TENNESSEE COSMETOLOGY BOARD

TENNESSEE NATURAL HAIR STYLIST EXAMINATION
CANDIDATE INFORMATION BULLETIN

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Please refer to our website to check for the most updated information at www.psiexams.com.
This Candidate Information Bulletin provides you with information about the examination and application process for a cosmetology licensee in the State of Tennessee.

The Tennessee Cosmetology Board has contracted with PSI to conduct the examination program. PSI provides examinations through a network of computer examination centers in Tennessee. PSI works closely with the State to be certain that examinations meet local as well as national requirements in basic principles and examination development standards.

**EXAMINATIONS BY PSI**

You must be pre-approved to take the examination. Your education provider will provide your eligibility, electronically, to PSI upon successful completion of the course requirements. You will receive an email confirmation immediately after you have been submitted.

After your provider has submitted your file to PSI, please go to www.psiexams.com or call 1-800-733-9267 to pay and schedule for your examination. Note, if PSI does not have your record, please contact your education provider.

**NAME CHANGE INSTRUCTIONS**

If your name differs on any of your paperwork, please include documentation of legal name changes. This may require multiple marriage certificates, or other legal documents, if your name has changed more than once.

**EXAMINATION PAYMENT AND SCHEDULING**

You must pass the Natural Hair Theory portion of the examination before you can pay the fee and schedule the Natural Hair Practical portion. You have 3 years to pass both portions to qualify for a license. Once you pass both portions, you have 6 months to apply for licensure.

The Natural Hair Theory Portion and the Practical Portion may not be administered at the same location. Please verify each address listed in this Bulletin.

**EXAMINATION FEE**

| Natural Hair Theory Portion only | $70          |
| Natural Hair Practical Portion only | $70          |
| Natural Hair Reinstatement | $35          |

**NOTE:** EXAMINATION FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE. THE EXAMINATION FEE IS VALID FOR ONE YEAR FROM THE DATE OF PAYMENT.

For the fastest and most convenient examination scheduling process, register for your examinations online by accessing PSI’s registration Web site at www.psiexams.com. Internet registration is available 24 hours a day.

- Log onto PSI’s website and create an account. Please enter your email address and first and last name. This information must match exactly with the information submitted on your application. Be sure to check the box next to “Check here to attempt to locate existing records for you in the system”

- You will be asked to select the examination and enter your SS#. Your record will be found and you will now be ready to pay and schedule for the exam. Enter your zip code and a list of the testing sites closest to you will appear. Once you select the desired test site, available dates will appear. If you have problems, contact PSI at (800) 733-9267 for help.

**TELEPHONE**

- To register by phone, you need a valid credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover).

- Call (800) 733-9267, Monday through Friday between 6:30 am and 9:00 pm, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Central Time, to speak to a Customer Service Representative.

**FAX REGISTRATION**

Complete the PSI registration form (found at the end of this bulletin), including your credit card number and expiration date. Fax the completed form to PSI at (702) 932-2666. Fax registrations are accepted 24 hours a day.

Please allow 4 business days to process your Registration. After 4 business days, you may go online or call PSI to schedule the examination.

**EMAIL REGISTRATION**

Complete the PSI registration form (found at the end of this bulletin), including your credit card number and expiration date. Email the completed form to PSI at examschedule@psionline.com. Email registrations are accepted 24 hours a day.

Please allow 4 business days to process your Registration. After 4 business days, you may go online or call PSI to schedule the examination.

**STANDARD MAIL REGISTRATION**

Complete the PSI registration form (found at the end of this bulletin), and send the form with the appropriate examination fee to PSI. You may pay fees by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Discover), money order, company check, or cashier’s check. Make money order or check payable to PSI and print your name on it so we can ensure the payment is applied to your registration. CASH and PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.

Please allow PSI 2 weeks to process a mailed registration. After 2 weeks, you may go online or call PSI to schedule the examination.
RESCHEDULING/CANCELING AN EXAMINATION APPOINTMENT
You may cancel and reschedule an examination appointment without forfeiting your fee if PSI receives your cancellation at least 2 days before the scheduled examination date. For example, for a Monday appointment, you would need to cancel your appointment on or before the previous Saturday.

