

Changes to the Edexcel levels 1 and level 2 NVQ in Hairdressing.

HABIA, the Standards Setting Body (SSB) for hair and beauty have made changes to the level 1 and level 2 NVQs in Hairdressing.

These include:

- ❖ Changes to the status of mandatory units
- ❖ Changes to the status of optional units
- ❖ Changes to the titles of units
- ❖ the addition of one mandatory unit at Level 1

Edexcel Level 1 NVQ in Hairdressing

To achieve the whole qualification at Level 1, you must prove competence in five mandatory units and one option unit.

Mandatory unit titles

Within the new structure	Within the current structure
G1: Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety	<i>G1: Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health and safety</i>
—	<i>G2: Assist with salon reception duties</i>
G3: Contribute to the development of effective working relationships	<i>G3: Contribute to the development of effective working relationships</i>
H1: Shampoo and condition hair	<i>H1: Shampoo and condition hair</i>
H5: Prepare for hairdressing services and maintain work areas	<i>H5: Prepare for hairdressing services and maintain work areas</i>
H37 Assist with colouring services (new unit)	

Optional unit titles

Within the new structure	Within the current structure
—	<i>H2: Assist with perming and colouring services</i>
—	<i>H3: Assist with perming, relaxing and colouring services</i>
—	<i>H4: Assist with perming, relaxing and colouring services for African Caribbean hair</i>
G2: Assist with salon reception duties	—
H38: Assist with perming hair services	—
H39: Assist with perming hair and relaxing services	—
H40: Assist with perming hair and relaxing services for African Caribbean hair	—

Edexcel Level 2 NVQ in Hairdressing

To achieve the whole qualification at Level 2, you must prove competence in seven mandatory units, plus two optional units.

Mandatory unit titles

Within the new structure	<i>Within the current structure</i>
G1 Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health & safety	<i>G1 Ensure your own actions reduce risks to health & safety</i>
G5 Give clients a positive impression of yourself and your organisation	<i>G5 Give clients a positive impression of yourself and your organisation</i>
G7 Advise and consult with clients	<i>G7 Advise and consult with clients</i>
H6 Cut hair using basic techniques	<i>H6 Cut hair using basic techniques</i>
H9 Shampoo and condition hair and scalp	<i>H9 Shampoo and condition hair and scalp</i>
H10 Style, dress and finish hair using basic techniques	<i>H10 Style, dress and finish hair using basic techniques</i>
H13 Change hair colour using basic techniques	<i>H13 Change hair colour using basic techniques</i>
	<i>H12 Perm and neutralise hair using basic techniques</i> OR <i>H15 Perm, relax and neutralise hair</i> OR <i>H16 Perm, relax and neutralise African Caribbean hair</i>

Optional units

Within the new structure	<i>Within the current structure</i>
H11 Style hair using basic plaiting techniques and added hair	<i>H11 Style hair using basic plaiting techniques and added hair</i>
G4 Fulfil salon reception duties	<i>G4 Fulfil salon reception duties</i>
G6 Promote additional products or services to clients	<i>G6 Promote additional products or services to clients</i>
G8 Develop and maintain your effectiveness at work	<i>G8 Develop and maintain your effectiveness at work</i>
H18 Provide scalp massage services	<i>H18 Provide scalp massage services</i>
H12 Perm and neutralise hair using basic techniques* OR H15 Perm, relax and neutralise hair* OR H16 Perm, relax and neutralise African Caribbean hair*	

*Candidates opting for perming as part of their initial qualification should choose one unit from H12, H15 or H116 to ensure skill development in an additional area.