measurements

What training will I receive?

As an **bed manufacturer** you will be following a comprehensive training programme.

As a mattress maker, training can cover elements such as spring making, preparing for and carrying out mattress quilting operations, setting up machinery to carry out tape edging and stitching components. You may also cover cutting fabric and components for panels, sewing, assembly and tufting.

As a divan/headboard maker training may include learning how to prepare and upholster headboards/finish divans, produce hand/machine sewn components and operate CNC machinery to produce shaped headboards. You may also learn things like operating and maintaining machinery, preparing and cutting fabric, frame assembly or producing ottoman/adjustable beds



When do I attend training?

Training can be organised to suit the needs of employers and can consist of attending on a day release or block release five times per year.

What will I get at the end of my programme?

Throughout your training programme you will need to prove your ability in at least two of the following requirements:-

For mattress making -

- Spring making
- Quilting
- Tape edging
- Hand side stitching

For divan and headboard making-

- Sewing
- Headboard Upholstery
- Upholstery
- CNC Routing

Plus Two additional requirements chosen by the employer from the following:

For mattress making - Panel cutting, Sewing borders / labels, Mattress assembly and Tufting.

For divan and headboard making- Wood machining, Laying and cutting fabrics, Frame making, Drawer making and Ottoman / adjustable bed frames

Plus improving Functional Skills in English and maths (where appropriate)

On successful completion you will have achieved the Level 2 Standard in Bed Manufacturing

Progression Opportunities

With a level 2 apprenticeship, you can start working towards the advanced level 3. You may want to develop your skills to the next level and start to think about becoming a team leader or even a supervisor. This qualification will help you to develop and nurture the skills you already have and enable you to pass on your experience to others.

How do I apply?

There are several ways to apply:

- contact the recruitment team on 0115 9677771 or write to us at WEBS Training Ltd, The Poplars, Wollaton Road Beeston NG9 2PD
- e.mail us at info@webstraining.com
- submit an enquiry via the website at www.webstraining.com

