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Beauty therapy is one of the most widespread industries and there's no substitute for high quality training when it comes to learning the skills required to develop a successful career in beauty therapy. Our qualifications incorporate different routes which focus on the development of the underlying principles and practical skills required in the beauty therapy and nail industries. They are designed to deliver a high level of occupational capability and produce a sound platform to progress into employment. We know that people skills and customer service are important. At City & Guilds we are known for our high quality qualifications. We've used our expertise to produce the most up-to-date and relevant qualifications available today. Employers know our qualifications and value them as a true reflection of people's abilities.

Which qualifications are available?

Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Therapy (6903-01)

QCA accreditation number 500/5879/5

Learners must complete units 201-207, and one from 208-215, 314. Total guided learning hours 450.

Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Consultancy (6903-02)

QCA accreditation number 500/5880/1

Learners must complete units 201-203, 208-210, 314 and two from 206-207, 212-215. Total guided learning hours 450.

Level 2 Diploma in Nail Technology (6903-03)

QCA accreditation number 500/5881/3

Learners must complete units 202, 206-207, and 211-217. Total guided learning hours 450.

The qualifications are suitable for anyone wishing to commence a career in beauty therapy, nails or the cosmetics retail industry. They are highly practical qualifications and provide the skills and underpinning knowledge required to start work in the industry.

The units included in the qualifications are shown below.

Unit Number	Unit title	GLH
201	Working in beauty therapy	30
202	Maintain health and safety in the salon	40
203	Consult and advise clients on treatments	40
204	Improve and maintain facial skin condition	120
205	Remove hair using waxing techniques	60
206	Provide manicure treatments	60
207	Provide pedicure treatments	60
208	Provide skin care advice and make-up treatments	100
209	Provide eyelash and eyebrow treatments	60
210	Plan and promote make-up activities	60
211	Extend and maintain nails	60
212	Provide nail art services	40
213	Fulfil salon reception duties	40
214	Display stock to promote sales in a salon	40
215	Monitor and maintain levels of stock in a salon	40
216	Working in the nail industry	30
217	Consult and advise clients on nail treatments	40
314	Promote products and services to clients in a salon	40

Level 2 Certificates in Beauty Therapy and Nail Services

These short qualifications are ideal for anyone who wishes to further their skills. They are highly practical qualifications and provide the skills and underpinning knowledge required in specific skill areas to practice as a therapist.

Key points

- Designed to reflect different roles within the industries
- All qualifications are eligible for funding
- Short qualifications ideal for CPD
- City & Guilds also offer a range of qualifications in Complementary and Alternative Therapies and Hairdressing

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Qualification Number	Certificate Title	QCA accreditation number	GLH
6903-11	Working in Beauty Therapy Industry	500/1372/5	110
6903-12	Beauty Salon Reception	500/1358/0	150
6903-13	Skin Care Advice and Make-up Treatments	500//1402/x	100
6903-14	Waxing Techniques	500/1392/0	60
6903-15	Facial Treatments	500/1399/3	120
6903-16	Eyelash and Eyebrow Treatments	500/1400/6	60
6903-31	Working in the Nail Industry	500/1352/x	110
6903-32	Manicure	500/1404/3	60
6903-33	Pedicure	500/1398/1	60
6903-34	Nail Technologies	500/1349/x	40
6903-35	Nail Art	500/1350/6	40

Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Beauty Therapy (6903-06)

QCA accreditation number

Learners must complete units 201, 203, 302, 304-307 and between two and four optional units. Total guided learning hours 600.

Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy (6903-04)

QCA accreditation number 100/5882/5

Learners must complete units 201, 203, 302, 304-307. Total guided learning hours 450.

Level 3 Diploma in Body Treatments (6903-05)

QCA accreditation number 100/5883/7

Learners must complete units 201, 203, 302, 304, 306, 308-309. Total guided learning hours 450.

These qualifications are ideal for anyone who is an experienced therapist wishing to further their career in beauty therapy. They are highly practical qualifications and provide the skills and underpinning knowledge required to practice as a professional beauty therapist.

The units included in the qualifications are shown below.

Unit Number	Unit Title	GLH
201	Working in beauty therapy	30
203	Consult and advise clients on treatments	40
302	Monitor and maintain health and safety in the salon	50
304	Provide body massage	80
305	Improve face and skin condition using electrotherapy	90
306	Improve body condition using electrotherapy	70
307	Provide electrical epilation treatments	90
308	Aromatherapy Massage using pre-blended oils	70
309	Provide Indian head massage	90
Optional Units		
213	Fulfil salon reception duties	40
214	Display stock to promote sales in a salon	40
215	Monitor and maintain levels of stock in a salon	40
310	Provide UV tanning treatments	30
311	Provide self tanning treatments	20
312	Apply artificial nail structures	60
313	Apply camouflage make-up	60
314	Promote products and services to the client in a salon	40
318	Contribute to the effective running of the business	40

Level 3 Certificates in Beauty Therapy and Nail Services

These short qualifications are ideal for anyone who is experienced and wishes to further their skills. They are highly practical qualifications and provide the skills and underpinning knowledge required in specific skill areas to practice as a professional therapist.

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Qualification Number	Certificate Title	QCA accreditation number	GLH
6903-21	Working in the Professional Beauty Therapy Industry	100/1369/5	120
6903-22	Body Massage	500/1401/8	80
6903-23	Electrical Epilation	500/1412/2	90
6903-24	Aromatherapy Massage using Pre-blended Oils	500/1391/9	70
6903-25	Indian Head Massage	500/1353/1	90
6903-26	Self Tanning	500/1354/3	30
6903-27	UV Tanning	500/1355/5	30
6903-28	Face and Skin Condition using Electrotherapy	500/1403/1	90
6903-41	Artificial Nail Structures	500/1351/8	60

Do the qualifications form part of a recognised framework?

The qualifications are accredited by the Qualifications and Curriculum Authority and are therefore eligible for funding.

Are there any other qualifications that may be of interest?

Level 1 Certificate in Salon Services

Level 1 NVQ in Beauty Therapy

Level 2 NVQs in Beauty Therapy (General and Make-Up routes) and Nail Services

Level 3 NVQs in Beauty Therapy (General, Make-Up and Massage routes), Nail Services, and Spa Therapy

Level 3 Diploma in Complementary and Alternative Therapies

Are there learning materials available?

SmartScreen is our dedicated online support portal for teaching and learning. It's used in over 1000 centres. The unrivalled qualification specific support helps improve the retention rate and attainment levels of your learners with interactive content, activity assignments, individual learning plans, revision help and careers advice. For tutors there are time-saving sample schemes of work, lesson plans, handouts, learning activities and a tutor forum to share your expertise. SmartScreen currently supports all three levels of the Hairdressing N/SVQ and Beauty Therapy N/SVQ as well as 6926, 6902, and 6903. For further information please visit www.smartscreen.co.uk

[Learnxtra-hairdressing.com](http://learnxtra-hairdressing.com) and learnxtra-beauty.com are visual learning support resources for tutors and learners of hairdressing and beauty therapy qualifications. These websites are packed with fantastic visuals, animations, hair galleries, and videos to help your learners understand complex theory. To find out more or to subscribe please contact the SmartScreen team on subscribe@smartscreen.co.uk or tel: 020 7294 3435.

What's the next step?

If you are an existing approved centre, you will need to complete a scheme approval form (SAP). If you are not an approved centre and would like to become one, please contact your nearest City & Guilds office who will guide you through the approval process.

How can I find out more?

You can find out more by contacting your nearest City & Guilds office. Log on to our website to find the location of your nearest one, or contact our Customer Relations team at:

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