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List of Abbreviations

The following table describes the significance of various abbreviations and acronyms used throughout the thesis.

AAD	The Archive of Art and Design
AHDS	The Arts and Humanities Data Service
AHRC	The Arts and Humanities Research Council
ASWM	The Amalgamated Society of Wood-cutting Machinists
AUU	The Amalgamated Union of Upholsters
BCMI	‘Britain Can Make It’ exhibition
BFM	British Furniture Manufacturer
CC41	Civilian Clothing 1941 – The Utility Scheme Mark
CNC	Computer Numerical Control
COID	Council of Industrial Design
COSHH	Control of Substances Hazardous to Health
CWS	Co-operative Wholesale Society
DHSS	Department of Health and Social Security
DTI	Department for Trade and Industry
ENT	Ear, Nose and Throat specialist
FDC	Furniture Development Council
FIRA	Furniture Industry Research Association
FPRL	Forest Products Research Laboratory
FTAT	The Furniture, Timber and Allied Trades Union
HP	Hire Purchase
HWeFA	High Wycombe Electronic Furniture Archive
HWFA	High Wycombe Furniture Archive (analogue content)
HSE	Health & Safety Executive
LEV	Local Exhaust Ventilation
MDF	Medium Density Fibreboard
MEL	Maximum Exposure Limit
NAFTA	National Amalgamated Furnishings Trades Association
NOMIS	National Online Manpower Information System - Official Labour Market Statistics
NSF	The National School of Furniture
NUFTO	National Union of Furniture Trades Operatives
ONS	Office for National Statistics
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
SEEDA	The South East England Development Agency
SWOP	Sharing Wycombe’s Old Photographs
UFAC	Utility Furniture Advisory Committee
VADS	Visual Arts Data Service
V&A	The Victoria and Albert Museum
WEL	Workplace Exposure Limit