

Qualification Specification

Focus Awards Level 3 Certificate in Using Pre-Blended
Oils for Massage (RQF)

603/5236/X

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Qualification Details

QAN: 603/5236/X
 GLH: 122
 CREDIT:14
 TQT: 137

Qualification Overview

The aim of this qualification is to develop the learner's knowledge of aromatherapy oils and using them to provide massage. The qualification will provide the learner with the understanding of preparation for work based on capability and knowledge. Learners will develop their ability to adapt the provision of client care and their communication skills to the needs of different clients. Learners will also learn how to manage client expectations.

Qualification Structure / Rules of Combination

To achieve this qualification the learner must complete all mandatory units achieving a total of 12 credits

Unit Details	Unit Ref	Level	GLH	Credits
Mandatory units				
Monitor and maintain health and safety practice in the salon	R/600/8780	3	29	4
Client care and communication in beauty-related industries	T/601/4457	3	28	3
Provide massage using pre-blended aromatherapy oils	Y/601/3558	3	65	7

Learner Entry Requirements

Learners must have prior knowledge of anatomy and physiology at level 2, other entry requirements are at the discretion of the centre.

Age Ranges

Entry is at the discretion of the centre; however learners should be 16 to undertake this qualification.

Geographical Coverage

This qualification has been accredited for use in England and Northern Ireland.

Reasonable Adjustments and Special Considerations

Please refer to the Focus Awards 'Focus Awards Reasonable Adjustments and Special Consideration Policy.'

Assessment Methods

Each learner is required to create portfolio of evidence which demonstrates achievement of all the learning outcomes and the assessment criteria associated with each unit.

The main pieces of evidence for the portfolio could include:

- Assessor observation – completed observational checklists on related action plans
- Witness testimony
- Learner product
- Worksheets
- Assignments / projects / reports
- Record of oral and written questioning
- Learner and peer reports
- Recognition of prior learning (RPL)

Evidence may be drawn from actual or simulated situations where appropriate and where permitted by the relevant Sector Skills Council or Sector Skills Body.

Progression Routes

Learners wishing to progress from this qualification can undertake the following qualifications:

- Focus Awards Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy
- Focus Awards Level 3 Certificate in Fashion and Photography Make-up
- Focus Awards Level 3 Diploma in Make-up Artistry

Useful Websites and Supporting Materials

You will find useful websites and supporting materials here:

- www.focusawards.org.uk
- www.hse.gov.uk/
- Ofqual.gov.uk

Staff Requirements

Requirements for Tutors

Tutors delivering the qualification will be required to hold or be working towards a teaching qualification. This may include qualifications such as the Levels 3, 4 or 5 in Education and Training, or a Certificate in Education. Focus Awards will however; consider other teaching qualifications upon submission. Tutors must also be able to demonstrate that they are occupationally competent within the sector area.

Requirements for Assessors

Assessors will be required to hold, or be working towards a relevant assessing qualification. This may include qualifications such as the Level 3 Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement, or the Level 3 Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment. Focus Awards will however; consider other relevant assessing qualifications upon submission. Trainee assessors who do not hold an assessment qualification will require their decisions to be countersigned by a suitably qualified assessor. Assessors must also be able to show they are occupationally competent within the sector area.

Requirements for Internal Quality Assurers (IQA)

Internal Quality Assurers should hold or be working towards the following an IQA qualification. This may include qualifications such as the V1 (previously D34), or the Level 4 Award in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes and Practice. Focus Awards will however; consider other relevant IQA qualifications upon submission. Trainee IQAs who do not hold an IQA qualification will require their decisions to be countersigned by a suitably qualified IQA. IQAs must be able to demonstrate occupational competence.