



Purpose

ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing (QAN 601/0148/9)

Aims and Objectives

The main aim of the ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing is to enable Learners to gain the necessary practical skills and knowledge in order to provide Hairdressing services to the general public and to gain employment in the Hairdressing Industry. The qualification is suitable for Learners aged 16 and over and is designed to provide occupational competence at Level 2. It also provides a sound platform into further training at Level 3

Content

This qualification is for Learners who want to work as Hairdressers within the Hairdressing Industry. The qualification consists of 6 core units which are mandatory. Learners must also select optional units covering a minimum of 43 Guided Learning Hours (GLH)

The main skills you will learn to perform are:

- Shampoo and Condition Hair – how to massage the hair and scalp correctly to cleanse condition and treat the client's hair
- Cut Women's Hair – develop basic cutting techniques to create a range of looks and recognition of critical influencing factors associated with cutting hair
- Colour Hair using a Variety of Techniques – includes developing a range of application skills for creating a variety of different looks and effects using permanent colour
- Dress Women's Hair – develop long hairdressing skills to create a variety of looks, including setting and hair-up looks
- Creating Images – develop skills to design total look images, combining knowledge of fashion, make-up and hair

You will also learn about related health and safety, client care and communication skills which are essential to work and be successful in the Hairdressing Industry

This qualification also provides:

- the related knowledge and understanding required to perform the Hairdressing Skills outlined above
- opportunities for Learners to focus on the development of their wider skills in a Hairdressing 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 in the Hairdressing Industry

The ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing is a vocational qualification recognised by Ofqual within the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF)

Why choose this Qualification

1. The ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing is the qualification required by employers in the Hairdressing Industry as it contains the full range of skills and knowledge for the professional Women's Hairdresser.
2. The qualification meets National Occupational Standards (NOS) and is listed on the Ofqual Register of Qualifications.
3. This qualification is recognised by all professional bodies within the Hairdressing Industry for membership and insurance purposes – please see below.
4. Other diplomas in hairdressing are also available at Level 2, however they are generic across all hair types and all genders. The Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing specialises in the treatment of women's hair only.
5. It is a vocationally related qualification which does not form part of the Apprenticeship in Hairdressing

Opportunities for Employment

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

- Improver/Senior/Junior/Junior Stylist Hairdressing Salons
- Salon Work in Hotels
- Cruise Ships
- Freelance Hairdressing

The ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing includes the full skills and knowledge required to provide Women's Hairdressing services at Level 2. Awards are available for Learners wishing to specialise in the individual services of Dressing Hair, Cutting Hair, Shampooing and Conditioning

Please see the letters of support from employers within the industry, including [Steiner Training Limited](#), [Wella](#), [Goldwell](#), [Affinage](#), [Sculptors](#) and [Steve Hilliard Hairdressing](#)

Professional Recognition

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

It is recognised for membership by:

- National Hairdressers' Federation (NHF)
- World Federation of Hairdressers
- Hairdressing Council
- Freelance Hairdressers' Association (FHA)

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

Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing they may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 2 or 3, for example:

- Level 2 Apprenticeship in Hairdressing
- Level 2 Certificate in Barbering
- Level 2 Diploma in African Type Hair
- Level 3 Certificate in Barbering
- Level 3 Certificate in African Type Hair
- Level 3 Apprenticeship in Hairdressing
- Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing

For further information on qualifications suitable for progression please go to www.itecworld.co.uk