

Materials Design and Technology

Resource lists—Introduction

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Selection guidelines

The selection of resources is the responsibility of each school and the following points need to be considered at all times:

- The lists are recommendations only and are not exhaustive. Each school should decide on specific titles for their students in consultation with their school community and sector guidelines.
- Some courses have set texts. Check the current syllabus.
- The recommended resources are to be used to support teaching and learning only and not as a substitute for the syllabus; the syllabus is what is used to develop examination questions and all teaching should be directly linked to the syllabus.
- Any selection process requires the use of the current syllabus. Syllabus documents are subject to changes. Users who download and print copies of a syllabus are responsible for checking for updates. Advice about any changes made is provided through the School Curriculum and Standards Authority communication process.
- The perspectives and views expressed in the resources are not endorsed as such but are provided for classroom discussion and comparison within the context of appropriate teaching and learning activities. Some resources need to be used with sensitivity and care.

Types of resource lists

The following resource lists are provided for this course: Introduction which includes Guidelines, Process, Professional Associations/Suppliers and Journals; Print materials; Multimedia; Websites and a combined list for printing.

Selection process

Step 1: Read the current syllabus

Check the School Curriculum and Standards Authority website to see if you have the current syllabus; check the eCircular to see if any minor changes have been made.

Step 2: Narrow the choice of resources to match the decisions made by your school. Check the following:

- which stage/s does your school offer – Stage 1, 2 or 3 or P units?
- which units are being offered – 2A and 2B, 3A and 3B ?
- which units are being taught this semester/year?
- what is the focus of the units being taught?
- what are the context/s being taught?
For Materials Design and Technology the contexts are Metal, Textiles and Wood for all stages and units. Check the syllabus.

Step 3: Some of these resources may be in your school. Check your library and the relevant learning area library.

Step 4: Check if the course has set texts

There are no set texts for Materials Design and Technology.

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Professional Associations

- <http://www.dattawa.org/>
Design and Technology Teachers' Assoc. (WA) Inc.
- <http://heiawa.com.au/>
Western Australian Division of the Home Economics Institute of Australia
- [Technology Education Federation of Australia](#)
- [Industrial Technology and Design Teachers' Association](#)

State Courses and Documents

Relevant information can be found in interstate curriculum. For example,

- **NSW HSC Online**
<http://hsc.csu.edu.au/>
Sydney: NSW HSC Online courses of study
[Design and Technology](#) [NSW]
[Industrial Technology](#) [NSW]
[Textiles and Design](#) [NSW]
- **Victorian Curriculum and Assessment Authority**
<http://www.vcaa.vic.edu.au/vce/studies/designtech/destechindex.html>
- **Queensland Studies Authority**
<http://www.qsa.qld.edu.au/2161.html>
- **South Australian Curriculum Standards and Accountability**
http://www.sacsa.sa.edu.au/index_fsrc.asp?t=LA