

**Specification of Competency Standards for Hairdressing Industry**

**Unit of Competency**

1. Title	Master Hair Cutting and Blow-drying Techniques
2. Code	105368L3
3. Range	This unit of competency (UoC) is applicable in hairdressing-related workplaces. It requires judgement and analysis. Practitioners should be able to master hair cutting and blow-drying techniques to design required hairstyles for customers within reasonable time.
4. Level	3
5. Credit	6 (for reference only)
6. Competency	<p>Performance Requirements</p> <p>6.1 Possess knowledge of hair cutting, blow-drying and hairstyle design</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ Possess knowledge of hairstyle design, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Effects of four basic forms of cutting</li><li>• Matching face shapes and facial features with hairstyles</li><li>• Relationship between hair texture and hairstyle</li><li>• Matching professional and clothing with hairstyles</li><li>• Matching occasions with hairstyles</li><li>• Matching age and gender with hairstyles</li></ul></li><li>◆ Understand the effects of the mixed use of four basic forms of cutting</li><li>◆ Understand the characteristics of layered cutting for different hair lengths</li><li>◆ Understand hairstyle design techniques and their noting points for different hair growth patterns, e.g.: sideburns, upper hairline at the back of the neck, different types of baldness, etc.</li><li>◆ Know about the using techniques and effects of different cutting tools, e.g.:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scissors/shear</li><li>• Teaser/razor</li><li>• Clipper/electric clipper</li><li>• Basic hair cutting techniques, e.g.: blunt cut, scissors-over-comb, thinning, point cut and slide cut, etc.</li></ul></li><li>◆ Possess knowledge of blow-drying and styling, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Functions of different blow-drying and styling tools and techniques of using them</li><li>• Cleaning and maintenance of different blow-drying and styling tools</li></ul></li><li>◆ Understand the blow-drying techniques for different hairstyles</li><li>◆ Understand the effects and the correct and safe use of different styling products</li><li>◆ Know about short hair cutting and blow-drying techniques, including:</li><li>◆ Relationship between the four layers from the length of 0cm to 15cm (approx. 6”) and the increase of angles</li><li>◆ Trimming hair ends</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Know about the cutting and blow-drying techniques for classic hairstyles for men, e.g.: flattop, pompadour, crew cut, etc.</li> <li>◆ Understand how to communicate with and listen to customers in order to understand their needs</li> </ul> <p>6.2 Apply hair cutting and blow-drying techniques</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Choose appropriate hair cutting and blow-drying tools and styling products according to customer requirements</li> <li>◆ Apply hair cutting and blow-drying techniques to complete hairstyles required by taking into consideration of factors such as the requirements, individual face shapes, facial features and hair textures of different customers, etc.; or by making reference to hairstyle photos; and according to codes of practice for personal and working hygiene for customers</li> <li>◆ Observe if there are any side effects occurred to customers during the service, and make remedies according to established procedures</li> <li>◆ Examine and retouch the hair cutting and blow-drying effects</li> <li>◆ Explain the aftercare to customers</li> </ul> <p>6.3 Exhibit professionalism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◆ Ensure the correct use of related electrical equipment and the prevention of electrical hazards in daily routines</li> </ul>
7. Assessment Criteria	<p>The integrated outcome requirements of this UoC are the abilities to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Master customer communication techniques in order to understand customer requirements on hairstyles;</li> <li>(ii) Master the effects and the use of different hair cutting and blow-drying tools and styling products to help design hairstyles; and</li> <li>(iii) Master hair cutting and blow-drying techniques, and follow customer requirements or make reference to hairstyle photos to complete hairstyles required by the customers within reasonable time.</li> </ul>
8. Remark	