

**1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE) <sup>(1)</sup>**

**Lehrabschlussprüfungszeugnis Maler- und Beschichtungstechnik**

<sup>(1)</sup> in original language

**2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN) <sup>(2)</sup>**

**Certificate of Apprenticeship "Painting and Coating Technology" (f/m)**

<sup>(2)</sup> This translation has no legal status.

**3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES**
**Specialist areas of competence:**

1. The specialist in painting and coating technology applies base, intermediate and final coatings to various materials such as wood and wood-based materials, masonry, plaster, concrete, lightweight panels, metals, plastics and glass for the purposes of beautification and protection against weathering, and marks the corresponding surfaces (e.g. with lettering). Among other things, he/she also manufactures wall, floor and ceiling coverings (e.g. textiles, wallpaper, fleece, fabric). The specialist is familiar with the different compositions of paints and varnishes depending on their intended use (e.g. emulsion, glue or mineral paints, lime, clay and loam for wall painting, synthetic resin, nitro, acrylic or polyester lacquers/varnishes for painting wood or metal, anti-rust paints, impregnating paints for natural wood, coatings for containers or swimming pools, or suitable exterior paints for façades or monuments).

2. The specialist selects the necessary materials and prepares the appropriate tools and machines. Before starting work, he/she checks the surfaces for damage such as moisture, cracks or unevenness in the substrate, rust formation on metal surfaces, etc. He/she removes old layers of paint and coatings using paint strippers, burning or scraping, eliminates unevenness and cracks with fillers and sealants or reinforcements, and smooths the substrate. He/she then applies primers to improve the adhesion of the paint and increase its resistance.

3. The specialist applies the paints by hand using brushes, rollers or spray equipment, paints and varnishes wooden and metal surfaces and, if desired, applies (prefabricated) decorations and decorative elements. For the purpose of thermal insulation (e.g. composite thermal insulation systems, calcium silicate boards), he/she also applies special insulating coatings and treats wooden surfaces by sealing, waxing, polishing or oiling.

**Interdisciplinary areas of competence:**

- Working in an operational and professional environment
- Quality oriented, safe and sustainable work
- Digital work

**4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE <sup>(3)</sup>**
**Range of occupations:**

Employment in small and medium-sized companies of the painter's and decorator's trade, companies of the construction industry and ancillary construction trades, public bodies (Federal Office for the Preservation of Monuments) and companies specialising in façade renovation or monument preservation

<sup>(3)</sup> if applicable

**(\*) Explanatory note**

This document has been developed with a view to providing additional information on individual certificates; it has no legal effect in its own right. These explanatory notes refer to the Decision (EU) 2018/646 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 April 2018 on a common framework for the provision of better services for skills and qualifications (Europass).

More information on Europass is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> or [www.europass.at](http://www.europass.at)

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE	
<b>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate</b> Lehrlingsstelle der Wirtschaftskammer  (Apprenticeship Office of the Economic Chamber; for the address, see certificate)	<b>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate</b>  Bundesministerium für Wirtschaft, Energie und Tourismus (Federal Ministry for Economy, Energy and Tourism)
<b>Level of the certificate (national or international)</b>  NQF/EQF 4 ISCED 35	<b>Grading scale / Pass requirements</b>  Overall performance: Pass with Distinction Good Pass Pass Fail
<b>Access to next level of education/training</b> Access to the <i>Berufsreifeprüfung</i> (i.e. certificate providing university access for skilled workers) or a vocational college for people under employment. Access to relevant courses at a university of applied science ( <i>Fachhochschule</i> : university level study programme of at least three years' duration with vocational-technical orientation); additional examinations must be taken if the educational objective of the respective course requires it.	<b>International agreements</b> Between Germany, Hungary, South Tyrol and Austria, international agreements on the mutual automatic recognition of apprenticeship-leave examinations and other vocational qualifications have been concluded. Information on equivalent apprenticeship occupations can be obtained from the Federal Ministry for Economy, Energy and Tourism.
<b>Legal basis</b> 1. Training Regulation for Painting and Coating Technology BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 141/2025 (company-based training) 2. Curriculum framework (education at the vocational school for apprentices) 3. The present apprenticeship trade replaces the apprenticeship trade Painter and Coating Technician Specialising in Decoration Painting Technique (Training and Examination Regulation BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 181/2012), which expired as of 30 of June 2025.	

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE
1. Training in the framework of the given Training Regulation for Painting and Coating Technology and of the curriculum of the vocational school for apprentices. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination upon completion of the apprenticeship period specified for the apprenticeship trade concerned. The final apprenticeship examination aims to establish whether the apprentice has acquired the skills and competences required for the respective apprenticeship trade and is able to carry out the activities particular to the learned trade herself/himself in an appropriate manner. 2. Admission to the final apprenticeship examination in accordance with Article 23 (5) of the <i>Berufsausbildungsgesetz</i> (Vocational Training Act). An applicant for an examination is entitled to sit the final apprenticeship examination without completing a formal apprenticeship training if she/he has reached 18 years of age and is able to prove acquisition of the required skills and competences by means of a relevant practical or an on-the-job training activity of appropriate length, by attending relevant courses etc.
<b>Additional information:</b>  <b>Entry requirements:</b> successful completion of 9 years of compulsory schooling  <b>Duration of training:</b> 3 years  <b>Enterprise-based training:</b> Enterprise-based training comprises $\frac{4}{5}$ of the entire duration of the training and focuses on the provision of job-specific skills and competences according to Article 3 of the Training Regulation, BGBl. II (Federal Law Gazette) No. 141/2025, enabling the apprentice to exercise qualified activities as defined by the profile of skills and competences specified above (cf. job profile).  <b>Education at vocational school:</b> School-based education comprises $\frac{1}{5}$ of the entire duration of the training. The vocational school for apprentices has the tasks of imparting to apprentices the basic theoretical knowledge, of supplementing their enterprise-based training and of widening their general education in the framework of subject-oriented part-time instruction.  <b>More information</b> (including a description of the national qualification system) is available at: <a href="http://www.zeugnisinfo.at">www.zeugnisinfo.at</a> and <a href="http://www.edusystem.at">www.edusystem.at</a>  <b>National Europass Centre:</b> <a href="mailto:europass@oead.at">europass@oead.at</a> Ebendorferstraße 7, A-1010 Vienna; Tel. + 43 1 53408-684