



Australian Government

SHBHDES005 Select and apply hair extensions

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Modification History

Not applicable.

Application

This unit describes the performance outcomes, skills and knowledge required to consult with clients and analyse hair and facial characteristics to design, recommend and complete a range of complementary hairstyles using hair extensions. It involves selecting and applying full or partial hair extensions to increase the length and volume of hair or to introduce additional colours. Extensions may be human, animal or synthetic hair.

This unit applies to hairdressers with well-developed skills who work in hairdressing salons or as session stylists. They use discretion and judgement to manage the client service and take responsibility for the outcomes of their own work.

No occupational licensing, certification or specific legislative requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Competency Field

Hair Design

Unit Sector

Hairdressing

Elements and Performance Criteria

ELEMENTS

Elements describe the essential outcomes.

1. Consult with client and assess hair.

PERFORMANCE CRITERIA

Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.

- 1.1. Discuss client preferences, and expectations of desired finished result using visual aids to assist.
- 1.2. Visually and physically examine and analyse client natural hair characteristics.
- 1.3. Evaluate client facial features and bone structure for suitable complementary hair extension designs.
- 1.4. Consider the interplay of the elements and principles of hair

- design to visualise, communicate and recommend hair extension designs appropriate for the client.
- 1.5.Explain cost, application technique, maintenance requirements, features and benefits to client.
 - 1.6.Determine the best hair extension design and obtain client agreement to proceed with recommendations.
2. Select hair extension type and colour.
 - 2.1.Select colour, texture and type of hair extension, according to planned design and to best blend with client's natural hair.
 - 2.2.Select number of strands in hair extension and mix fibres, according to product instructions, to achieve desired colour and texture.
 3. Prepare client's natural hair.
 - 3.1.Maintain client and operator comfort and safety throughout service according to organisational procedures.
 - 3.2.Prepare client's natural hair so that it is clean, dry and free of styling aids.
 - 3.3.Remove existing hair extensions as required, according to product instructions.
 - 3.4.Section client's natural hair according to planned design.
 4. Apply hair extensions.
 - 4.1.Select strand sizes to match planned design.
 - 4.2.Select section sizes appropriate for strand size chosen.
 - 4.3.Apply strands and securely seal using bonding equipment, according to product instructions and planned design.
 - 4.4.Use safe degree of tension to avoid traction damage to hair and traction alopecia.
 - 4.5.Dispose of hair extension waste safely, according to organisational procedures.
 5. Complete hair design and review service.
 - 5.1.Cut and finish hair, as required, to blend extensions and natural hair, and to achieve planned finished design.
 - 5.2.Review service outcomes against client design expectations and confirm client satisfaction with result.
 - 5.3.Adjust finished design in response to any client concerns and own post service analysis of appearance.
 - 5.4.Advise on hair extension maintenance and recommend home care products.

Foundation Skills

Foundation skills essential to performance in this unit, but not explicit in the performance criteria are listed here, along with a brief context statement.

Skill	Description
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- Reading skills to:
- interpret sometimes unfamiliar and detailed documents including organisational procedures and product instructions.
- Oral communication skills to:
- ask open and closed probe questions and actively listen to effectively interact with client and meet their needs
 - clearly represent hair designs to clients.
- Numeracy skills to:
- calculate numbers of hair extensions and visually match strand sizes suited to individual client requirements.
- Planning and organising skills to:
- manage own timing and productivity to complete hair designs within organisational service times.

Unit Mapping Information

No equivalent unit.

Links

Companion Volume implementation guides are found in VETNet -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=255d312b-db07-48f2-b6d6-1b0b06c42898>