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ITEC Manicure & Pedicure Certificate

INTRODUCTION

The International Therapy Examination Council (ITEC) is the largest international examinations board offering vocational qualifications in Beauty, Complementary and Sports Therapy. ITEC is supported by industry and recognised by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority (QCA) on behalf of the Department for Education and Skills (DFES).

Achievement of the ITEC Manicure & Pedicure Certificate will allow you to progress on to the Diploma courses such as the ITEC Nail Technology Diploma, the ITEC Nail Art Diploma or the ITEC Beauty Specialist Diploma.

This programme is aimed at students over 19 years of age who wish to change or enhance their career path, but may be working or have other commitments preventing them from attending a full time course.

To achieve the ITEC Manicure & Pedicure Certificate you will attend the Academy for 3 hours per week for 16 weeks (evening attendance) or 6 hours per week for 8 weeks (day time attendance). For information on alternative attendance options, to meet your individual needs, please contact the Academy.

The delivery time is divided equally between the theory and practical elements of the course covering **50 guided learning hours**.

Content

- Manicure & Pedicure – Practical techniques including massage & enameling
- Manicure & Pedicure – including diseases & disorders of the skin and nail and related anatomy & physiology

Course information

Your training will consist of practical input, theory input, case study work and personal tutorial sessions, to monitor your personal progress and develop your individual learning plan.

Your practical training will take place in the Academy's training salon. Once the manicure & pedicure procedures and techniques have been delivered, the practical sessions will open to the general public. This will allow you to carry out some of your case study work and give you the opportunity to gain valuable salon experience.

Your training is further enhanced by the opportunity to work as a therapist on 2 Saturday Pamper days over the academic year. This encourages commercial timing and provides further salon experience ensuring you are fully prepared for work within your chosen industry.

Your theory delivery will be carried out in our theory room equipped with interactive technology. The course input is supported by comprehensive delivery materials allowing for lesson time to be focused on your learning.

Assessment

The ITEC Certificate forms part of a Diploma (see ITEC Nail Technology Diploma / ITEC Nail Art Diploma) which is an examination based qualification structured in 3 parts.

- Practical examination
- Theory examination
- Case studies

The **practical examination** is conducted by an external ITEC Examiner. You will be required to carry out a full manicure or pedicure treatment on a client. During this process the examiner will ask questions to allow you to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding relating to the treatment being performed.

The **theory examination** consists of 1 multiple choice question paper covering:

- Manicure & Pedicure - including product knowledge and Anatomy & Physiology of the hand and foot. The 1 hour paper is made up of 50 multiple choice questions. Both theory and practical examinations are held at the Academy at the end of the academic year.

Case Studies

You are required to carry out 5 case studies on different clients covering a range of manicure and pedicure treatments including the application of French polish. These are completed over the duration of the course and are in addition to your course hours. Support and guidance to assist with the completion of your case studies is provided by your course tutor. Student insurance is compulsory for case study treatments carried out away from the Academy.

Your case studies are designed to show your progression and development as a manicurist. They will be marked by your course tutor and on completion they will be submitted to the ITEC examiner on the day of your practical examination.

Entry Requirements

It is desirable to have achieved 5 GCSE's at grade or above to study for this qualification. These qualifications need not apply to mature applicants whose suitability will be assessed at interview, based on motivation, potential and previous experience.

It is essential that all candidates have an enquiring mind, enthusiasm, motivation and a desire to work with people. Your acceptance on the course will be dependant up on a successful interview and a suitable reference.

Progression Route

ITEC Nail Technology Diploma (P/T)

ITEC Nail Art Diploma (P/T)

ITEC Beauty Specialist Diploma (F/T or P/T)

NVQ2 Beauty Therapy (F/T or P/T)

Progression on to a Diploma/ NVQ course is strongly recommended to enhance your employment opportunities.

Employment opportunities

Employment in a Beauty Salon, Nail Bar, Spa, Self Employment.