

Domain	NAIL TECHNOLOGY	Unit ID: 1878
Title:	Demonstrate the knowledge of acrylic nail enhancement Treatment	
Level: 3		Credits: 4

Purpose

This unit standard is intended for those who demonstrate the knowledge of acrylic nail enhancement treatment. People credited with this unit standard are able to prepare for gel nail enhancement treatment; carry out a nail analysis and provide recommendations to the client based on analysis.

This unit standard is intended for those who work as nail technician.

Special Notes

1. Entry information:
Prerequisite
 - Unit 1157 - *Demonstrate basic knowledge of workplace health and safety*
2. Assessment evidence may be collected from a real workplace or a stimulated workplace or an appropriate simulated environment in which Nail technology services are carried out.
3. All inspection, operation and maintenance procedures associated with the use of tools and equipment shall comply with manufacturers' specifications and/or workplace guidelines and instructions.
4. Glossary of terms:
 - *'Acetone'* refers to a solvent used to dissolve *nail* polish and acrylics. It is a chemical in the ketone family. Pure acetone is more effective in dissolving nail polish and acrylics.
 - *'Acid Primer'* refers to an acrylic acid primer; usually refers to meth acrylic acid type primers (MAP) that promote adhesion between the natural nail and enhancement product.
 - *'Acrylic Nail'* refers to a hardened and cured coating those results from a precise mix ratio of liquid monomer and powdered polymer.
 - *'Allergen'* refers to material that will create an adverse reaction in sensitive individuals, such as coughing, sneezing, rashes or other kinds of irritation.
 - *'Allergic reaction'* refers to a hostile reaction in the body usually recognized by blisters, redness, itching, and/or swelling. Misuse of nail products can lead to allergic reactions.
 - *'Nippers'* refers to tools used in a nail salon for a variety of purposes, including cuticle care, toenail clipping, and the nipping of acrylics. Non-acid primer: A misnomer, as all primers are acidic to some degree or another. However, the term is commonly used to refer to any primer that does not use meth acrylic acid (MAP).

5. Regulations and legislation relevant to this unit standard include the following:
 - Labour Act, No. 11, 2007
 - Occupational Health and Safety Regulations No. 18, 1997 and all subsequent amendments
6. Performance of all elements in this unit standard must comply with industry standards.
7. This unit standard applies to all nail technicians and range of people from different social, cultural or ethnic background.

Quality Assurance Requirements

This unit standard and others within this subfield may be awarded by institutions which meet the accreditation requirements set by the Namibia Qualifications Authority and the Namibia Training Authority and which comply with the national assessment and moderation requirements. Details of specific accreditation requirements and the national assessment arrangements are available from the Namibia Qualifications Authority and the Namibia Training Authority. All approved unit standards, qualifications and national assessment arrangements are available on the Namibia Training Authority website www.nta.com.na.

Elements and Performance Criteria

Element 1: Prepare for gel nail enhancement treatment

Performance Criteria

- 1.1 Working area is professionally and hygienically set according to workplace requirement.
- 1.2 Tools, equipment and implements are adequately sanitized and sterilized and made available for the acrylic nail enhancement treatment prior to conduction of service.
- 1.3 All required products are cleaned, labelled, prepared and readily available.
- 1.4 Personal protective equipment is chosen according to the work plan.
- 1.5 Client care, modesty and comfort is established prior to the treatment.
- 1.6 Client records are retrieved prior to the treatment, and in the case of a new client, a consultation card is being made available.

Element 2: Carry out a nail analysis

Performance Criteria

- 2.1 Nail types and conditions are recognized, identified and discussed with the client.
- 2.2 Surrounding skin and cuticle condition are recognized, identified and discussed with the client.
- 2.3 Natural nail shapes are recognized, identified and discussed with the client.

Element 3: Provide recommendations to the client based on analysis

Performance Criteria

- 3.1 Ongoing maintenance treatments with the client is scheduled to improve the condition of the nails
- 3.2 Client is advised on products to suit for nails.
- 3.3 Products and techniques to be used as homecare are suggested.

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