

GB6

*Provide shaving  
services*

## Unit GB6 (City & Guilds Unit 051)

Provide shaving services

**Optional**

This unit has four outcomes. As some are linked, you can be observed by your assessor for up to four outcomes at the same time.

### **Outcome 1**

Maintain effective and safe methods of working when shaving

### **Outcome 2**

Prepare the hair and skin for shaving

### **Outcome 3**

Shave hair

### **Outcome 4**

Provide aftercare advice

## Evidence requirements

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To achieve this unit you must practically demonstrate in your everyday work that you have met the standard for shaving. The standards cover things you must do (performance criteria), things that you must cover (range) and things that you must know.

## What you must do

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Your assessor will observe your performance on **at least 3 occasions**.

## What you must cover

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You will see key words in bold on the 'What you must do' list. For each of these, there is a range of things that you must cover. You must show that you have:

- shaved full facial hair and beard outlines
- used all the types of tools and equipment
- taken into account all the factors
- used all the lathering products
- used all the lathering techniques
- used all the shaving techniques
- used all the finishing products
- given all the advice

It is likely most evidence of your performance will be gathered from the observations made by your assessor but you may be required to produce other evidence to support your performance if your assessor has not been present.

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## What you must do

### Outcome 1

#### Maintain effective and safe methods of working when shaving

- a) ensuring your client's clothing and eyes are effectively protected throughout the service
- b) ensuring your client's face and neck are kept free of any beard clippings when necessary
- c) positioning your client to meet the needs of the service without causing them discomfort
- d) wearing gloves throughout the **shaving service**
- e) ensuring your own posture and position whilst working minimises fatigue and the risk of injury
- f) keeping your work area clean and tidy throughout the service
- g) removing waste during and at the end of the shaving service
- h) using working methods that
  - minimise the risk of damage to **tools and equipment**
  - minimise the risk of cross-infection
  - make effective use of your working time
  - ensure the use of clean resources
  - minimise the risk of harm or injury to yourself and others
- a) ensuring your personal standards of health and hygiene minimise the risk of cross-infection, infestation and offence to your clients and colleagues
- b) using tools and equipment that are safe, sterile and fit for purpose
- c) cleaning and disinfecting all tools and equipment immediately after the service
- d) identifying accurately **factors** that may influence the service prior to shaving
- e) asking your client appropriate questions to identify if they have any known contra-indications to shaving services
- f) accurately recording your client's responses to questions
- g) ensuring that used sharps and any hazardous waste are disposed of to meet legal and salon requirements
- h) replenishing low levels of resources when required to minimise disruption to your own work and to clients \*
- i) identifying and reporting any products needing reorder to the relevant person promptly \*\*
- j) completing the shaving service within a commercially viable time
- k) completing client records so that they accurate, easy to read and up-to-date.

Observation	1	2	3		
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Assessor signature					
IV signature (if sampled)					

* Covered by observation	<input type="radio"/>	Date
Covered by oral questioning	<input type="radio"/>	Date
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Covered by oral questioning	<input type="radio"/>	Date

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What you must do (continued)

### Outcome 2

#### Prepare the hair and skin for shaving by

- a) accurately choosing products, tools and equipment based on the results of consultation with your client and other relevant **factors**
- b) preparing, applying and adapting the use of hot towels to suit the needs of the service and the comfort of your client
- c) effectively reducing the beard length, where required, prior to shaving
- d) effectively cleansing and/or exfoliating the skin, when necessary
- e) preparing **lathering products** so they are fit for use in time for the shaving service
- f) applying **lathering products** in a way that takes account of **factors** you have identified as affecting the service
- g) applying **lathering products** in a way that minimises the risk of the product being spread to your client's eyes, clothes and surrounding area
- h) using **lathering techniques** which achieve an even coverage of product to the areas to be shaved

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*“Very dense and coarse beards should be steamed with a hot towel and well lathered before shaving: the steam and lather help to soften the beard.”*

**Maurice Lister**

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What you must do (continued)

### Outcome 3

#### Shave hair by

- a) confirming with your client the look agreed at consultation before starting the shave
- b) adapting your **shaving techniques** to take account of **factors** you have identified as affecting the service
- c) adapting your **shaving techniques** and your client's position throughout the service to ensure safety and the effective removal of hair
- d) maintaining or replacing the cutting edge of razors during the shaving service, when required
- e) taking suitable remedial action to resolve any problems arising during the **shaving service**  
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- f) leaving your client's skin free from **lathering products** after shaving
- g) cooling your client's skin after shaving when face massage is not required
- h) leaving your client's skin free from excess moisture at the end of the service
- i) effectively applying **finishing products**, when used, to achieve the desired effect
- j) confirming the completed service is to the satisfaction of your client

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What you must do (continued)

### Outcome 4

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#### Provide aftercare advice by

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- a) giving **advice** and recommendations accurately and constructively
- b) advising clients on recommended actions and aftercare treatment including information on homecare products as necessary
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Observation Achieved	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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*“If the client is having a face massage after shaving, apply a warm towel when the lather has been removed. The face should be warm and facial muscles relaxed for face massage.”*

**Maurice Lister**

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### What you must cover

Before ticking the circles below you must make sure that you have achieved 'What you must cover' in all the outcomes in which it occurs.

**Shaving service** Tick the shaving service covered in each observation. **All** shaving service must be carried out.

	1	2	3		
full facial hair	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
beard outlines	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Tools and equipment** Tick the tools and equipment used in each observation. **All** tools and equipment must be used

	1	2	3		
clippers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
open blade razors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
lathering brushes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
sponges	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
applicators	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Factors** Tick the factors considered in each observation. **All** factors must be considered.