To cancel an appointment, you can use PSI’s Internet web site or call (800) 733-9267, Monday through Friday between 6:30 am and 9:00 pm, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 am and 4:30 pm, Central Time, to speak to a Customer Service Representative.

Note: You cannot cancel an appointment by leaving a voice mail message. You must use the PSI Website or speak directly to a PSI customer service representative.

MISSED APPOINTMENT OR LATE CANCELLATION
You will forfeit your examination fee if you:
▪ Do not cancel your appointment at least 2 days before the scheduled examination date;
▪ Do not appear for your examination appointment;
▪ Arrive after examination start time; or
▪ Do not present proper identification when you arrive for the examination.

EXAM ACCOMMODATIONS
All PSI examination centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and exam accommodations will be made in meeting a candidate’s needs. A candidate with a disability or a candidate who would otherwise have difficulty taking the examination must complete the Exam Accommodations Request Form at the end of this Candidate Information Bulletin and must fax it to PSI (702) 932-2666 or email it to PSI at examschedule@psionline.com.

EXAMINATION TEST CENTER CLOSING FOR AN EMERGENCY
If severe weather or another emergency forces the closure of an examination center on a scheduled examination date, your examination will be rescheduled. PSI personnel will attempt to contact you in this situation. However, you may check the status of your examination appointment by calling (800) 733-9267 or viewing the website at www.psiexam.com. Every effort will be made to reschedule your examination at a convenient time as soon as possible. You will not be penalized. Your exam will be rescheduled at no additional charge to you.

EXAMINATION REVIEW
PSI, in cooperation with the Tennessee Cosmetology Board, will be consistently evaluating the examinations being administered to ensure that the examinations accurately measure competency in the required knowledge areas. While taking the examination, examinees will have the opportunity to provide comments on any questions. Comments may also be entered by clicking the Comments link on the function bar of the test question screen.

Your comments regarding the questions and the examinations are welcomed. Comments will be analyzed by PSI examination development staff. While PSI does not respond to individuals regarding these comments, all substantive comments are reviewed. If a discrepancy is found during the comment review, PSI and the Board may re-evaluate candidates’ results and adjust them accordingly. This is the only review of the Theory examination available to candidates. There is NO review process for the Practical portion of the exam.

EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS FOR NATURAL HAIR THEORY AND LAW PORTIONS

The Natural Hair Theory and Law portions are administered at the examination centers listed below:

Cookeville
Cookeville Higher Education Campus
1000 Neal St.
Cookeville, TN 38501

Head east on I-40 E 0.6 mi Take exit 288 for TN-111 toward Livingston/Sparta 0.2 mi
Turn left onto TN-111 N (signs for Algood/Livingston) Use the right lane to take the US-70N ramp to Monterey/Cookeville 0.2 mi Turn left onto US-70N W/E Spring St (signs for Cookeville) Pass by Burger King (on the right in 0.2 mi) 0.3 mi Turn left onto Neal St Destination will be on the right 0.8 mi.

Chattanooga
6918 Shallowford Rd., Suite 314
Chattanooga, TN 37421
Take I-24 thru Chattanooga. Merge onto I-75 N (toward Knoxville). Take Exit #5 - Shallowford Rd. Turn Left onto Shallowford. The office is on the left.

Jackson
368 North Parkway, #3
Jackson, TN 38305

From I-40, Exit 80A onto South 45 Bypass. Third Signal light is North Parkway. Go left onto North Parkway and then go right into the first driveway on your right.
From the South, take Bypass 45 North to North Parkway and go right onto North Parkway and right into first driveway on the right.
North Parkway is also known as Business Route 412. Coming from the east on 412, turn left into last driveway on the left. Coming from the West on North Parkway, turn right into the first driveway on the right, after crossing the 45 Bypass.
Johnson City
904 Sunset Drive, Suite 7A
Johnson City, TN 37604

Take I-26 to Exit 19 (Old number 36). Go South on Highway 381 (North State of Franklin Road) approximately 2.2 miles. At the 4th light turn left (this is Sunset Drive), go approximately .7 tenths of a mile. There is a large building on the left side of the road. This is 904 Sunset Drive. Suite 7A is in the row of office spaces behind this building.

