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MICHIGAN COSMETOLOGY TEST TAKER GUIDE

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<https://test-takers.psiexams.com/micos>

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PSI NATIONAL TESTING - GENERAL INFORMATION

This Test Taker Guide (TTG) provides test takers with information about the PSI National Tests and application process for taking a cosmetology test with the Michigan Board of Cosmetology.

The Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (referred to as the Department) has contracted with PSI Services LLC (PSI) to conduct the PSI National Barber/Cosmetology Testing Program. PSI works closely with the Department to make certain that these examinations meet the State's as well as nationally established technical and professional standards for test development and administration. PSI provides these tests through a network of computer and practical testing centers in Michigan.

TEST ELIGIBILITY

Before applying to PSI to take your licensing examination(s) you must first access the State of Michigan's MI Plus website located at www.michigan.gov/miplus, and apply for licensure. Only the State of Michigan may determine your eligibility for a license.

APPLICATION TO TEST

Effective 1/30/2026 Test takers will apply through the new online application located here <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/micos>. Please go to "View Available Tests", sign in and select an exam. There is an application tied to the exam that you will need to complete. PSI will no longer be processing applications via mail, fax or email.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view the step-by-step Online Application Tutorial.

NOTE - Please ensure the test taker applies with the State Of Michigan first, as outlined above under Test Eligibility. After applying with the state, the test taker will receive an email containing their MI COS ID number, and can then apply to PSI via the online application process.

*Foreign language tests: The PSI tests are available to apply and schedule in English, Chinese (simplified), Korean, Portuguese, Spanish and Vietnamese in the test selection section on the application and to schedule a test.

Please note: For test takers submitting their initial registration, test takers are required include all documents with the Test Registration Form. Allow up to 10 business days processing time for the initial application. Please understand any missing documents will cause delays in the approval process.

NAME CHANGE INSTRUCTIONS

If a test taker name differs on any paperwork, they will need to provide documentation of legal name changes. This may require marriage certificates, or other legal documents, additional documentation may be required if the name has changed multiple times.

TEST PAYMENT AND SCHEDULING

Upon eligibility approval by the Department, test takers may register with PSI, pay the testing fees, and schedule their test. Test takers must pay all testing fees at the time of scheduling. The testing fee will be forfeited if the test taker does not test within 1 year from the date the fee is received by PSI.

MICHIGAN TEST FEES

Cosmetology Theory and Practical Test	\$167
Cosmetology Theory Test ONLY	\$93
Cosmetology Practical Test ONLY	\$93

NOTE: TEST FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE.

SCHEDULING A TEST (TESTING SITE OR ONLINE PROCTOR)

Once a test taker has received an eligibility notice, the test taker is responsible for scheduling their own test. PSI will make every effort to schedule the testing site or online proctored test at time that is most convenient.

TEST REGISTRATION AND SCHEDULING (ONSITE OR ONLINE)

PSI online registration is fast, easy, and available 24 hours a day 7 days a week! This is the most preferred and convenient way to schedule and pay for a test. Test takers may use this service by going to the PSI web page <https://test-takers.psiexams.com/micos>
Select **“VIEW AVAILABLE TESTS”**

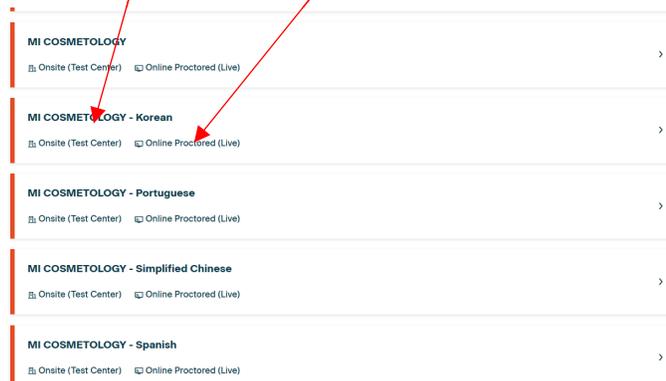


Barber & Cosmetology Exams Offered for Michigan Dept. of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs - Cosmetology/Barber

Below is your go-to resource for PSI Cosmetology & Barber National Exams — tutorials, videos, FAQs, and more!

