

**Marking Criteria**  
**ITEC Level 3**  
**Unit 840 – Design and Apply Nail Art**

**APPEARANCE – 5 MARKS (0.5 marks each)**

**The candidate demonstrated:**

1. Clean, ironed professional uniform
2. Clean, neat hair, tied back/up if long and off the collar and face
3. Short, clean, well manicured nails with no varnish and clean hands
4. Clean, sensible full flat shoes, socks should be worn
5. Tights were an appropriate colour for the uniform, if wearing a skirt
6. No jewellery- with the exception of a wedding band and 1 pair of small stud earrings (religious jewellery must be taped)
7. No body or breath odour
8. No chewing gum or sucking sweets
9. No visible underskirts/underwear
10. Skirts to the knee. Trousers cropped no higher than calf/ trousers not trailing on the floor

**CLIENT CARE – 5 MARKS (1 mark each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Greeted and introduced self to client.
2. Assisted client off the couch.
3. Explained the treatment procedure to the client.
4. Ensured the client's comfort/modesty throughout.
5. Maintained a positive and professional approach to client/colleagues throughout.

**HYGIENE AND STERILISATION – 10 MARKS (2 marks each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Wiped equipment over with appropriate sanitiser before and after use.
2. Sanitised hands before, during and after treatment as appropriate.
3. Replaced lids on products and used spatulas to remove cream.
4. Disposed of cotton wool, tissues, paper roll and general waste hygienically and appropriately.
5. Used salon/clinic sterilising equipment/cabinets appropriately and sanitised, used and stored small equipment appropriately.

**SELECTION OF APPROPRIATE NAIL ART DESIGNS – 5 MARKS (1 mark each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Showed evidence of research.
2. Ensured the design is fit for purpose.
3. Showed originality.
4. Ensured the design is themed.
5. Ensured a minimum of three colours are used which complemented each other.

**APPLICATION OF PAINTING TECHNIQUE - 10 MARKS (2 marks each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Sanitised brush appropriately
2. Ensured brush is the correct size for the nail art system
3. Ensured paint is of a workable consistency, i.e. not too thick
4. Ensured strokes/flicks are uniform on each nail
5. Chose colours which compliment each other

**APPLICATION OF NAIL ART – 10 MARKS (2 marks each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Selected correct size and shape of Nail Art design.
2. Ensured Nail Art is placed at a suitable spot on the pattern.
3. Applied sealant/top coat.
4. Ensured products are not on the skin.
5. Checked overall effect.

**FINISHED RESULT – 5 MARKS (1 mark each)**

**The candidate:**

1. Ensured that sealant is applied evenly.
2. Ensured that the nails are uniform and that the patterns and colours match.
3. Ensured the finished result met with the client's satisfaction.
4. Ensured that appropriate home care advice is given to the client.
5. Ensured the treatment was completed in a commercially acceptable time.

**SAMPLE ORAL QUESTIONS**

1. Name and describe a contagious nail disease?
2. Name some contraindications to nail art?
3. What is the correct way to sterilise your tools?
4. Why should base coat be applied?
5. Why is it necessary to push back the cuticles?
6. Why have you chosen this particular design?
7. Why should you leave a hairline gap around the nail plate?
8. How would you deal with an allergic reaction?
9. How often should nail art be re-applied?
10. How do you apply nail art on the feet?