



## **Purpose**

### **ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing (600/6995/8)**

#### **Aims and Objectives**

The main aim of the Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing is to enable Learners to gain the necessary practical skills and knowledge in order to provide creative hairdressing treatments to the general public and to gain employment in the Hair 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 Levels 3 and 4.

#### **Content**

This qualification is for Learners who want to work within the Hairdressing Industry. The qualification consists of 6 mandatory units; Learners must also select optional units covering a minimum of 142 Guided Learning Hours (GLH)

The main skills you will learn to perform are:

- Creatively Cut Hair - develop skills to combine cutting techniques to imaginatively create looks on the hair
- Colour Hair Creatively – identifies how to use and place advanced colouring techniques to enhance hair designs
- Style and Dress Hair – develop and combine dressing skills to create a variety of looks leading to total look and avant-garde images
- Human Resource Management

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

It also provides:

- the related theoretical knowledge and understanding required to perform the hairdressing treatments listed 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

#### **Why choose this Qualification?**

1. The ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing combines the full range of skills and knowledge for the learner seeking employment or self-employment as a Hairdresser at Level 3.
2. The qualification is based on National Occupational Standards

3. The qualification is listed on the Ofqual Register of Qualifications.
4. It is recognised by all relevant professional bodies within the hairdressing industry for membership and insurance purposes.
5. The ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing is suitable for inclusion as part of a study programme for 16-18 year olds as well as meeting all of the skills and knowledge required for employability at Level 3. In addition to the 6 mandatory units, this qualification has a selection of 12 optional units allowing the hairdressing pathway to be tailored to meet the specific needs and interests of the learner and to suit the requirements of local employment.
6. There is also a larger version of this qualification at Level 3 - the ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing which also contains the full range of skills and knowledge required for employability at Level 3, however the hours and credits are greater and therefore it is not suitable for inclusion as part of a study programme.
7. The ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing will attract UCAS points for entry into university for those learners who are interested in progressing into higher education through a management degree.
8. The ITEC Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing does not form part of an apprenticeship.

### **Opportunities for Employment**

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

- Stylist
- Session Styling
- Hotel/Spa Management
- Cruise Liners

Please see the letters of support from employers within the industry, including Steiner Training Limited, Wella, Affinage, Sculptors and Goldwell

### **Opportunities for Progression**

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

- Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in Hairdressing
- Level 3 Certificate in Barbering
- Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Hair and Beauty Studies
- Level 3 Certificate in African Type Hair
- Level 4 Diploma in Spa and Salon Management

For further information on qualifications suitable for progression please go to [www.itecworld.co.uk](http://www.itecworld.co.uk)

### **Professional Recognition**

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

It is recognised for membership by:

- National Hairdresser's Federation (NHF)

- World Federation of Hairdressers
- Hairdressing Council
- Freelance Hairdressers' Association

For further details regarding the content please see the qualification specification at [www.itecworld.co.uk](http://www.itecworld.co.uk)