PSI Cosmetology & Barber National Exams | PSI Exams - <https://www.psiexams.com/test-takers/psl-cosmetology-barber-national-exams/>

Test takers scroll to find their “test, language, and administration” (onsite OR online)



Once testing choices are made, test takers will need to create or sign into their PSI account, pay the test fees, and schedule their online test or test location, date, and time. The Candidate bulletin (CIB) or “Test Taker Guide (TTG)” is also found and downloaded from this page.

MI COSMETOLOGY

[Test Portions](#) [FAQs](#) [Test Instructions](#)

<p>MI Cosmetology Theory Type: Optional Duration: 150 Minutes</p>	<p>MI Cosmetology Practical Type: Optional Duration: 240 Minutes</p>
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Candidate Bulletin

Fee: \$167.00 USD
Re-take Fee: \$167.00 USD
[Fee Policy](#)

To continue the booking process and schedule your test, you must sign in or create an account.

[SIGN IN/REGISTER](#)

Follow the easy on-screen directions to pay and schedule for a test.

LOGON TO A CURRENT PSI ACCOUNT OR REGISTER FOR A NEW ACCOUNT

When a test taker selects their test and delivery method, they will be then asked to SIGNIN/REGISTER

MI COSMETOLOGY

[Test Portions](#) [FAQs](#) [Test Instructions](#)

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To continue the booking process and schedule your test, you must sign in or create an account.

[SIGN IN/REGISTER](#)

If the test taker has ever created an account with PSI they will need to continue with that same account. Please enter the username and password the account was created with.

Sign In

Sign in to retrieve your MICHIGAN DEPT. OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS - COSMETOLOGY/BARBER test taker account to schedule tests and access your test information.

Email *

Password *

[SIGN IN](#)

[Forgot Password?](#)

Don't have a MICHIGAN DEPT. OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS - COSMETOLOGY/BARBER test taker account?

[CREATE ACCOUNT](#)

If the password is lost, test takers may click on the “Forgot Password” to reset their account password. If test takers have difficulty entering their PSI account, please contact PSI Customer Service at (855) 579-4635 and request the assistance of a PSI testing professional. Test takers follow the easy instructions to pay and schedule their test.

IMPORTANT! DO NOT CREATE ANOTHER TEST TAKER ACCOUNT! SEE THE INFORMATION BELOW

RETURNING TO AN EXISTING ACCOUNT

When a test taker is in our system with an existing PSI account, and are having issues logging on, **please do not create new account** to attempt to bypass the old account. Creating a new account will only confuse the PSI system. The system does not know which file to choose and will not allow their information to become available. Test takers use the login information they currently have with PSI, if that does not work, please contact PSI Customer Service at (855) 579-4635.

DELETING A DUPLICATE ACCOUNT

If a test taker is certain another account exists, follow the instructions below to delete the duplicate account. Please go to <https://test-takers.psiexams.com>

1. Click on "FIND YOUR TEST"
2. Click on "Barber & Cosmetology"
3. Locate your State and Industry - use the dropdown menus
4. At the top right, click "Sign In / Create Account"
 - a. If there is an existing account at <https://test-takers.psiexams.com>, please use the existing username and password.
 - b. If #1 does not work, test takers will need to send an email to ODelete@psionline.com with their Name and email address and request that they delete the old online account.
 - c. After confirmation has been received, it is completed, test takers can create a new account.
5. After logging in, click on "MANAGE" at the top and continue.

Test takers who encounter questions or difficulty with registration, account location, paying, scheduling, or other issues, please do not call the Michigan Board Office as they do not have any information to aid test takers in their registration process. Please contact PSI customer services at (855) 579-4635.