Knoxville
301 South Gallaher View Rd, Suite 114
Knoxville, TN 37919

Traveling I-40/I-75 East Bound, take exit # 379 (Bridgewater Rd.) Turn right onto Bridgewater Rd. Turn Left onto Kingston Pike. Turn right onto South Gallaher View Rd.

Memphis
Apple Tree Center
6099 Mt. Moriah Extended, Suite 17
Memphis, TN 38115

Coming North from Mississippi on Interstate Hwy 55, take Interstate Hwy 240 East. Proceed 8.5 miles to Mt. Moriah Rd. Exit. Go South on Mt. Moriah Road 2.2 miles. Apple Tree Center is on the right (just past the intersection with Hickory Hill and Ridgeway roads).

Coming West on Interstate Hwy 40, exit onto Interstate Hwy 240 West (the ring road). Proceed approx. 6.5 miles. Pass Poplar Ave. exit and then take Mt. Moriah Road Exit. Turn left (South) on Mt. Moriah and proceed 2.2 miles to Apple Tree Center on the right.

Interstate Hwy 40, exit onto Interstate Hwy 240 South. Go approx. 6 miles to the junction with Interstate Hwy 55. Then proceed another 8.5 miles on Interstate Hwy 240 East, passing Airways Blvd., Lamar Ave., Getwell and Perkins Road exits, before exiting on Mt. Moriah Road.

For all going South on Mt. Moriah Rd., take the second entrance into Apple Tree Center. Turn left between the two buildings on the left. Then, proceed to Suite 17, which is the last suite on the left (in Bldg. 6099).

Nashville
The Oaks
1102 Kermit Drive, Suite 101
Nashville, TN 37217

From I-40 East: take exit onto I-24 (Exit 213-A). Take Murfreesboro Road at the first exit (Exit 52). Stay in the right lane on the ramp, as the exit appears while you are still in the curve. On Murfreesboro, stay in the left lane. You will pass Days Inn and Super Gigante grocery on your right. Turn left onto Kermit Drive when there is a McDonalds on your right. PSI is in the first building on your left.

From I-40 West: take exit onto Briley Parkway, turn left onto Briley Pkwy. Exit onto Murfreesboro Rd. Stay in the right lane. Turn right onto Kermit Drive. PSI is in the first building on your left.

EXAMINATION SITE LOCATIONS
FOR PRACTICAL PORTION

The Natural Hair Practical portion is administered at the examination centers listed below:

PSI Memphis
Apple Tree Center
6099 Mt. Moriah Extended, Suite 26
Memphis, TN 38115

Coming North from Mississippi on Interstate Hwy 55, take Interstate Hwy 240 East. Proceed 8.5 miles to Mt. Moriah Rd. Exit. Go South on Mt. Moriah Road 2.2 miles. Apple Tree Center is on the right (just past the intersection with Hickory Hill and Ridgeway roads).

Coming West on Interstate Hwy 40 from Nashville, exit on Interstate Hwy 240 West (the ring road). Proceed approx. 6.5 miles. Pass Poplar Ave. exit and then take Mt. Moriah Road Exit. Turn left (South) on Mt. Moriah and proceed 2.2 miles to Apple Tree Center on the right.

Coming East on Interstate Hwy 40, exit onto Interstate Hwy 240 South. Go approx. 6 miles to the junction with Interstate Hwy 55. Then proceed another 8.5 miles on Interstate Hwy 240 East, passing Airways Blvd., Lamar Ave., Getwell and Perkins Road exits, before exiting on Mt. Moriah Road.

For all going South on Mt. Moriah Rd., take the second entrance into Apple Tree Center. Turn left between the two buildings on the left. Then, proceed to Suite 17, which is the last suite on the left (in Bldg. 6099).

PSI Nashville
Corporate Park, Bldg. B
444 Metroplex Dr., Suite B100
Nashville, TN 37211

From I-40, exit onto I-24 East. From I-24 Exit #56 onto Harding Place (if exiting from I-24 East, turn left onto Harding, if existing from I-24 West, turn right onto Harding). Turn left at the first traffic light (Metroplex Drive). Turn right into Corporate Park. Go to the last building in the left. A sign in front shows “444 Metroplex”. Go to the back of the building to the first floor. Enter through double doors - Ste 100.

