



ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure Rationale

Qualification Structure

The main aim of the ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure is to enable Learners to gain the necessary practical and theoretical skills in order to provide Manicure Treatments

The ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure is comprised of **4** mandatory units. Mandatory units = 14 credits

QCF Unit Number	ITEC Unit Number	Mandatory Units	Credit Value	Guided Learning Hours (GLH)
T/601/4569	804	Provide Manicure Treatments	5	48
R/600/8763	600	Follow Health and Safety Practice in the Salon	3	22
A/601/4458	818	Client Care and Communication in Beauty Related Industries	2	20
T/601/5642	819	Working in the Beauty Related Industries	4	31
Total Guided Learning Hours				121

It also aims:

- to provide skills at Level 2 in the Qualifications and Credit Framework for those interested in the Beauty Therapy Industry
- to provide opportunities for staff in the Beauty Therapy Industry to gain a Level 2 qualification
- to qualify Learners at Level 2 in the Beauty Therapy Industry
- to sustain the interest of Learners wanting to work in the Beauty Therapy Industry
- to encourage knowledge and understanding of the Beauty Therapy Industry at Level 2
- to provide opportunities for Learners to focus on the development of the major functional skills and the wider functional skills in a beauty therapy context, such as communicating with clients, working with others and problem solving
- to provide opportunities for Learners to develop a range of skills, techniques, personal qualities and attitudes essential for successful performance in employment as a Manicurist

Assessment

This qualification will be internally and externally assessed using the assessment of skills as set out below. Once all of the treatment evidence documentation, assignments and underpinning knowledge have been completed, the Learner will have a final practical examination carried out by the ITEC External Examiner, who will also verify a minimum 10% sample of all treatment evidence documentation and assignments

QCF Unit Number	ITEC Unit Number	Mandatory Units	Assessment	Grading
T/601/4569	804	Provide Manicure Treatments	Practical examination Evidence of 5 treatments Plus 15 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%
R/600/8763	600	Follow Health and Safety Practice in the Salon	Assignments and performance evidence within each technical unit	Pass or refer
A/601/4458	818	Client Care and Communication in the Beauty Related Industries	Assignment	Pass or refer
T/601/5642	819	Working in the Beauty Related Industries	Assignment	Pass or refer

Grading of the Qualification

- a. Learners must achieve a pass grade in all technical and underpinning knowledge units to achieve the ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure (see assessment table above)
- b. It is the aggregate mark for the practical examination and the multiple choice theory question paper that forms the overall grade of the qualification – Pass, Merit or Distinction
- c. Assignments and treatment evidence documentation are graded pass or refer
- d. If a Learner is unsuccessful in any area, they will be re-assessed only in the unit(s) where they were referred
- e. Referrals must be completed within one year of the original assessment. The remainder of the Candidate's results will stay in the ITEC system until all aspects of each unit have been allocated a pass grade

Recommended Prior Learning

It is recommended that Learners have achieved a level of education equivalent to five GCSE's at grades A*-C prior to commencing the ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure; however, exemptions may be made for adult returners with experience of the workplace

Opportunities for Progression

Once Learners have achieved the ITEC Level 2 Certificate in Manicure they may progress on to other ITEC or equivalent qualifications at Level 2 and 3, for example:

- Level 2 Diploma for Beauty Specialists
- Level 2 Certificate in Beauty Consultancy
- Level 2 Certificate in Eyelash and Eyebrow Treatments
- Level 2 Certificate in Eyelash Perming
- Level 2 Certificate in Make-Up
- Level 2 Certificate in Pedicure
- Level 2 Certificate in Waxing
- Level 2 Certificate in Eyebrow Treatment and Eyelash Enhancements
- Level 3 Award in Eyelash Extensions
- Level 2 Certificate in Nail Technology
- Level 2 Certificate in Nail Art
- Level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology

For further Awards, Certificates and Diplomas please go to www.itecworld.co.uk

Opportunities for Employment

This certificate qualifies graduates to operate their own salon or home visiting practice. Graduates can also gain employment in Beauty Salons, Hotels, Health Clubs, Spas and Cruise Liners

Relationship to National Occupational Standards (NOS)

ITEC has mapped to National Occupational Standards where they exist. ITEC has ensured that best practice in the workplace has been reflected in the syllabus. ITEC has linked the qualification to the relative job roles as well as ensuring that the syllabus reflects the required level of knowledge and ability for the Manicurist at Level 2

Professional Body Membership and Insurance

Professional Indemnity and Public Liability Insurance can be obtained via The Complementary Therapists Association (www.CThA.com) and other Industry Associations who recognise the ITEC Certificate