REGISTRATION BY TELEPHONE

Test takers may also choose to schedule over the telephone.

- To register by phone requires a valid credit or debit card (VISA, MasterCard, American Express or Discover). Call (855) 579-4635, Monday through Friday, between 6:30 AM and 9:00 PM CST, and Saturday-Sunday between 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM CST, to speak to a live PSI Customer Service Representative.

CANCELING OR RE-SCHEDULING

Test takers may cancel and reschedule a test without forfeiting the fee if PSI receives a confirmed cancellation at **least 48 hours prior the scheduled test.**

- To cancel a test, use the PSI web page <http://test-takers.psiexams.com/micos> or call PSI at (855) 579-4635, 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.

Leaving a voice mail message will NOT cancel a test, test takers need to speak to a live Customer Service Representative.

LATE CANCELLATION OR MISSED TEST

Testing fees will be forfeited for the following reasons.

- The test taker *does not cancel the test* at least 48 hours prior the scheduled time.
- The test taker *leaves a voice mail message* to attempt to cancel the test.
- The test taker arrives at the location *after the test start time*.
- The test taker is a *no-show* for the scheduled test.
- The test taker does not present *proper identification* when arriving for the test

PSI TEST CENTER EXPERIENCE

Please visit the following link to watch a short video of the PSI Test Center Experience.

<https://psi.wistia.com/medias/3321yp1ic8>

TEST TAKER ACCOMMODATIONS

All PSI testing centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, and testing accommodations will be made in meeting a test taker's needs. Test takers with disabilities requesting test accommodations must fill out the test accommodation request form [CLICK HERE](#) . Fill in ALL the requested information and upload documentation at the end of the form.

Test takers who require test accommodations, must create an account in the PSI system prior to requesting an accommodation.

ACCOMMODATIONS TEST DELIVERY ARRANGEMENTS

The following options are available to test takers seeking accommodations taking the Cosmetology and related occupations theory tests (excluding Instructors) First time test takers may take the test without assistance; however, the following options are also available.

Foreign Language Testing - FOR THEORY AND/OR PRACTICAL TESTS

Foreign language theory tests:The PSI tests are available to apply and schedule in English, Chinese (simplified), Korean, Portuguese, Spanish and Vietnamese in the test selection section on the application and to schedule a test.

Foreign language practical tests: Practical testing is delivered in foreign language using the Redbooks. The test is delivered in the English language, and a script/redbook is provided to the test taker in their language of choice: English, Chinese (simplified), Korean, Portuguese, Spanish and Vietnamese. The test taker should follow the instructions in their chosen language.

Additional Time While Taking the Examination - FOR THEORY AND/OR PRACTICAL TESTS

Test takers may request to take the test with extra time. The test taker will be given time and one-half, there will be an additional fee of \$50 per test.

Word-to-Word Translation Dictionary - FOR THEORY TESTS

Test takers may request to use a Word-to-Word dictionary at no cost. PSI provides Arabic, Hebrew, and Russian, at the test sites. The dictionary cannot contain pictures or definitions. If approved, the State will forward the dictionary directly to the testing site. If time and one-half is requested for dictionary use, there will be an additional fee of \$50 per test.

Request for a Reader - FOR THEORY TESTS

Test takers may request to have the test read to them in English for an additional fee of \$50 per test. PSI will provide the reader.

Reader along with Additional Time - FOR THEORY TESTS

Test takers may request to have the test read to them in English with extra time and one-half for an additional fee of \$50 per test.

Test takers applying for an accommodation test delivery arrangement must complete and submit a Test Accommodations Request Form [CLICK HERE](#).

