
Practical Examination Marking Criteria

UBT465 – Provide radio frequency treatments

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Learners must complete a practical examination for UBT465 – Provide radio frequency treatments which will be externally set by the awarding organisation and conducted by an external examiner.

Learners will be expected to demonstrate excellent hygiene and client care throughout as well as competence in their relevant skills. The examiner may reduce the treatment timings, as the examination is a demonstration of the learner's professionalism and their accomplished technique.

A maximum of 6 learners to be examined at one time.

Client requirements

Centres must identify suitable clients for the examination. Centres may ask learners to identify suitable clients.

Clients must meet all the following requirements.

Specifically, clients must:

- be 18 years or over
- not be contra-indicated for radio frequency treatments
- not be hypersensitive to heat or pressure
- be willing to have radio frequency treatments
- be willing to divulge relevant personal and medical details for the purpose of consultation
- be prepared for the treatment to be carried out by a learner unknown to them
- not have practitioner knowledge or experience
- provide consent to participate

Potential clients must meet with centre staff who will establish suitability in relation to the specified client requirements, the suitability of the skin and health and safety requirements.

It is the responsibility of the centre and learner to work collaboratively to ensure suitable clients are provided for examination purposes.

Learners will be expected to perform the following:

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*Learners must achieve a minimum of **7 marks** for the **first 2 sections** in order to pass.

*Client care – 5 marks (1 mark each)

The learner:

1. Greeted and introduced self to client
2. Protected client's clothing and surrounding areas and removed all jewellery
3. Explained the treatment procedure to the client, including treatment sensations, skin appearance post treatment and duration of healing
4. Correctly positioned self and client and ensured the client's comfort/modesty throughout
5. Maintained a positive and professional approach to clients/colleagues throughout

*Preparation of area – 5 marks (1 mark each)

The learner:

1. Ensured that preparation complied with health and safety protocols and legislation
2. Ensured the area was clean and sanitised
3. Ensured all equipment, tools and products were available and ergonomically placed
4. Selected appropriate, clean mask for self and disposable PPE as appropriate
5. Ensured the working environment was private and secure

Hygiene and sterilisation – 5 marks (1 mark each)

The learner:

1. Wiped over equipment and accessories with appropriate sanitiser before, during and after use
2. Sanitised hands before, during and after treatment as appropriate and wore disposable gloves as appropriate
3. Replaced lids on products and removed products hygienically
4. Disposed of all general and contaminated waste hygienically and appropriately
5. Maintained and sanitised working area and equipment and used and stored small equipment appropriately

Consultation – 5 marks (1 mark each)

The learner:

1. Demonstrated a variety of consultation techniques and discussed the management of pain relief options as appropriate
2. Identified the client's medical history, pre-treatment skincare, lifestyle and aims of treatment
3. Checked patch test results, recognised any contra-indications and took appropriate actions
4. Confirm the client has understood and agreed to treatment following the cooling off period
5. Obtained signed informed consent and finalised and agreed the treatment plan

Advanced skin assessment – 10 marks (1 mark each)

The learner:

1. Cleansed and prepared the skin leaving it clean and free from product
2. Used illuminated magnifying and analysis equipment appropriately
3. Performed a full skin assessment, identified skin health, conditions and characteristics
4. Carried out thermal and tactile tests to the areas being treated
5. Recorded outcomes of all tests performed
6. Identified client's primary and secondary concerns
7. Identified factors which may limit or affect the desired outcome
8. Identified realistic and achievable outcomes
9. Took pre-treatment visual media images
10. Carried out all preparation in a commercially acceptable time

Radio frequency treatment – 15 marks (see below)

The learner:

1. Demonstrated the correct preparation of the skin (2 marks)
2. Tested equipment on self and client (2 marks)
3. Applied suitable product to facilitate conductivity and glide (1 mark)
4. Selected the correct handpiece/applicator head for the area(s) to be treated in line with treatment outcomes and objectives (3 marks)
5. Verbally communicated with the client throughout the treatment using the 1-10 pain threshold scale (2 marks)
6. Removed excess product and concluded the treatment in an appropriate manner including the application of post treatment products (2 marks)
7. Completed the treatment in a commercially acceptable time (2 marks)
8. Took post-treatment visual media images (1 mark)

Radio frequency treatment technique – 40 marks (see below)

The learner:

1. Selected the appropriate equipment to meet the agreed treatment aims (3 marks)
2. Applied a methodical and systematic approach to ensure full and even coverage within the treatment area and avoiding overworking the area (10 marks)
3. Performed the treatment in line with legal and organisational requirements (5 marks)
4. Maintained contact with the skin whilst moving hand-piece/applicator continuously (5 marks)
5. Maintained adequate skin support in all treatment areas (2 marks)
6. Observed the skin condition, monitored treatment effects, skin reactions and client response, adapting the treatment to meet the needs of the client (5 marks)
7. Adjusted the duration and intensity of treatment to suit the client's skin reaction levels and the reading of the thermometer (10 marks)

Post care/homecare – 10 marks (2 marks each)

The learner:

1. Evaluated and noted treatment results
2. Informed the client of the short-term effects of the treatment
3. Discussed homecare, post treatment skincare and recommendations for ongoing treatment with the client
4. Discussed possible contra-actions and how to deal with them
5. Discussed post care requirements with the client and obtained signature for treatment results and ongoing home-care requirements

Sample oral questions – 5 marks (1 mark each)

1. How does the treatment work?
2. Describe the way in which the current produces its effect.
3. What type of current are you using?
4. What safety precautions should you take with the equipment?
5. What determines the selection of the applicator heads for treatment?

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