PSI Knoxville
9050 Executive Park Dr., Suite 206B
Knoxville, TN 37923

Traveling I-40/I-75 West Bound, take exit #378 (Cedar Bluff Rd.) Then take exit #378B (Executive Park Dr.). At the red light turn right onto Executive Park Dr. Turn right into 9050 on the right (Financial Plaza).

Traveling I-40/I-75 East Bound, take exit # 378 (Cedar Bluff Rd.) At the end of the ramp, at the red light, turn left onto Cedar Bluff Rd. At the 2nd light turn right onto Executive Park Dr. Go past the 1st red light and turn into 9050 on the right (Financial Plaza).

The suite is in the back of the building.
On the day of the examination, you should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment time. This allows time for sign-in and identification verification and provides time to familiarize yourself with the examination process. If you arrive late, you will not be admitted to the examination site and you will forfeit your examination registration fee.

**REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION AT EXAMINATION SITE**

You must provide 2 forms of identification. One must be a VALID form of government issued identification (driver’s license, state ID, passport), which bears your signature and has your photograph or a complete physical description. The second ID must have your signature and preprinted legal name. All identification provided must match the name on the Exam Registration Form.

If you cannot provide the required identification, you must call (800) 733-9267 at least 3 weeks prior to your scheduled appointment to arrange a way to meet this security requirement. Failure to provide all of the required identification at the time of the examination without notifying PSI is considered a missed appointment, and you will not be able to take the examination.

**SECURITY PROCEDURES**

The following security procedures will apply during the examination:

- Calculators are not allowed.
- Candidates may take only approved items into the examination room.
- All personal belongings of candidates, with the exception of close-fitting jackets or sweatshirts, should be placed in the secure storage provided at each site prior to entering the examination room. Personal belongings include, but are not limited to, the following items:
  - Electronic devices of any type, including cellular / mobile phones, recording devices, electronic watches, cameras, pagers, laptop computers, tablet computers (e.g., iPads), music players (e.g., iPods), smart watches, radios, or electronic games.
  - Bulky or loose clothing or coats that could be used to conceal recording devices or notes, including coats, shawls, hooded clothing, heavy jackets, or overcoats.
  - Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons or as religious apparel, including hats, baseball caps, or visors.
  - Other personal items, including purses, notebooks, reference or reading material, briefcases, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, other writing devices, food, drinks, and good luck items.
- Person(s) accompanying an examination candidate may not wait in the examination center, inside the building or on the building’s property. This applies to guests of any nature, including drivers, children, friends, family, colleagues or instructors.
- No smoking, eating, or drinking is allowed in the examination center.
- During the check in process, all candidates will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Candidates may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty. The proctor may also ask candidates to lift up the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that notes or recording devices are not being hidden there.
- Proctors will also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a recording device. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in candidates’ pockets.
- If prohibited items are found during check-in, candidates shall put them in the provided secure storage or return these items to their vehicle. PSI will not be responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items.
- Any candidate possessing prohibited items in the examination room shall immediately have his or her test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the examination sponsor of the occurrence.
- Any candidate seen giving or receiving assistance on an examination, found with unauthorized materials, or who violates any security regulations will be asked to surrender all examination materials and to leave the examination center. All such instances will be reported to the examination sponsor.
- Copying or communicating examination content is violation of a candidate’s contract with PSI, and federal and state law. Either may result in the disqualification of examination results and may lead to legal action.
- Once candidates have been seated and the examination begins, they may leave the examination room only to use the restroom, and only after obtaining permission from the proctor. Candidate will not receive extra time to complete the examination.

**COSMETOLOGY THEORY AND LAW PORTIONS**

The examination will be administered via computer. You will be using a mouse and computer keyboard.

**IDENTIFICATION SCREEN**

You will be directed to a semi-private testing station to take the examination. When you are seated at the testing station, you will be prompted to confirm your name, identification number, and the examination for which you are registered.

