

# SKAATH3 (SQA Unit Code F7BF 04)

## Remove hair extensions



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### Overview

This unit is about removing a variety of hair extension types safely following the instructions of the stylist. The ability to use a variety of removal tools and products is also required.

The main outcomes of this unit are:

1. maintain effective and safe methods of working when removing hair extensions
2. remove hair extensions

Please note that the Habia Assessment Strategy and Evidence Requirements for these standards are available from the Habia website <http://www.habia.org>

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### Performance criteria

*You must be able to:*

- P1 **maintain effective and safe methods of working when moving hair extensions** by
- P1.1 ensuring your client's clothing is effectively protected throughout the service
  - P1.2 positioning your client to meet the needs of the service without causing them discomfort
  - P1.3 ensuring your own posture and position whilst working minimises fatigue and the risk of injury
  - P1.4 keeping your work area clean and tidy throughout the service
  - P1.5 using working methods that
    - minimise the risk of damage to **tools**
    - minimise the wastage of products
    - 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
  - P1.6 ensuring your personal standards of health and hygiene minimise the risk of cross-infection, infestation and offence to your clients and colleagues
  - P1.7 using **tools and products** that are safe and fit for the purpose
  - P1.8 completing the hair extension removal service within a commercially viable time
- P2 **remove hair extensions** by
- P2.1 **removing** hair extensions in the sequence instructed by the stylist
  - P2.2 using the specified **tools and products** effectively and minimising damage to your client's hair
  - P2.3 checking your client's comfort at regular intervals throughout the service
  - P2.4 ensuring the **removal** process minimises the discomfort to your client
  - P2.5 ensuring the hair is free from unwanted extensions
  - P2.6 detangling your clients hair from point to root minimising damage to the natural hair
  - P2.7 ensuring the removal of the hair extensions is to the satisfaction of the stylist and ready for the next service

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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 removing hair extensions
- K3 your salon's requirements for the disposal of waste
- K4 your salon's image and expected standards of service

*You need to know and understand:*

#### **How to work safely, effectively and hygienically when removing hair extensions**

- K5 the range of protective clothing that should be available for clients
- K6 why it is important to protect clients from hair clippings
- K7 how the position of your client and yourself can affect the desired outcome and reduce fatigue and the risk of injury
- K8 the safety considerations which must be taken into account when removing hair extensions
- K9 why it is important to avoid cross-infection and infestation
- K10 why it is important to keep your work area clean and tidy
- K11 methods of sterilisation used in hairdressing salons
- K12 methods of working safely and hygienically and which minimise the risk of cross-infection and cross-infestation
- K13 the correct use and maintenance of removal tools
- K14 the importance of personal hygiene

*You need to know and understand:*

#### **Communication**

- K15 the types of anxieties commonly experienced by clients undergoing the hair extension removal process
- K16 how to help relieve client anxieties in a reassuring way
- K17 the importance of checking you have understood the instructions given by the stylist (e.g. by asking questions to clarify)

*You need to know and understand:*

#### **Hair and skin**

- K18 the average rate of hair growth
- K19 the potential consequences of excessive tension on the hair
- K20 how to identify the signs of traction alopecia
- K21 how wearing extensions beyond their recommended time period can affect the removal process

*You need to know and understand:*

#### **Hair extension removal techniques**

- K22 how to remove sewn, plaited, fused and bonded hair extensions
- K23 the generally accepted sequence of working for removing hair extensions
- K24 the types of products to use when removing fused and bonded hair extensions.

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### Additional information

#### Scope/range related to performance criteria

1. **Removal tools and products** are
  - 1.1. seam rippers
  - 1.2. scissors
  - 1.3. seal breakers
  - 1.4. lotions
  
2. **Removal** covers
  - 2.1. sewn extensions
  - 2.2. plaited extensions
  - 2.3. fused extensions
  - 2.4. bonded extensions

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