



Purpose
ITEC Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy General
(QAN 501/0161/4)

Aims and Objectives

The main aim of the ITEC Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy General is to enable Learners to gain the necessary practical skills and knowledge in order to provide Beauty Therapy services to the general public and to gain employment in the Beauty 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 learning at Levels 2 and 3

Content

This qualification is for Learners who want to work in a beauty salon or spa and is comprised of 8 core units which are mandatory and a choice of optional units

The main mandatory skills you will perform are:

- Consultation techniques – to include planning and preparation, contraindications and contra-actions
- Facial skincare treatments – to include cleansing, exfoliation, massage, facial masks and adapting the treatment to suit the client's specific needs
- Manicure and Pedicure – to include care of the nails on the hands and feet, hand and foot massage and application of polish
- Enhancing the appearance of eyebrows and eyelashes – to include grooming and shaping the eyebrows and tinting lashes and brows
- Waxing – to include removal of hair using hot and cool waxing techniques

You will then be able to choose from a range of optional units to complete the qualification for example:

- Provide Make-up Services
- Provide Threading Services
- Assist with Spa Operations
- Enhance Appearance Using Skin Camouflage
- Carry out Ear Piercing
- Fulfil Salon Reception Duties

For further information on optional units please go to www.itecworld.co.uk

You will also learn about health, safety and hygiene, client care and communication, developing and maintaining your effectiveness at work and promoting additional services and products to customers which is essential in order to work and be successful in the industry

It also provides:

- the related knowledge and understanding required to perform the beauty therapy skills listed above effectively, in particular the anatomy and physiology for the treatments outlined above, common diseases and disorders that may affect when a client should or should not receive treatment
- opportunities for Learners to focus on the development of their wider skills in a Beauty Therapy 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 as a Beauty Therapist

The ITEC Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy General is a vocational qualification recognised by Ofqual within the Qualifications and Credit Framework (QCF)

Opportunities for Employment

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

- Beauty salon
- Spa
- Hotel or resort
- Health club
- Cruise ships
- Own business

The ITEC Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy General includes the skills and knowledge required to provide a range of Beauty Therapy treatments. Further Diplomas are available for those Learners wanting to specialise in individual treatments such as make-up or nail services

Please see letters of support from within the industry, including [Steiner Trading Ltd](#), [Guinot](#), [The Carlton Group](#), [Champneys](#), [Alexandra House](#), [House of Beauty](#), [LYS Love Your Skin](#) and [Dermalogica](#)

Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy General they may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 3 for example:

- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy – General
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy – Massage
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Beauty Therapy – Make-up
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Nail Services
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Spa Therapy

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

Professional Recognition

The qualification was developed collaboratively with the Hair and Beauty Industry Authority (HABIA) and enables Learners to apply for entry to the HABIA Register of Beauty Professionals once they have gained their qualification

It is also recognised for membership by:

- British Association of Beauty Therapists and Cosmetologists (BABTAC)

- The Guild of Beauty Therapists
- Association of International Therapists (AIT)
- Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT)
- Complementary Therapists Association (CThA)

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