**TUTORIAL**

Before you start your examination, an introductory tutorial is provided on the computer screen. The time you spend on this tutorial, up to 15 minutes, DOES NOT count as part of your examination time. Sample questions are included following the tutorial so that you may practice answering questions, and reviewing your answers.

**TEST QUESTION SCREEN**

The “function bar” at the top of the test question provides mouse-click access to th2e features available while taking the examination.
One question appears on the screen at a time. During the examination, minutes remaining will be displayed at the top of the screen and updated as you record your answers.

IMPORTANT: After you have entered your responses, you will later be able to return to any question(s) and change your response, provided the examination time has not run out.

EXPERIMENTAL QUESTIONS

In addition to the number of examination questions specified in the "Examination Content Outlines", a small number (5) of "experimental" questions may be administered to candidates during the examinations. These questions will not be scored and the time taken to answer them will not count against examination time. The administration of such unscored, experimental questions is an essential step in developing future licensing examinations.

NATURAL HAIR THEORY PORTION

CONTENT OUTLINE

The examination content outline has been prepared and is periodically updated by committees of professionals who are subject matter experts in Natural Hair stylist practice, instruction, and regulatory issues. The examination content outline identifies areas of importance to licensees in order for them to perform their duties to the public in a competent and legally responsible manner.

Use the outline as a guide for pre-examination review of reference material. The outline lists the topics that are on the examination and the number of questions for each topic. Do not schedule your examination until you are familiar with the topics on the outline.

The examination consists of 50 questions and you will have 1 hour and 15 minutes.

I. Sanitation, Disinfection, and Safety (15%; 8 questions)
   a. Cleaning and Disinfecting of Implements and Equipment
   b. Cleaning and Disinfecting of Work Environment
   c. Sanitary and Safety Procedures and Pathogens
II. Shampooing and Conditioning Hair (10%; 5 questions)
   a. Shampooing and Scalp Massage
   b. Conditioning
III. Hair Styling (25%; 12 questions)
   a. Communicating with Client
   b. Evaluating Hair
   c. Styling Hair
   d. Human Physiology
IV. Braids and Braid Extensions (40%; 20 questions)
   a. Evaluating Hair and Scalp
   b. Applying/Removing Extensions
   c. Braiding
V. Licensing (10%; 5 questions)
   a. Meeting Licensure Requirements/Licensed Duties
   b. Renewal
   c. Board Responsibilities and Disciplinary Actions
   d. Displaying the License
   e. Salon Owner and Manager Responsibilities
   f. Change of Address, Contact Information, Ownership

REFERENCE LIST

This examination is CLOSED BOOK.

The reference materials listed below were used to prepare the questions for this examination.

- Rules of Tennessee State Board of Cosmetology, Chapter 0440-01: Licensing, March, 2018 (Revised) TN Rules of COS Board - Ch. 0440-01
- Rules of Tennessee State Board of Cosmetology, Chapter 0440-02: Sanitary Rules, March, 2018 (Revised) TN Rules of COS Board - Ch. 0440-02
- Tennessee Code Title 62 Professions, Businesses and Trades, Chapter 4, 2010, Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62 - Professions, Businesses and Trades, Chapter 4 - Tennessee Cosmetology Act of 1986. The hyperlink to include for this source is: https://advance.lexis.com/container?config=014CJAA5ZGvhZjA3NS02MmMzLTRlZmQtOGJjNC00YzQ1MmZlNzc2YWYKAFBvZENhdGFsb292e9Yy9pNUJTRaIWFyru9udcidr=3c2fd040-a372-42ba-956a-38a1b1bb21cc&amp;prid=eb3e88f8-8c93-4c59-8b7f-4ed6e09cac21

NATURAL HAIR LAW PORTION

Individuals who are under the age of 65 and would like to activate a retired license must take the law and practical portions. Individuals with licenses that have expired for 3 years or more must take the law and practical portions for reinstatement of their licenses. With Board approval, individuals who are licensed in another state and would like to obtain a Tennessee license must also take the law and practical portions.

CONTENT OUTLINE
The following content outline lists the topics that are on the examination and the number of questions for each topic. Do not schedule your examination until you are familiar with the topics in the outline.

The examination consists of 25 questions and you will have 40 minutes.

