



ITEC Level 3 Award in Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks QAN 600/6520/5 Specification

Aims and Objectives

The main aim of the ITEC Level 3 Award in Cut Men's Hair to Achieve a Variety of Looks is to enable the Learner the ability to provide cutting services and gain the necessary practical skills and knowledge required by the Barbering Industry. The qualification is suitable for Learners aged 16 and over and is designed to provide occupational competence at Level 3. It also provides a sound platform into further learning at Level 3 or Level 4

Content

This qualification is for Learners who want to work within the Hairdressing and Barbering Industry. The qualification consists of 1 mandatory unit; covering a minimum of 44 hours of Guided Learning (GL) to achieve the full qualification

The main skills the Learner will perform are:

- To provide men's cutting services – to prepare and provide a variety of cutting services to meet client requirements

The Learner will also develop knowledge about related health and safety, client care, communication skills and providing aftercare advice which are essential to work and being successful in the Hairdressing and Barbering Industry

This qualification also provides:

- Opportunities for staff in the Barbering Industry to gain CPD at Level 3 the related knowledge and understanding required to perform the skills outlined above
- Opportunities for Learners to develop a range of skills, techniques, personal qualities and attitudes essential for successful performance in employment in the Hairdressing and Barbering Industry

Why Choose the ITEC Level 3 Award in Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks?

1. This qualification combines the range of skills and knowledge for the Learner seeking employment or self-employment as a Barber at Level 3
2. This qualification is listed on the OFQUAL Regulated Qualification Framework
3. This qualification contains all skills and knowledge required for providing cutting men's hair at Level 3
4. To provide opportunities for staff in the Barbering Industry to gain a Level 3 qualification
5. Learners may progress onto the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Barbering 601/5796/3, ITEC Award in Cut Facial Hair to Create a Variety of Looks 600/6531/X, ITEC Award in Provide Shaving Services 601/7657/X
6. This qualification does not form part of an Apprenticeship
7. This qualification is recognised by all relevant professional bodies within the Barbering Industry for membership and insurance purposes at Level 3

ITEC Unit Number	Mandatory Units	Credit Value	Guided Learning (GL)
616	Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks	5	44

Guided Learning for Mandatory Units – 44

Total Qualification Time for Mandatory Units – 54

Total Qualification Credit Value – 5

Guided Learning (GL)

Guided Learning is 'the activity of a Learner in being taught or instructed by – or otherwise participating in education or training under the immediate guidance or supervision of – a Lecturer, Supervisor, Tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training.' This includes 'the activity of being assessed if the assessment takes place under the immediate guidance or supervision of a Lecturer, Supervisor, Tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training'

Total Qualification Time (TQT)

Total Qualification Time is the number of notional hours which represents an estimate of the total amount of time that could reasonably be expected to be required in order for a Learner to achieve and demonstrate the achievement of the level of attainment necessary for the award of the qualification

Total Qualification Credit Value

The total Credit Value for the qualification is equal to one tenth of the Total Qualification Time rounded to the nearest whole number.

Assessment

This qualification will be internally and externally assessed using a range of assessment methods as set out in table 1 below:-

Table 1

ITEC Unit Number	Mandatory Units	Assessment	Grading
616	Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks	Portfolio of evidence 6 performances to be evidenced MCQ – paper or online	Pass/Refer Pass 60% - 74% Merit 75% - 89% Distinction 90% - 100%

All assessment criteria and sample assessment materials for this qualification can be found [here](#)

Grading of the Qualification

All assessment tasks required for each unit of the qualification (detailed in table above in this specification) must be completed and awarded a Pass mark before the complete qualification can be certificated

The overall qualification is graded - Pass - 60% - 74%, Merit - 75% - 89%, Distinction – 90%-100%. This is formed by the grading of the multiple-choice exam

Controlled Assessment

All theory tests must be conducted in a controlled environment and follow the procedures defined by ITEC [here](#). The theory tests will be set and marked by ITEC

All practical assessments must be conducted in a controlled environment as defined by ITEC [here](#). The internal assessments will be conducted by the Centre's Assessor/Internal Verifier(s) and will be sampled by the ITEC External Verifier; however, the Centre is responsible for ensuring the assessment can operate seamlessly by organising the process as defined by ITEC in the Lecturer/Assessor Guidance Notes [here](#).

Failure to operate ITEC Examinations as documented in the ITEC policies and guidance notes may result in sanction(s) against the Centre e.g., withdrawal by ITEC for a particular qualification and/or withdrawal of ITEC recognition from the Centre due to maladministration and/or malpractice. Please see our policy [here](#).

Recommended Prior Learning

It is recommended that Learners have achieved a level of education equivalent to five GCSEs at grades A*-C or the ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing prior to commencing the ITEC Level 3 Award in Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks, however, exemptions may be made for adult returners with experience of the workplace

Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 3 Award in Cut Men's Hair to Create a Variety of Looks they may progress on to other ITEC Awards, Certificates or Diplomas at Level 2 or 3, for example:

- Level 3 Certificate in Barbering
- Level 3 Award in Provide Shaving Services
- Level 3 Award in Cut Facial Hair to Create a Variety of Looks

For further Awards, Certificates and Diplomas please go to www.itecworld.co.uk

Opportunities for Employment

There are opportunities for Hairdressers to find employment in a variety of areas:

- Men's Hairdressing/Barber Shops
- Freelance Barbering Business

Relationship to National Occupational Standards

ITEC has mapped to National Occupational Standards where they exist and has ensured that best practice in the workplace has been reflected in the qualification. ITEC has linked the qualification to the relative job roles as well as ensuring that the qualification reflects the required level of knowledge and ability for the Barber at Level 3

Professional Body Membership and Insurance

The qualification was developed collaboratively with the Hair and Beauty Industry Authority (HABIA)

It is recognised for membership by:

- National Hairdressers' Federation (NHF)