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Dry and finish men's hair



Overview

This unit is about using a range of styling techniques to dry men's hair to create a variety of finished looks. The ability to work with a high degree of manual dexterity, taking into account many factors, will be required. Working with a wide range of styling and finishing products is also included.

The main outcomes of this unit are:

1. maintain effective and safe methods of working when drying hair
2. dry and finish hair
3. provide aftercare advice

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Performance criteria

You must be able to:

- P1 **maintain effective and safe methods of working when drying** by
- P1.1. ensuring your client's clothing is effectively protected throughout the service
 - P1.2. wearing personal protective equipment, if required
 - P1.3. positioning your client to meet the needs of the service without causing them discomfort
 - P1.4. ensuring your own posture and position whilst working minimises fatigue and the risk of injury
 - P1.5. keeping your work area clean and tidy throughout the service
 - P1.6. using working methods that
 - minimise the wastage of **styling and finishing products**
 - minimise the risk of damage to tools
 - 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
 - P1.7. ensuring your personal standards of health and hygiene
 - minimise the risk of cross-infection, infestation and offence to your clients and colleagues
 - P1.8. using styling products, methods and equipment identified as a result of consultation with your client
 - P1.9. using equipment that is safe and fit for purpose
 - P1.10. testing the temperature of heated styling equipment prior to use and continually throughout the services
 - P1.11. keeping your tools and heated styling equipment free of product build up
 - P1.12. completing styling and finishing services within a commercially viable time
- P2 **dry and finish hair** by
- P2.1. confirming with your client the look agreed at consultation and during the service
 - P2.2. controlling your use of heated styling equipment to minimise the risk of damage to the hair and scalp, client discomfort and to achieve the desired look
 - P2.3. applying suitable **styling and finishing products**, when used, following manufacturers' instructions
 - P2.4. effectively controlling your client's **hair** during the styling process taking account of **factors** influencing the service
 - P2.5. using and adapting **styling techniques** to achieve the desired look
 - P2.6. ensuring the **finished look** takes into account relevant factors

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influencing the service

P2.7. achieving the finished look which meets the intended shape, direction and volume agreed with your client

P2.8. confirming your client's satisfaction with the finished look

P3 provide aftercare advice

P3.1. giving **advice** and recommendations accurately and constructively

P3.2. giving your client suitable **advice** on the maintenance of their style and hair condition

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

Salon and legal requirements

- K1 your salon's requirements for client preparation
- K2 your salon's expected service times for drying and finishing hair
- K3 your own responsibilities under the current Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations in relation to the use of styling and finishing products
- K4 your responsibilities under the current Electricity at Work Regulations

You need to know and understand:

How to work safely, effectively and hygienically when drying hair to shape

- K5 what is contact dermatitis and how to avoid developing it whilst carrying out styling and finishing services
- K6 the range of protective clothing that should be available for clients
- K7 why it is important to use personal protective equipment
- K8 the type of personal protective equipment available
- K9 how the position of your client and yourself can affect the desired outcome and reduce fatigue and the risk of injury
- K10 the importance of positioning equipment for ease of use
- K11 the safety considerations which must be taken into account when drying and finishing hair
- K12 why it is important to keep your work area clean and tidy
- K13 methods of working safely and hygienically and which minimise the risk of cross- infection and cross-infestation
- K14 the importance of personal hygiene
- K15 why it is important to check electrical equipment used to aid the drying and finishing processes
- K16 methods of cleaning, disinfecting and/or sterilisation used in salons
- K17 the importance of using products economically
- K18 the reasons why tools and heated styling equipment should be kept free from excess oils and product build up

You need to know and understand:

Basic science

- K19 the effects of humidity on hair
- K20 the physical effects of heated styling equipment on the hair structure
- K21 how the incorrect application of heat can affect the hair and scalp
- K22 why hair should be allowed to cool prior to finishing
- K23 why hair should be kept damp before drying
- K24 how heat protectors act to protect the hair

You need to know and understand:

Products, equipment and their use

- K25 the range of drying and finishing products, tools and equipment available

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- K26 when and why the types of drying and finishing products should be used
- K27 the manufacturers' instructions for the use of the specific styling and finishing products in your salon
- K28 why and how to use the different types of
 - K28.1 styling brushes and combs when blow drying and blow waving
 - K28.2 attachments when blow drying and blow waving

You need to know and understand:

Drying and finishing techniques and methods

- K29 current techniques for drying and finishing hair
- K30 how the factors in the range affect the drying process and the finished look
- K31 why the direction of the air flow when drying is important to achieve the desired look
- K32 how the size of the section and the angle at which the hair is held during drying influences the volume and direction of the hair movement
- K33 methods of handling and controlling hair sections during the drying process

You need to know and understand:

Aftercare advice for clients

- K34 products for home use that will benefit the client and those to avoid and why
- K35 how the continual use of heated equipment can affect the hair
- K36 how to recreate and maintain the agreed style
- K37 how lifestyle can influence their choice of style (eg active sports, career and job requirements)

You need to know and understand:

Communication

- K38 how to give effective advice and recommendations to clients

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Additional Information

Scope/range

1. **Styling and finishing products** are
 - 1.1. heat protectors
 - 1.2. sprays
 - 1.3. creams
 - 1.4. gels
 - 1.5. wax
2. **Hair** is
 - 2.1. curly
 - 2.2. straight
3. **Factors** are
 - 3.1. hair cut
 - 3.2. hair growth patterns
 - 3.3. hair elasticity
 - 3.4. head and face shape
 - 3.5. hair texture
 - 3.6. hair length
 - 3.7. hair density
4. **Styling techniques** are
 - 4.1. with a round brush
 - 4.2. with a flat brush
 - 4.3. finger drying
5. **Finished looks** are
 - 5.1. straightening
 - 5.2. smoothing
 - 5.3. creating volume
 - 5.4. creating movement
6. **Advice** covers
 - 6.1. suitable aftercare products and their use
 - 6.2. use of heated styling equipment
 - 6.3. how to recreate and maintain the style

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