



Nail Care



Date	Friday, March 13, 2026	Orientation Time	8:00 a.m. (CLOSED to instructors)
Location	C-TEC of Licking County 150 Price Road Newark, OH 43055	Contest Time	Immediately following orientation (CLOSED contest)
Scope of Contest	<p>The competition will include a series of testing situations demonstrating technical applications. The areas to be evaluated are customer service, safety and sanitation, natural nail care, artificial nails, and nail lacquer and art application. Observations during each segment and evaluation of the finished product will be considered in the scoring.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All competitors must bring a model for the competition. Competitors are not permitted to touch their models before the competition begins or between segments.• Conversation between competitor and model is limited. Communication with observers, judges and other competitors is prohibited during the competition.• Disqualification or penalty points taken can occur for the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Leaving competition area before completion of the nail care competition (applies to both competitor and model) without proper escort.○ Unauthorized use of a product that is not allowed or that doesn't appear in the listing below.○ Any product that appears to have been altered.• Competitors should come prepared to do the following:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Ring and pinky fingers of the model's right hand are to be sculpted with acrylic using forms, no tips, in a one-color acrylic (pink, white or clear may be used) technique. (30 minutes).○ Thumb, pointer and middle fingers of the model's right hand are to have nail tips applied and overlaid with a light-cured gel or a light-cured hybrid acrylic/gel (30 minutes).○ Flat nail art is to be applied to all five fingers of the model's right hand (40 minutes).○ All times are approximate and will be confirmed during orientation.○ A three- to five-minute mock nail care consultation on the benefits of natural nail care. The competitor will address the judges as if they are a new client of theirs in the salon. Props may be used. The consultation should include the following points: (1) Recommended natural nail care services; (2) Results the client should expect; (3) The home care products the client would need to purchase and use to obtain these results.• Sharing of tools between competitors is prohibited.		
Testing	No		
Eligibility	1 contestant for every 50 paid members enrolled in program		
Clothing	Clothing Classification Guide - CLASS G		

Provided by Contestant	Professional Resume – Typed Hardcopy Emergency Medical Form (Contestants must have this to compete) Model SDS Sheets in labeled folder (shown during registration) Creative Nail Design Odorless Sculpting Liquid and Creative Nail Design Perfect Color Sculpting Powder will be provided by host site (can be purchased at Burmax or CosmoProf for practice). State Board approved disinfectant (must have manufacturer’s label) Hand sanitizer (must have manufacturer’s label) Blood spill kit Safety glasses (2 pairs) UV/LED lamp Extension cord Disposable lint free towels Clean white terry towels Gel overlay-light cured products (i.e. builder gel) Gel brush Nail forms Plastic nail tips - must be full well & natural (not white or clear) Nail glue Tip cutters Lint-free nail wipes Nail polish remover Spray water bottle 3 dappen dishes with lids Acrylic nail brushes Primer/bonding agent Nail sanitizer Curing resin for acrylic Assorted nail files/buffers Cuticle pusher Nail art supplies (brushes, polish, acrylic paint, base/topcoat) ** All nail polish must be gel polish. The following WILL NOT be tolerated and are grounds for disqualification from the competition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o No smart watches, cellphones and/or other electronic devices in the contest area unless specifically stated in this document. These devices cannot be used as a calculator. o No contact with anyone outside of the contest area once the contest begins. o No inappropriate communication between contestants such as verbally degrading another contestant or informing another contestant of the skills/test prior to or during the competition. o No cheating on any portion of the contest. The use of AI is strictly prohibited and will result in an automatic disqualification of the contestant 	
Contest Standards	Contest Skilled Performance Standards NAIL 1.0 - Apply the knowledge and skills needed to perform safety and sanitation in a nail care situation.	Aligned ODEW Human Services Content Standard Outcomes Outcome 3.1 Environmental Interventions

	<p>NAIL 2.0 - Implement skills that are needed for quality customer service in a nail care situation.</p> <p>NAIL 5.0 - Apply the knowledge and skills needed to perform artificial nails services in a nail care situation</p> <p>NAIL 6.0 - Implement the knowledge and skills needed to perform nail lacquer and art application in a nail care situation.</p>	<p>Outcome 3.2 Principles of Infection Control</p> <p>Outcome 5.1 Nail Care</p> <p>Above Outcomes can be found in the following ODEW courses: 174115 – Microbiology and Infection Control 174145 – Hand and Foot Fundamentals and Enhancements</p>
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