

Purpose statement

The following purpose is for the **Advanced Technical Diploma in Nail Technology (450) (601/7492/4)**

Area	Description
OVERVIEW	
Who is this qualification for?	This level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Nail Technology aims to provide you with a range of specialist technical practical skills and knowledge, which will equip you to seek employment or further training within the Nail Industry. A Level 2 Diploma in Nail Services or equivalent industry experience is a recommended entry requirement. This qualification is suitable for anyone over the age of 16 years.
What does this qualification cover?	This qualification covers a very wide range of skills and knowledge required for working in the nail technology industry.
	 These are compulsory areas: Promote and sell products and services to clients Enhance and maintain nails using light cured gel, including hard gels Liquid and powder nail enhancements Chemistry of nails products Create and apply nail art Anatomy and physiology for hands and feet The creation and presentation of a mood board, look book and industry portfolio Business practise
	Optional areas include:
	 Gel polish nail services Enhancing nails using electrical files Competition work for the nail industry Create airbrush design for nails Nail wrap enhancement systems

Centres and providers work with local employers who will contribute to the knowledge and delivery of training. Employers will provide demonstrations and talks on the industry and where possible work placements will also be provided by the employers. This practically based training is ideal preparation for gaining employment in the nail technology industry or specialist further study.

WHAT COULD THIS QUALIFICATION LEAD TO?

Will the qualification lead to employment, and if so, in which job role and at what level?

Achievement of this qualification demonstrates to an employer that you have the necessary advanced technical skills to be employed as a Senior Nail Technician.

This qualification could lead to a job as a Senior Nail Technician working in one of the following areas:

- Nail bar/salon
- Beauty salon
- Media
- Cruise ship/hotel
- Product or manufacturing company

Why choose this qualification over similar qualifications?

You would chose this qualification if you want to work as a Nail Technician within the nail sector rather than a therapist within the beauty and spa industry. This qualification contains specialist skills and knowledge which equip you to carry out the job role as a Senior Nail Technician. If you would prefer to work within the beauty or spa industry then it is recommended that you look at the following City & Guilds qualification.

City & Guilds Advanced Technical Diploma in Beauty and Spa Therapy (540)

Will the qualification lead to further learning?

The learner could progress into employment or to a Level 4 qualification in Advanced Techniques or Management, such as:

Level 4 Diploma in Management Practice and Advanced Techniques in the Hair and Beauty Sector.

After this qualification learners may also study subjects such as Salon Management or Business Management at university.

WHO SUPPORTS THIS QUALIFICATION?

Employer/Higher Education Institutions

British Association of Beauty Therapy & Cosmetology (BABTAC) – professional association

Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT) – professional association

Beauty Concepts International

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FURTHER INFORMATION

Please refer to the Qualification Handbook, available on the City & Guilds website, for more information on the structure of this qualification, the content of the units, and assessment.