



Purpose

ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology

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Aims and Objectives

The main aim of the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology is to enable Learners to gain the necessary practical and theoretical skills in order to provide Nail Treatments to the general public and to gain employment in the Nail Industry. This 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 training at Level 3 and 4

Content

This qualification is for Learners who want to work within the Nail Industry. The qualification consists of 9 mandatory units with a total of 409 hours of Guided Learning (GL) to achieve the full qualification

The main skills you will perform are:

- Care of the nails on the hand including hand massage and application of polish
- Care of the nails on the feet including foot massage and application of polish
- Applying and maintaining nail enhancements - liquid and powder, gel and wraps
- Designing and applying nail art
- The use of airbrushes in nail art design

You will also develop knowledge about the structure and functions of the nails and skin, contraindications to treatment, nail and skin analysis, related health and safety and client care and communication which is essential in order to work and be successful in the Industry

This qualification also provides:

- The related knowledge and understanding required to perform the nail treatments listed above as well as understanding the structures that the Learners will be working over in particular recognition of skin types, skin and nail diseases and reasons that may affect whether a client should or should not be treated
- Opportunities for Learners to focus on the development of their wider skills in a beauty therapy setting, such as communicating with clients, working with others and problem solving
- Opportunities for Learners to develop a range of skills, techniques, personal qualities and attitudes essential for successful performance in employment as a Nail Technician

Why Choose the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology?

1. This Qualification combines the full range of skills and knowledge for the Learner seeking employment or self-employment as a Nail Technician at Level 3. There are other ITEC Diplomas in Nail Technology at Level 3; however, this qualification does not contain electric nail files as these are seldom used in the Industry
2. This Qualification is listed in the Ofqual Register of Qualifications
3. This Qualification contains all the skills and knowledge required for employability at Level 3

4. Learners may progress on to Level 3 or 4 qualifications such as the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy and the ITEC Level 4 Diploma in Spa and Salon Management or an Apprenticeship at Level 3
5. This qualification does not form part of an Apprenticeship
6. This qualification is recognised by all relevant professional bodies within the Beauty Therapy and Nail Industry for membership and insurance purposes at Level 3

Opportunities for Employment

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

- Beauty/nail salons
- Nail bars
- Hotels
- Health clubs
- Spas
- Own business
- Cruise liners

Please see letters of support from the industry; [CThA](#), [FHT](#) and [BABTAC](#)

Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology they may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 3 or 4, for example:

- Level 3 Diploma in Massage and Electrotherapy
- Level 3 Diploma in Spa and Body Treatments
- Level 4 Diploma in Advanced Skincare
- Level 4 Diploma in Spa and Salon Management
- Level 4 Certificate in Laser and Light Treatment for Skin Rejuvenation
- Level 4 Certificate in Laser and Light Treatment for Hair Removal
- Level 4 Certificate in Micro-pigmentation Treatment

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

Professional Recognition

The qualification is recognised for membership by:

- British Association of Beauty Therapists and Cosmetologists (BABTAC)
- Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT)
- Complementary Therapists Association (CThA)

For further details regarding the content please see the qualification specification [here](#)