PSI MICHIGAN TESTING CENTER LOCATIONS

The PSI National Cosmetology Theory tests are administered at the following testing center locations:

Dearborn Examination Center
3200 Greenfield Road, Suite 253
Dearborn, MI 48120

Holt-Lansing Examination Center
4202 Charlar Drive, Suite 1
Holt, Michigan 48842

Southfield-Crossroads Examination Center
Crossroads Building
16250 Northland Drive, Suite 361
Southfield, MI 48075

Southfield-Lahser Road Examination Center
26400 Lahser Road, Suite 150
Southfield, Michigan 48033

Grand Rapids Examination Center
4595 Broadmoor Ave SE, Suite 145
Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Gaylord Examination Center
440 W. Main St., Suite D

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Marquette Examination Center
 RockCliff Professional Building
 710 Chippewa Square, Ste 110
 Marquette, MI 49855

Marquette Examination Center
 Mid Towne Office Complex
 1229 W. Washington
 Marquette, MI 49855

The PSI National Cosmetology Practical tests are administered at the following testing center locations:

Grand Rapids Examination Center
 4595 Broadmoor Ave SE, Suite 145
 Grand Rapids, MI 49512

Southfield-Crossroads Examination Center
 Crossroads Building
 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 361
 Southfield, MI 48075

Marquette Examination Center
 Mid Towne Office Complex
 1229 W. Washington
 Marquette, MI 49855

TEST SITE EMERGENCY CLOSURE

On occasion severe weather or an emergency may force the closure of a testing center. PSI will attempt to contact all test takers on that day to inform them of the situation. Every effort will be made to reschedule test takers for the next available date, time, and testing center possible. Test takers will not be penalized for emergency closures and will be rescheduled at no charge. Testing center status may also be confirmed by calling (855) 579-4635.

REPORTING TO A TESTING SITE

Test takers should arrive at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled testing start time. This allows time for test takers to sign-in and provide the testing staff with identification verification and to be seated. Test takers need to provide 2 forms of I.D. upon check in as outlined below.

Test takers who arrive after the start time, will not be admitted to the testing room, and will forfeit all their testing fee(s).

REQUIRED IDENTIFICATION FOR ENTRY TO THE TEST

Test takers are required to provide 2 forms of identification.

- One I.D. must be a VALID, government issued identification (driver's license, state ID, passport), which bears the test takers name exactly as it appears in the test registration, signature and photograph or a complete physical description.
- The second ID must have the test takers signature and preprinted legal name exactly as it appears on the test takers registration form.

Again, all identification must display the test takers name *exactly* as it appears in the exam registration form and as registered with the Michigan Board of Cosmetology.

Test takers who are not able to provide the required identification must call (855) 579-4635 at least 21 days prior to the scheduled test, to discuss possible solutions to this test requirement.

Test takers failing to provide all required identification at the time of the test is considered a missed test, and they will be dismissed.

***Military ID cannot be used for admission in an online test. If a test taker only has a military ID to utilize for admission, the test taker must test at an official PSI Testing Center location where the ID will be accepted.**

***Government issued temporary paper IDs are acceptable form of ID when presented with the expired ID.**

GENERAL SECURITY RULES AND PROCEDURES

The following security procedures will apply during the test:

