



ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Infant and Child Massage

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Lecturer Guidance Notes

General Advice

1. Requirements for Undertaking this Qualification

It is recommended that Learners should have achieved a level of education equivalent to five GCSEs at grade A*-C prior to commencing the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Infant and Child Massage; however, exemptions may be made for adult returners with experience of the workplace

A scheme of work must be approved by ITEC prior to the commencement of the course for all units

2. Structure of the Qualification, Guided Learning (GL) and Total Qualification Time (TQT)

The ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Infant and Child Massage is comprised of 1 mandatory unit with a total of 50 hours of Guided Learning (GL) in order to achieve the full qualification

Guided Learning (GL) – 50

Guided Learning is 'the activity of a Learner in being taught or instructed by – or otherwise participating in education or training under the immediate guidance or supervision of – a Lecturer, Supervisor, Tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training'. This includes 'the activity of being assessed if the assessment takes place under the immediate guidance or supervision of a Lecturer, Supervisor, Tutor or other appropriate provider of education or training'

Total Qualification Time (TQT) – 130

Total Qualification Time is 'the number of notional hours which represents an estimate of the total amount of time that could reasonably be expected to be required in order for a Learner to achieve and demonstrate the achievement of the level of attainment necessary for the award of the qualification'

3. Delivery of the Qualification

Lecturers should aim to deliver the theory and practical of the unit simultaneously, i.e., both theory and practical of the unit should be taught together to ensure the underpinning knowledge is being delivered at the same time as the practical skills. This will help to ensure that Learners understand the structures they are working on as a result of combining delivery with the practical application of treatments

4. Assessment and Grading of the Qualification

Learner's results and Certificates will be issued by ITEC directly to the Centre. Learners should be notified that they need to collect their results and Certificates from their Centre

This qualification will be internally and externally assessed using the assessment of skills as set out in Table 1 below. Once all treatment evidence/portfolio of evidence documentation and underpinning knowledge have been completed, the Learner will have a Final External Practical Examination carried out by the ITEC Examiner, who will also verify a sample of all treatment evidence/portfolio of evidence documentation and assignments

Table 1

ITEC Unit Number	Unit Title	Assessment	Grading
57	Infant and Child Massage	Practical examination Case studies 5 clients x 2 treatments (10 treatments) plus 25 MCQ Paper or online	Pass 60% - 74% Merit 75% - 89% Distinction 90% - 100% Pass or Refer Pass 60% - 74% Merit 75% - 89% Distinction 90% - 100%

Total Guided Learning (GL) - 50
Total Qualification Time (TQT) - 130

All assessment criteria and sample assessment materials for this qualification can be found [here](#)

5. 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 complete qualification can be certificated

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

6. Assessment of the Qualification

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

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

Practical Examination Sequence

Once all aspects of the mandatory units have been completed, Learners will be expected to complete an Internal Practical Assessment. This will be undertaken by the Internal Assessor using the Internal Assessment Forms. These must be handed to the ITEC External Examiner on the day of the Final External Practical Examination

- a. Learners will be expected to perform an Infant/Child Massage treatment of approximately 20-30 minutes in duration, including a 10-20 minute massage, depending on the age of the child, covering all areas of the body

Practical Skills examination sequence - Approximately 30 minutes

- Consultation to be carried out prior to the exam
- Clients should be on the couch ready for the exam
- Examiner will see a 10-20 minute treatment demonstrated in whatever order the student has been taught

- b. Oral questions may be asked at any time during the examination
- c. A Consultation Form must be filled in by each Learner for the unit being examined and made available for the ITEC External Examiner to check. This should be reviewed and completed at the end of the treatment and will be taken away by the Examiner
- d. Learners will be expected to demonstrate excellent hygiene and client care throughout as well as competence in their relevant skills
- e. The Examiner may reduce the treatment timings, as the examination is a demonstration of the Learner's professionalism and their accomplished technique
- f. Approximate time allocated for changeover of practical examination groups - 15 minutes

Multiple-choice Tests

Each question is formatted in the same way:

- 1 stem (the question)
- 1 key (the correct answer)
- 3 distractors (incorrect answers)
- The Learner must indicate the answer they believe is correct by placing a mark in the appropriate box on the answer sheet

Multiple-choice tests are used for unit 57 - online testing of all relevant units is also available

Case Studies/Portfolio of Evidence

Portfolio of evidence is required to be completed under the supervision of a Lecturer who must monitor the quality of the treatments performed throughout the Learner's training to ensure that they meet the ITEC criteria

- The criteria are detailed on the Treatment Evidence Guidance Forms. They are graded Pass or Refer
- The evidence is formed by a completed Consultation Form. This can be stored in the ITEC E-portfolio

7. Resources

The organisation delivering the qualification must provide a suitable environment for teaching the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Infant and Child Massage as well as all equipment both fixed and free standing to complete all aspects of the qualification. Learners need to be made aware of the amount of consumables/towels they will be required to provide

8. Registration

Enrolments for the qualification and all units should be sent to ITEC together on the ITEC Enrolment Form – paper based or online

9. Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 3 Certificate in Infant and Child Massage they may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 3, for example:

- Level 3 Diploma in Aromatherapy

- Level 3 Diploma in Reflexology
- Level 3 Diploma in Body Treatments

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10. Book List

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