I. Sanitation, Disinfection, and Safety (20%; 5 items)
   a. Cleaning and Disinfecting of Implements and Equipment
   b. Cleaning and Disinfecting of Work Environment
   c. Sanitary Procedures and Pathogens

II. Licensing (80%; 20 items)
   a. Meeting Licensure Requirements/Licensed Duties
   b. Renewal
   c. Board Responsibilities and Disciplinary Actions
   d. Displaying the License
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NATURAL HAIR THEORY AND LAW SCORE REPORTING

You must score at least 70 percent to pass the examination.

Your score will be given to you immediately following completion of the examination. The following summary describes the score reporting process:

- **On screen** - your results will appear immediately on the computer screen. This will happen automatically at the end of the time allowed for the examination; if you are using review features, you will be able to obtain your score immediately when you indicate that you have finished and would like to see your results.
- If you **pass**, you will immediately receive a successful notification.
- If you **do not pass**, you will immediately receive an unsuccessful notification on the screen along with a diagnostic report indicating your strengths and weaknesses. Registration forms for submittal to PSI to retake the examination will be available at the examination site.

### On paper

An official score report will be printed at the examination site.

**DUPLICATE SCORE REPORT/LICENSE APPLICATION**

You may request a duplicate score report and/or a license application after your examination by emailing scorereport@psionline.com or by calling 800-733-9267.

**NATURAL HAIR PRACTICAL EXAMINATION**

For practical examination questions or concerns, please email cosmetology@psionline.com

Read the following instructions carefully so that you will be properly prepared for the examination.

- You are required to bring a mannequin for the Natural Hair Stylist Practical exam.
- A proctor will be monitoring the time during the examination. Candidates will not receive points for any activities not completed within the allotted time limits.
- Candidates are NOT allowed to use personal timers during the examination.
- If you do NOT bring the items listed in the “Kits/Supplies and Equipment” section or bring a wrong item, you will NOT receive points for completing those steps.
- During the Practical examination, you must follow all appropriate rules for patron protection that will ensure the health, safety and welfare of the public.
- Aerosol products are **NOT** permitted for use during the examination.
- You may not observe other candidates during the examination.

**KITS/SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT**

It is recommended that you bring the following supplies to the practical examination:

- Cape
- Towels
- Combs
- Mannequin Head
- EPA-registered disinfectant
- Alcohol
- Spray bottle
- Pre-cut hair extensions matching the hair color of the mannequin
- Pre-cut hair weft matching the hair color of the mannequin
- Clips
- Needle and pre-cut thread
- Rubber bands
- Blood Exposure Kit (First-Aid kit)
- Mannequin stand, tri-pod or clamp
- Sealable plastic bag for waste materials
- Hand sanitizer
- Scissors for cutting thread

**ITEMS SUPPLIED BY TESTING VENDOR**

- Work stations
- Wall clock
- Brooms and dust pans
NATURAL HAIR PRACTICAL PORTION RATING CRITERIA

The following information will be used by examiners to grade your performance during the practical portion:

ALL PROCEDURE CRITERIA MUST BE PERFORMED IN ORDER FOR THE CANDIDATE TO RECEIVE POINTS FOR THE TASKS

It is NOT necessary to perform additional or altered steps/tasks not listed below. Items NOT listed below are NOT rated during the examination. Candidates MUST raise their hand at the end of each section indicating completion.

PRE-EXAM SET UP AND DISINFECTION
Time Allowed: 10 minutes

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Disinfects work surfaces
3) Kit remains sanitary
4) Avoids cross contamination

CORNROW AND FREEFALL
Perform one cornrow and one freefall (also known as an underhand individual braid) on quadrant of your choice.
Time Allowed: 22 minutes

Procedure Criteria (1 point each):
1) Sanitizes/cleans hands
2) Performs draping for Natural Hair service
3) Parts hair into four equal quadrants
4) Perform one cornrow in quadrant of your choice
5) Performs freefall braid in same quadrant

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Ensures workstation/area remains sanitary
3) Ensures draping is maintained throughout service
4) Replaces contaminated items
5) Kit remains sanitary
6) Avoids cross contamination

