

**Specification of Competency Standards**  
**for the Beauty and Hairdressing Industry**  
**Unit of Competency**

Unit of Competency is applicable across different functional areas

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| Title      | Using general beauty equipment   |
| Code       | 110391L2   |
| Range      | Understand the operation methods and functions of general beauty equipment at beauty-related workplaces according to the code of practice for safe use of electricity and for personal and working hygiene, and operate general beauty equipment for performing beauty treatments on customers according to the instructions.  |
| Level      | 2  |
| Credit     | 3 (For Reference Only)   |
| Competency | <p>Performance Requirements</p> <p>1. Knowledge of general beauty equipment and safe use of electricity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand basic electricity, such as current, voltage and resistance</li> <li>• Understand the sources of electrical hazards, such as: damaged sockets, wires, plugs, incorrectly wired electrical appliances, water, etc.</li> <li>• Understand the methods and importance of preventing electrical hazards, such as transformers, fuses, circuit breakers, double insulation, sockets, safe operation, etc.</li> <li>• Understand the relationship between electric current, electromagnetic waves, light, mechanical massage and skin care</li> <li>• Understand the basic principles and functions of general beauty equipment, such as skin testing and image capture unit, magnifier lamps, vapour steamer, high frequency current unit, ultrasonic ion beauty unit, faradic equipment (Micro current instrument), infra-red equipment and LED lamp etc.</li> <li>• Understand the impact of various types of beauty equipment on different parts of the human body and their relationships, such as skin/scalp, subcutaneous fat, superficial aponeurotic system, muscles, bones, the circulation system, lymphatic system and nervous system etc.</li> <li>• Understand the basic methods and procedures for using general beauty equipment, and the code of practice for using them safely</li> <li>• Understand routine cleaning and maintenance methods and procedures of general beauty equipment</li> <li>• Master the constraints for the use of different beauty equipment</li> <li>• Understand the types and functions of beauty products used together with general beauty equipment</li> </ul> <p>2. Use general beauty equipment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make preparations for the treatment, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Customer consultation</li> <li>○ Explain the nursing procedure to customers</li> <li>○ Pre-treatment skin care</li> <li>○ Carry out skin sensitivity test</li> <li>○ Evaluation before treatment</li> <li>○ Explain the consent form for treatment</li> <li>○ Photo record</li> <li>○ Cleaning of skins, utensils and hands</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Master the operation methods and procedures of various types of beauty equipment according to manufacturer guidelines and perform beauty treatments on customers according to the instructions</li> <li>• Master the knowledge of safe use of electricity and the way of handling accidents</li> </ul> |

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|                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Observe adverse effects on customers in the process of treatment, such as skin irritation and inflammation (e.g. redness/swelling/heat/pain/itchy), dizziness, nausea, bruises, chemical burns and muscle cramps etc and take remedial actions according to established procedures, and refer the customer to the medical staff for follow up and treatment when needed.</li> <li>• Perform routine sterile cleaning and maintenance according to manufacturer guidelines</li> </ul> |
| Assessment Criteria | <p>The integrated outcome requirements of this unit of competency are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capable to understand the basic principles, functions, operation methods and constraints for the use of general beauty equipment; and</li> <li>• Capable to operate beauty equipment properly to perform treatments on customers according to the instructions and the code of practice for safe use of electricity and for personal and working hygiene and manufacturer guidelines.</li> </ul>          |
| Remark              | <p>The credit value of this unit of competency is set on the presumption that the person already possesses the competency of BEZZCN110A “Apply codes of safety for general beauty-related electrical appliances”.</p>   |