



ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy
QAN 600/6668/4
Learner Guidance Notes

General Advice

1. Requirements for Undertaking this Qualification

ITEC recommend that you should have achieved a level of education equivalent to five GCSEs at grade A*-C prior to commencing the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy; however, your Centre may make exemptions for adult returners with experience of the workplace

2. Structure of the Qualification, Guided Learning (GL)

The ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy is comprised of 1 mandatory unit with a total of 112 hours of Guided Learning (GL) in order to achieve the full qualification. However, you will also be required to complete further study and generate evidence of your learning in your own time. This is known as Total Qualification Time (TQT), please see Table 1 below:-

Table 1

ITEC Unit Number	Unit Title	Assessment	Grading
382	Provide Aromatherapy for Complementary Therapies	Practical examination	Pass – 60-74% Merit – 75-89% Distinction –90-100%
		Assignment 60 case studies	Pass or Refer Pass or Refer

Total Guided Learning (GL) - 112
Total Qualification Time (TQT) - 212
Total Credit Value for the Qualification - 21

3. Grading of the Qualification

All assessment tasks required for each unit of the qualification (detailed in Table 1 above) must be completed and awarded a Pass mark before the full qualification can be certificated

The overall qualification is graded - Pass - 60% - 74%, Merit - 75% - 89%, Distinction – 90%-100%. This is formed by the aggregate mark for the multiple-choice questions papers and the Final Practical Examination

Your results and Certificates will be sent to your Centre by ITEC. Therefore, you will need to collect your results and Certificates from your Centre

4. Assessment of the Qualification

The ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy will be internally and externally assessed using a variety of assessment methods as set out in Table 1 above

Once you have completed all the specified assessments for the qualification and your Lecturer has awarded a Pass mark for all the evidence you have submitted, you will have a Final External Practical Examination carried out by an ITEC Examiner, who will also verify a sample of all the evidence you have completed during your training to ensure it meets the ITEC standard

Practical Examination Sequence

Once all aspects of the mandatory units have been completed, you will complete a Final Internal Practical Assessment. This will be observed by your Lecturer using the ITEC Internal Assessment Forms. The results will be reviewed by the ITEC External Examiner on the day of your Final External Practical Examination

- a. You will perform the following treatments in sequence for your Internal and External Practical Examinations:
- b. Practical Examination sequence – approximately 1 hour

You will need to supply a client that can receive all the following treatments in order to complete your examination:-

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- Your client should be prepared in gowns prior to the examination
 - 15 minute consultation to include blending of oils
 - Your client should be helped onto the couch after the consultation, prior to the treatment and off at the end of the treatment
 - 45 minute massage to include one arm, one leg (front and back), abdomen, back, chest, neck, face and scalp in whatever order the Learner has been taught
 - Summary of the treatment and specific home/aftercare advice to be noted on the Consultation Form
- c. You will be asked oral questions during the Final Practical Examination
 - d. You will need to complete Consultation Forms for your client for each unit of the ITEC External Examination. They should be reviewed and completed at the end of the treatment and will be taken away by the Examiner
 - e. You will need to demonstrate excellent hygiene and client care throughout your examination as well as competence in all your skills
 - f. The ITEC Examiner may reduce the treatment timings, as the examination is a demonstration of your professionalism and your accomplished skills

Assignments

- a. Unit 382 is assessed by the completion of an assignment
- b. Your assignments form part of your internal assessment and should be assessed throughout your training by your Lecturer using the ITEC Guidance Forms
- c. The criteria for the assignments are detailed on the Assignment Guidance and Assessment Form
- d. Your Lecturer will complete the ITEC Assessment Forms and ensure they are ready for verification by the ITEC External Examiner
- e. The internal assessment(s) will be conducted by the Centre's Lecturer/Internal Verifier(s) and will be sampled by the ITEC External Verifier

Treatment Evidence/Case Studies

You are required to provide evidence of treatments that you have performed on clients during your training under the supervision of your Lecturer who will monitor the quality of your treatments in order to ensure that they meet the ITEC criteria

- The criteria are detailed on the Treatment Evidence Guidance Forms. They are graded Pass or Refer
- You will need to complete a Client Consultation Form as evidence that you performed the required number of treatments during your training (see Table 1) as they form part of your internal assessment for the qualification. They can be stored in your ITEC E-portfolio

5. Resources

Your Centre must provide a suitable environment for teaching the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy as well as all equipment both fixed and free standing to complete all aspects of the qualification. You may need to supply some consumables and/or towels in order to complete your training

6. Opportunities for Progression

Once you have achieved the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy you may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 3 or 4, for example:

- Level 3 Certificate in Indian Head Massage
- Level 3 Certificate in Stone Therapy Massage
- Level 3 Diploma in Massage
- Level 3 Diploma in Reflexology
- Level 3 Diploma in Yoga Teaching
- Level 3 Diploma in Thai Massage
- Level 3 Diploma in Infant and Child Massage
- Level 3 Diploma in Reiki
- Level 3 Diploma in Spa Treatments
- Level 4 Diploma in Spa and Salon Management
- Level 4 Certificate in Sports Massage Therapy

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

7. Professional Body Membership and Insurance

Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance can be obtained via The Complementary Therapist Association (www.CThA.com) and other Industry Associations who recognise the ITEC Diploma. The ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Aromatherapy also enables Graduates to apply for membership of The Complementary Therapist Association

8. Book List

A full book list can be found [here](#)