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**Jewellery**

**Competition Brief**

Enter online by 30th June 2008

entry requirements	
<b>Who can enter?</b>	Level 3
<b>Individual and/or team event?</b>	Individual
<b>What type of competition 'live' or 'mixed'</b>	<p>This competition is a 2 day 'live' competition</p> <p><i>Accommodation and travel expenses will be paid for the finalists selected to compete at the 2 day UK final.</i></p>
<b>How many competitors can enter?</b>	5 competitors per organisation
<b>Competition structure</b>	<p><b>Step 1</b> Register for this competition at <a href="http://www.worldskillsuk.org">www.worldskillsuk.org</a> by <b>30<sup>th</sup> June 2008</b></p> <p><b>Step 2</b> <b>Send back your completed screening test by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2008 to <a href="mailto:Melanie.carter@ukskills.org">Melanie.carter@ukskills.org</a></b></p> <p><b>Step 3</b> UK 'live' Competition takes place at Birmingham School of Jewellery on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July 2008.</p> <p>Top performers in the UK Competition may have the opportunity to be put forward to an international WorldSkills Competition in Calgary 2009 or London 2011 *</p>

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**\*Please note that the process of selecting and preparing competitors for a WorldSkills Competition is long and rigorous. Subject to eligibility, outstanding winners of relevant UK/National Finals will be long listed, after which they will be assessed alongside other contenders in accordance with our selection procedures.**

**For those wishing to be selected for the WorldSkills competition in 2009, competitors must be born on or after 1 January 1987**

## contact details

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## competition description

### **Manufacture a piece of Jewellery**

The competition will be of 2 days duration. The competition is designed to test the practical competence of Jewellery Makers.

Entrants will be asked to complete a task which will involve making a piece of jewellery to a given specification within 14 hours over the 2 days.

The competition will cover the interpretation of a written practical brief where the

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competitor will construct a piece of jewellery and be judged on the similarity to the drawing; sawing; soldering; surface finish and dimensions.

The Practical brief will be issued to entrants at the beginning of the competition and time will be allowed for candidates to familiarise themselves with the task presented.

This competition is set to WorldSkills standards and will give competitors the opportunity to test their skills against other jewellery makers in the UK. National winners could have the opportunity to enter the WorldSkills competition in Calgary 2009.

**Candidates should be aware of the following:**

- Standard silver sheet and wire appropriate to the requirements of the test will be provided.
- Candidates should bring their own basic hand tools; solders and fluxes; preferred soldering supports; abrasive papers; mops and burrs; hand-held propane torch if required.
- The workshop will be equipped with five gas/air torches at the bench plus larger hearths with fire bricks on a turntable; pickle ultra-sonic cleaning and polishing facilities; micro-weld machine and flexible-shaft pendant motors.
- Tools available in the workshop will include: drawplates and tongs, doming blocks and punches, collet plates and punches, steel flat plates, stakes and mandrels, hammers, mallets and sandbags.

**Judges will award points for:**

A maximum of 100 marks may be achieved. Marks will be deducted for elements which are achieved but out with the stated tolerances.

## judging

A panel of judges have been drawn from industry, further education, higher education and training providers. The judges' decisions will be independently moderated and quality assured before being confirmed.

## rules

Competitors will need to bring their own tools to use at the competition

## what happens next?

<b>Step 1</b>	Register interest
	Receive username and password via email
<b>Step 2</b>	Select competitions to enter
<b>Step 3</b>	Enter competitions & confirm competitors – enter by 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2008
<b>Step 4</b>	Competitors entering 'live' competitions will receive venue confirmation during March 2008
<b>Step 5</b>	All competitors will receive either certificates of participation or winning certificates.

**If competitors are unable to attend competitions they must cancel their entry by 11<sup>th</sup> April 2008 to prevent cancellation charges (see competition rules for further details)**

To be eligible to enter the WorldSkills Competition 2009, Canada, competitors must be born on or after 1 January 1987. For competitors interested in entering WorldSkills 2011 in London, competitors must be born on or after 1 January 1989.

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