VISIBLE AND INVISIBLE BRAIDS
Perform one visible braid (also known as an underhand single or individual braid) and one invisible braid (also known as a French or overhand braid) in quadrant of your choice.
ALL PROCEDURE CRITERIA MUST BE PERFORMED IN THE ORDER LISTED.
Time Allowed: 17 minutes

Procedure Criteria (1 point each):
1) Sanitizes/cleans hands
2) Perform visible braid in quadrant of your choice
3) Performs invisible braid in same quadrant

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Ensures workstation/area remains sanitary
3) Ensures draping is maintained throughout service
4) Replaces contaminated items
5) Kit remains sanitary
6) Avoids cross contamination
BRAID EXTENSION
Perform one braid extension and removal of extension in quadrant of your choice.
ALL PROCEDURE CRITERIA MUST BE PERFORMED IN THE ORDER LISTED
Time Allowed: 17 minutes

Procedure Criteria (1 point each):
1) Sanitizes/cleans hands
2) Selects extension fibers
3) Braids extension fibers into braid
4) Removes braid with extension

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Ensures workstation/area remains sanitary
3) Ensures draping is maintained throughout service
4) Replaces contaminated items
5) Kit remains sanitary
6) Avoids cross contamination

SEW-IN EXTENSION
Perform one sew-in extension with hair weft in quadrant of your choice
ALL PROCEDURE CRITERIA MUST BE PERFORMED IN THE ORDER LISTED
Time Allowed: 22 minutes

Procedure Criteria (1 point each):
1) Sanitizes/cleans hands
2) Prepares quadrant of choice for sew in extension
3) Sews weft onto cornrow/track

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Ensures workstation/area remains sanitary
3) Ensures draping is maintained throughout service
4) Replaces contaminated items
5) Kit remains sanitary
6) Avoids cross contamination

BLOOD EXPOSURE SERVICE
ALL PROCEDURE CRITERIA MUST BE PERFORMED IN THE ORDER LISTED
Time Allowed: 22 minutes

Procedure Criteria (1 point each):
1) Wears gloves
2) Applies pressure to the cut to stop bleeding
3) Cleanses simulated cut
4) Bandages simulated cut
5) Properly disposes used materials
6) Properly disposes of used implements
7) Sanitizes/cleans hands

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Properly disposes of waste material
2) Ensures workstation/area remains sanitary
3) Ensures draping is maintained throughout service
4) Replaces contaminated items
5) Kit remains sanitary
6) Avoids cross contamination
END OF EXAM DISINFECTION
Time Allowed: 10 minutes

Safety Criteria (1 point each):
1) Disposes of used materials
2) Disinfects entire work area
3) Removes all supplies, materials and/or personal belongings

Time for complete practical: 2 hours

SCORING PROCEDURE**

The passing score for the entire practical portion is 70%.
- Based on the number of tasks for each practical component, the following are the weights:

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**Percentage may not total 100 percent due to rounding
CANDIDATE SUSTAINS EXPOSURE INCIDENT:

1. Candidate MUST immediately stop the service.
2. Stop the bleeding by applying pressure to the area with a clean absorbent material (Cotton ball or piece of gauze)
3. Bring your Exposure Incident (Blood Spill) Kit to the Exposure Incident (Blood Spill) procedure area/workstation.
4. When the bleeding has stopped, clean the injured area with an antiseptic wipe
5. Bandage the cut with an adhesive bandage to completely cover cut
6. Cover bandaged cut with finger cot / glove
7. Using disinfectant clean Exposure Incident (Blood Spill) procedure area/workstation
8. Double bag soiled materials such as wipes or cotton balls and any contaminated items in a bag labeled as BioHazard
9. Sanitize hands
10. Return to workstation
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   - Middle Name

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   - [ ] - [ ] - 
   (FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES ONLY)

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   - Apt/Ste
   - City
   - State
   - Zip Code

4. **Telephone:**

   - Home [ ] [ ] [ ] - [ ]
   - Office [ ] [ ] [ ] - [ ]

5. **Email:**

   - ______________________________________@______________________________________________

6. **School Code:**

   - [ ] [ ] [ ]

7. **Examination:**

   (Check one)

   - [ ] Natural Hair Theory Portion only ($70)
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   (Check one)

   - [ ] FIRST TIME
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