- Test takers may take only approved items into the testing room.
- All personal belongings of test taker should be placed in the secure storage provided at each site prior to entering the testing room. Personal belongings include, but are not limited to, the following items:
 - **Electronic devices of any type, including but not limited to; cellular/mobile phones, recording devices, watches, cameras, pagers, laptop computers, tablet computers (e.g., iPads), music players or headphones (e.g., iPods), smart watches, radios, or electronic games.**
 - **Bulky or loose clothing or coats:** For security purposes outerwear such as, but not limited to open sweaters, cardigans, shawls, scarves, hoodies, vests, jackets, and coats are not permitted in the testing room. **In the event test takers are asked to remove the outerwear, appropriate attire such as a shirt should be worn underneath.**
 - **Hats or headgear not worn for religious reasons** or as religious apparel are prohibited including but not limited to hats, baseball caps, or visors.
 - **Other personal miscellaneous items**, including purses, notebooks, reference or reading material, briefcases, backpacks, wallets, pens, pencils, other writing devices, food, drinks, and good luck items, etc.
- Although secure storage for personal items is provided at the testing site for convenience, PSI is not responsible for any damage, loss, or theft of any personal belongings or prohibited items brought to, stored at, or left behind at the test site. PSI assumes no duty of care with respect to such items and makes no representation that the secure storage provided will be effective in protecting such items. If prohibited items are found during check-in, test takers will place them in the provided secure storage or leave these items outside the restricted area at their own risk. PSI is not responsible for the security of any personal belongings or prohibited items. Any test taker possessing prohibited items in the testing room shall immediately have their test results invalidated, and PSI shall notify the government officials in the state in detail of the occurrence.
- If a test taker leaves any items at the test site after testing and is not claimed within 30 days, items will be disposed of or donated, at PSI's sole discretion.
- Person(s) accompanying a test taker may not wait in the testing 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, vaping, eating, or drinking is allowed inside the testing center.
- During the check in process, all test takers will be asked if they possess any prohibited items. Test takers may also be asked to empty their pockets and turn them out for the proctor to ensure they are empty. Proctors will ask to inspect any such items in their pockets. Test takers may also be asked to lift the ends of their sleeves and the bottoms of their pant legs to ensure that restricted items do not enter testing areas.
- Proctors also carefully inspect eyeglass frames, tie tacks, or any other apparel that could be used to harbor a restricted device.
- Any test takers seen giving or receiving assistance on a test, found with unauthorized materials or devices, disrupts the administration of a test or who violates any security rule or procedure, will be asked to surrender all test materials and to leave the testing center. PSI will notify government officials in the state in detail of the occurrence.
- Copying or communicating test content is violation of the test takers contract with PSI, and federal and state law. Either may result in the disqualification of test results and may lead to legal action.
- Once the test begins, test takers may obtain permission from a proctor to leave the testing room if an emergency arises or to use the restroom. Test takers will not receive extra time to complete the test for leaving the testing room for any reason.

PSI THEORY TESTING EQUIPMENT

The PSI National theory tests will be administered using a computer, a mouse and computer keyboard.

TEST TAKER ONLINE TESTING EQUIPMENT

Test takers will be contacted to check the technical specifications of their personal device they will be using for an online test prior to the scheduled test date.

IDENTIFICATION SCREEN

Test takers will be accompanied to a testing station. Once test takers are seated at their testing station, they will be prompted to confirm their name, identification number, and the test for which they registered.

TUTORIAL

Before a test taker begins a test, an introductory tutorial is provided on the computer screen. The time used to watch the tutorial is not deducted from any test timing. The tutorial takes up to 15 minutes, sample questions are introduced during tutorial so a test taker may familiarize themselves on how questions are written and how to review the answers given.

TEST QUESTION SCREEN

The “function bar” at the top of the test question, provides mouse-click access to any features available while taking the test. During the test, one question will appear on the screen at a time. There is also a timer feature that at the top of the screen that displays the time a test taker has remaining to complete the test.

Note:

Even though a test taker has entered a response to a question, the system will allow the response to be changed anytime the test is active. One a test taker signs out of a test or timing expires; this feature will no longer be available.

The screenshot shows a test interface with a navigation bar at the top containing icons for Mark, Comments, Goto, Help, and End. Below the navigation bar, a status bar displays: Question: 3 of 40, Answered: 2, Unanswered: 1, Marked: 0, View: All, and Time Left(Min): 359. The main question area contains the text: "3. What do the stars on the United States of America's flag represent?". Below the question, it says "(Choose from the following options)" and lists four options: "1. Presidents", "2. Colonies", "3. States", and "4. Wars", each with an unchecked checkbox. At the bottom of the question area, there are two buttons: "<< Back" and "Next >>".

EXPERIMENTAL QUESTIONS

In addition to the number of test questions specified in the "Test Content Outline". There are a small number of "experimental questions" may be administered to test takers during the tests. There are typically at least five (5) experimental questions on a test. The results of these questions not included in the final test takers score. Administration of such unscored experimental questions is an essential step in developing future PSI tests.

