

**Recommended Qualification Structure (RQS)  
for  
Decorative Finishing – Painter and Decorator  
(Construction)  
Level 3**

This structure has been recommended by employers and stakeholders from the above occupational area for organisations to form the basis of academic capability and competence outcomes. Qualifications with a competence outcome at the above level must have units derived from the following National Occupational Standards (NOS) and consist of the mandatory and optional groups as stated.

**MANDATORY**

- VR209v2 Confirm work activities and resources for the work
- VR210v3 Develop and maintain good working relationships
- VR211v2 Confirm the occupational method of work
- VR250v2 Erect and dismantle access/working platforms
- VR332v4 Prepare surfaces for painting and decorating
- VR333v4 Apply surface coatings by brush and roller
- VR641v2 Conform to general workplace health, safety and welfare

**Plus one from the following**

- VR336v3 Hang wallcoverings (standard and foundation papers)
- VR337v3 Hang non-standard width wallcoverings

**Plus optional (one from the following)**

- VR339v3 Apply coatings by the airless spray method
- VR340v3 Apply coatings by the air spray method
- VR342v4 Produce and apply complex stencils
- VR343v3 Hang wallcoverings to complex surfaces
- VR346v3 Hang wallcoverings (specialised papers)
- VR347v3 Produce comb textured finishes
- VR348v4 Apply metal leaf to surfaces
- VR646v2 Install coving and decorative mouldings
- VR647v2 Apply coatings to produce textured finishes
- VR648v2 Produce broken colour effects
- VR649v2 Produce stencilled designs using pre-cut stencil plates
- VR650v2 Produce straight grained effects
- VR651v2 Produce quality replica grained finishes
- VR652v2 Produce marbling effects
- VR653v2 Produce quality replica marble finishes

**(Total 9)**

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## Simulation Information from 01/07/2019

Evidence for competence qualifications and units derived from the following National Occupational Standards (NOS) must be work-based. Simulation is only allowed for the additional information items as detailed below. For a competence outcome, simulation must be conducted in accordance with the Construction Consolidated Assessment Strategy.

VR332	Additional information item 10, 10.1 & 10.2 of Performance Criteria 5	Decorative Finishing Occupations	L2
VR336	Additional information item 9, 9.1 & 9.2 of Performance Criteria 5	Decorative Finishing Occupations	L2
VR337	Additional information item 9 of Performance Criteria 5	Decorative Finishing Occupations	L2

## Unit endorsements for Decorative Finishing Occupations – Painter and Decorator Level 3

Where industry requests; qualifications can be endorsed to show an option route and the type of resources and/or activities that relate to the unit. Listed below are the endorsements that can apply for units derived from the following NOS.

NOS	Endorsement
VR250	Two or more of the following: Ladders/crawler boards Step ladders/platform steps Proprietary towers Trestle platforms Mobile scaffold towers Proprietary staging/podiums
VR342	One of the following: Linear run work and/or Broad area applications
VR343	Three or more of the following: including at least one with matching patterned paper Sloping ceilings Free-standing column and or pillars Stairwells Ceilings (above average span) Alcoves and/or niches and/or arches Complex structural wall features including internal and external angles
VR648	Two or more of the following: Rag-rolling Bagging Dragging Brush or sponge stippling Wiping-off relief surfaces Colour washing
VR651	Two or more of the following: Oak quarter sawn Oak heartwood Oak straight grain Plus two or more of the following: Mahogany heartwood Mahogany straight grain Mahogany feather cut
VR653	Two or more of the following: Carrara Verte De Mer Sienna

**Note:** Where industry requests an Awarding Organisation to further endorse a unit, the Awarding Organisation must first seek approval from the Standards Setting Body to ensure the endorsement is appropriate to the unit.