

# Branch: Leatherwork



**Code:** LEATHER

**Option:** Leatherworker

**Level :** CP

**Prerequisites :** Primary school leaving certificate

**Opportunities :**

Leather goods assembler

Cutter

Glove maker

Tailor

Prototypist

Leather goods saddler.

## **Description**

This professional works with leather but also with other materials (leather goods, textiles, scales, bone, synthetic) used in the manufacture of bags, purses, wallets, luggage, belts. He/she knows how to use different equipment (sewing, trimming, splitting, sanding machines) and ensures first-level maintenance. They trim, finish the edges and fit accessories. They work individually, in packs or in batches. He/she knows the assembly and mounting techniques. He/she knows the production costs of the products. He takes into account the quality criteria of the product. Their training is based on the history of fashion and accessories. It requires a high level of qualification, given the great diversity of

products, the high aesthetic quality, the nobility of the materials and the technical requirements of the production.

The student learns to participate in the elaboration of a product by model, drawing, pattern, adaptation or transformation. He/she learns to adjust materials, carry out cutting, assembly and finishing operations. They must know the characteristics relating to the nature and aesthetics of the product, the origin and appearance of the materials. They learn to interpret fashion sketches or manual or computerised drawings. Finally, he/she knows numerous preparation techniques (trimming, reinforcing, gluing, padding, threading), assembly (channel, reverse), finishing (fitting of accessories, polishing).

**Quality and competences :**

Patience, rigour and precision are essential qualities for becoming a leatherworker. Good visual acuity and a certain sense of touch are also desirable.