

Title	Demonstrate knowledge of conditions of the nail and surrounding skin		
Level	4	Credits	4

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: explain the terminology used for describing nail conditions, demonstrate knowledge of and response to contagious conditions of the nail and surrounding skin, and demonstrate knowledge of and response to non-contagious conditions of the nail and surrounding skin.
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Classification	Beauty Services > Beauty Therapy
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Available grade	Achieved
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Explanatory notes

- 1 Definition
Salon requirements, for the purposes of this unit standard, refer to any policies, procedures, and requirements of the company and/or workplace involved, and any ethical codes of relevant professional management, which collectively provide a standard that applies to all competent performances in this unit standard. It is assumed that such enterprise requirements exist in all companies and/or workplaces.

- 2 Evidence presented for assessment against this unit standard must be in accordance with the New Zealand Association of Registered Beauty Therapists *Code of Practice for Beauty Therapy Clinics, Spas and Training Establishments* (Auckland, NZ) (11th ed, March 2014), and the New Zealand Association of Registered Beauty Therapists *Code of Ethics for Members of The New Zealand Association of Registered Beauty Therapists Inc.* (Auckland, NZ) (April 2009), both available from <http://www.beautynz.org.nz>.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Explain the terminology used for describing nail conditions.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 The terminology used for describing nail conditions is explained using non-technical language.

Range corrugations, dystrophy, furrow, haematoma, onycholysis, pitting, ridges.

Outcome 2

Demonstrate knowledge of and response to contagious conditions of the nail and surrounding skin.

Evidence requirements

2.1 Contagious conditions of the skin and nails are described in terms of type, cause, signs, and treatment advice.

Range contagious conditions must include but are not limited to –
fungal – tinea unguium, tinea pedis, onychomycosis, fungal paronychia;
bacterial – bacterial paronychia, onychocryptosis (infection present), onychia;
viral – herpes simplex, periungual warts, herpetic whitlow;
cause must include but is not limited to – the way the condition is spread;
treatment advice includes – when to seek medical advice.

2.2 Response to identification of contagious condition is described in accordance with salon requirements.

Range inform the client of condition, referral to other industry professionals and/or to health professionals.

2.3 Methods of sanitising contaminated equipment are described in accordance with salon requirements.

Range may include but is not limited to – disinfectant, autoclave, disposal.

Outcome 3

Demonstrate knowledge of and response to non-contagious conditions of the nail and surrounding skin.

Evidence requirements

3.1 Non-contagious conditions of the skin and nails are described in terms of type, cause, signs, and treatment advice.

Range must include but is not limited to conditions –
of the nail plate – koilonychias, onychogryphosis, brittle or egg shell nails, bruised nail;
of the nail surface – beau's lines, grooves or ridges, psoriasis;
of the surrounding skin – pterygium, hang nails;
colour changes – leuconychia, blue nails, yellow nail syndrome;
cosmetic associated – artificial nail effects, onychorrhexis, nail hardness changes.
due to physical trauma – onychocryptosis (no infections present), onychophagia.

3.2 Response to identification of non-contagious conditions is described in accordance with salon requirements.

Range inform the client of condition, recommendation of in-salon products and/or treatments, referral to other industry professionals and/or to health professionals, referral to medical services.

3.3 Skin irregularities that may indicate the presence of potential malignant growths are identified and described in terms of signs.

3.4 Response to identification of potential presence of malignant growth is described in accordance with salon requirements.

Range inform the client of condition, referral to other industry professionals and/or to health professionals.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	18 August 2011	31 December 2018
Review	2	21 January 2016	N/A

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference	0035
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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Please note

Providers must be granted consent to assess against standards (accredited) by NZQA, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess against standards by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Providers and Industry Training Organisations, which have been granted consent and which are assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Requirements for consent to assess and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR). The CMR also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.

Comments on this unit standard

Please contact the NZ Hair and Beauty Industry Training Organisation Inc
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