

Furniture Finishers (Polishers)

A Furniture Finisher will prepare and treat a wide range of timbers and man-made boards, using a range of techniques. Items to be finished could range from tables, chairs, lounge suites, cabinets, chests of drawers, kitchen units and shop fittings. They may also work on fitted items such as staircases, wall panels and doors, and on musical instruments like pianos. If you love working with wood this highly skilled job could be perfect for you. Most furniture finishing is done by pressure spray application, but hand polishing & other machine applications can be used. This is a skilled occupation where you need to be creative, organised, have a good eye for colour and show attention to detail. Apprentices who master this skill see the finished furniture items come to life.

To be a furniture finisher, you should have a patient approach. You should have good practical skills. You should also have great customer service skills.

Skills, interests and qualities

- a methodical and patient approach
- simple carpentry and other practical skills
- the ability to calculate quantities and estimate costs
- customer service skills
- the ability to deal with paperwork, especially if self-employed.

What training will I receive?

As **Furniture Finisher (Polisher)** you will be following a comprehensive training programme which offers training in a variety of skills in the mixing and applying stains and finishes to wooden furniture.

Training covers the use of relevant tools and equipment using modern and hand spray finishing techniques and a range of lacquers, stains and colours. It will also involve you in the preparation of furniture products for staining and sealing before moving on to final coating ready for distribution to the customer. You will also cover aspects of health and safety including the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)

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 the programme?

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

- Finishing Requirements
- Prepare furniture for finishing
- Finishing applications
- Colour match

Decorative & specialist effects

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

On successful completion you will have achieved the Level 2 Standard in Furniture Finishing

Progression Opportunities

You could be self-employed or work with a furniture restorer or antique dealer.

You may also find employment with larger firms such as furniture manufacturers or hotel groups. With experience this could lead to progression to a supervisory or management job.

How Do I Apply?

There are several ways to apply:

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