	1	2	3		
adverse skin conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
unusual features	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
hair growth patterns	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
hair density	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
facial contour	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
facial piercing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
clients' wishes	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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**Lathering products** Tick the lathering products used for each observation. **Both** must be used.

	1	2	3		
creams	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
oils	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Lathering techniques** Tick the lathering techniques used. **Both** must be used.

	1	2	3		
application by brush	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
application by massage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Shaving techniques** Tick the shaving techniques carried out. **All** shaving techniques must be carried out.

	1	2	3		
skin tensioning	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
forehand razoring	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
backhand razoring	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
sponge shaving	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Finishing products** Tick the finishing products used in each observation. **All** finishing products must be used.

	1	2	3		
astringents	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
moisturising balms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
powder	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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*“Before each shaving stroke, make sure the lather is still creamy and moist. Dry lather will not adequately lubricate the face: this will make the razor pull, causing considerable discomfort to the client.”*

**Maurice Lister**



**Advice**Tick the advice used in each observation. **All** advice must be carried out.

	1	2	3		
exfoliating	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
cleansing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
moisturising	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
how and when to shave	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
suitable homecare products and equipment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
potential for a change of look	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

<b>Observation</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>		
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## Comment form

This form can be used to record oral questioning, or for assessor/candidate comments, if required

Comments	Date
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3	

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### What you must know

You need to understand:		Evidence type	Date	Portfolio ref.
<b>Salon and legal requirements</b>				
1.	your salon's requirements for client preparation	E3		
2.	your salon's expected service times for shaving facial hair	E3		
3.	your salon's and legal requirements for disposal of sharps, hazardous and waste materials	E3		
4.	your responsibilities under the current Electricity at Work Regulations	E3		
5.	typical limitations placed on the use of fixed blade razors by local bye-laws and legislation	E3		
<b>How to work safely, effectively and hygienically when shaving facial hair</b>				
6.	the range of protective clothing that should be available for clients and yourself	E3		
7.	why it is important to wear gloves when shaving	E3		
8.	why it is important to protect clients from hair clippings	E3		
9.	how the position of your client and yourself can affect the desired outcome and reduce fatigue and the risk of injury	E3		
10.	the safety considerations which must be taken into account when shaving	E3		
11.	why it is important to avoid cross-infection	E3		
12.	why it is important to keep your work area clean and tidy	E3		

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13.	the importance of positioning tools and equipment for ease of use	E3	
14.	the importance of using the correct type of barber's chair for shaving services	E3	
15.	methods of cleaning, disinfecting and/or sterilisation used in salons	E3	
16.	methods of working safely and hygienically and which minimise the risk of cross-infection and cross-infestation	E3	
17.	the correct use and maintenance of shaving tools and equipment	E3	
18.	the importance of personal hygiene	E3	
19.	the importance of questioning clients to establish any contra-indications to the shaving service	E3	
20.	why it is important to record client responses to questioning	E3	
21.	the legal significance of client questioning and of recording the client's responses	E3	
22.	the importance of keeping and maintaining client records	E3	
<b>Facial hair and skin</b>			
23.	the structure of the skin	E3	
24.	the factors that must be taken into consideration prior to and during the shaving service, (eg suspected infections, infestations, hair growth patterns, facial piercing, skin disorders, unusual facial features) and why	E4	Centre files
25.	the scalp and facial skin disorders commonly affecting men and how to recognise them	E4	Centre files
26.	the importance of lathering and the function it performs on the skin and the hair	E4	Centre files
27.	the effect of heat on the hair and skin	E4	Centre files
28.	the potential risk of ingrowing hair resulting from continual close shaving	E4	Centre files
<b>Basic science</b>			
29.	the types of open blade razors with disposable blades available for professional use	E4	Centre files
30.	how to prepare an open blade razor with disposal blade for use	E3	
31.	how to prepare and use lathering products correctly	E3	

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32.	the types of finishing products available for use and their effects on skin	E3	
<b>Shaving techniques</b>			
33.	when not to carry out shaving	E4	Centre files
34.	when and why it is necessary to reduce beard length prior to shaving	E4	Centre files
35.	how to carry out the shaving techniques listed in the range	E3	
36.	why skin needs to be tensioned during shaving	E4	Centre files
37.	the importance of adapting shaving techniques in relation to the direction of hair growth	E4	Centre files
38.	when and why to use brush and massage techniques to apply lathering products	E4	Centre files
39.	the reasons for and effects of using cool towels after shaving	E4	Centre files
40.	why cold towels should not be used if the face is to be massaged	E4	Centre files
41.	when and why to use sponge shaving	E4	Centre files
42.	the importance of working in a way which maintains the right skin temperature throughout the shaving process	E4	Centre files
<b>Problem solving</b>			
43.	problems which may arise during the shaving process (eg shaving hair too close, damage to your client's and your own skin) and ways of resolving such problems	E4	Centre files
<b>Aftercare advice for clients</b>			
44.	suitable shaving equipment and products for home use that will benefit the client and those to avoid and why	E3	
45.	how to shave effectively and when to do so to maintain the desired look	E3	
46.	when and how to cleanse, exfoliate and moisturise	E3	
47.	how lifestyle can influence their choice and possible change of style	E3	
<b>Communication</b>			
48.	how to give effective advice and recommendations to clients	E4	Centre files
Shaded knowledge is covered in cross unit knowledge test.			
Tick if E3 was a GOLA test		<input type="radio"/>	
Tick if E4 was a GOLA test		<input type="radio"/>	