COSMETOLOGY THEORY CONTENT OUTLINE

The following content outline lists the topics that are on the test and the number of questions for each topic. We recommend not scheduling a test until a test taker is familiar with all topics in the outline. The Cosmetology test consists of 100 scored questions and 10 non-scored experimental questions. Test takers will have 120 minutes (2.0 hours) to complete the test.

Topic Name	Weight
1. Safety and Infection Control	30%
A. Workplace Infection Control Procedures	
1. Infectious diseases, pathogens, and exposure prevention	
2. Methods and procedures for cleaning and disinfection	
a. Contaminated tools	
b. Machines and equipment	
c. Daily workstation	
3. Levels of decontamination (i.e., cleaning, disinfection, sterilization)	
4. Procedures for exposure incidents (e.g., Standard/Universal Precautions, OSHA, CDC)	
5. Products to be used for cleaning and disinfecting	
6. Labeling and storage of cleaned and disinfected tools and equipment	
7. Single- and multi-use items and materials	
B. Workplace Safety Precautions	
1. Procedures for maintaining safe working conditions	
2. Safe water temperature	
3. Safe use of equipment and maintenance procedures	
4. Labeling and storage of materials and chemicals	
5. Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and prohibited materials and substances	
6. Federal safety regulations (e.g., OSHA, EPA, FDA)	
7. Identifying adverse reactions to chemicals	
8. Protective chemical barriers and draping for clients	
9. Proper ventilation	
10. Electrical safety	

Topic Name	Weight
2. Client Consultation and Hair, Skin, and Nail Analysis	19%
A. Client Consultation	
1. Client intake and consent form procedures to determine possible contraindications	
2. Declining or altering service based on contraindications	
3. Recommendation client seek a medical opinion	
B. Hair, Skin, and Nail	
1. Hair, skin, and nail structure	
2. Hair, skin, and nail analysis	
3. Selection of appropriate services based on condition of hair, skin, and nails	
C. Adverse Reactions, Diseases, Contraindications	
1. Allergic reaction (patch) test procedures	
2. Hair and scalp diseases and disorders	
3. Skin diseases and disorders	
4. Nail diseases and disorders	
5. Signs of adverse reactions to products during and after service	
6. Contraindications to manicure and pedicure services	
7. Contraindications to nail enhancement services	
3. Hairstyling	2%
A. Hairstyling Procedures	
1. Procedures for textured hairstyling	
a. Hair extension application, maintenance, removal	
b. Locking	
c. Braiding	
2. Procedures for hair additions, replacements, and enhancements	
a. Hair piece application, maintenance, removal	
3. Blowdrying procedures	
4. Thermal curling procedures	

B. Hairstyling Tools	
Topic Name	Weight
1. Precautions for use of thermal styling tools (e.g., testing temperature, protecting scalp)	
4. Haircutting	3%
A. Haircutting Procedures	
1. Procedures for cutting different hair types (e.g., straight, curly, over-curly, and wavy)	
B. Tool and Implement Safety	
1. Safe use of haircutting tools and implements (e.g., shears, razors, clippers, and trimmers)	
5. Haircoloring	10%
A. Application	
1. Application of haircoloring chemicals for all hair types	
2. Purpose and procedure of strand testing	
3. Hair and scalp preparation	
4. Application of haircoloring chemicals to facial hair (e.g., eyebrows, eyelashes)	
B. Safe Use of Chemicals and Products	
1. Hair chemical mixing and safety	
2. Application procedures and safe use of color (e.g., overprocessed hair, metallic or compound dyes, minerals)	
3. Application procedures and safe use of lightening products	
4. Color theory, formulating, and products	
6. Chemical Texture Services	12%
A. Virgin Hair	
1. Safe application and removal for virgin hair (e.g., chemical relaxer, chemical texturing products, permanent waving products)	
B. Chemically Treated Hair	
1. Safe application and removal for chemically treated hair (e.g., chemical relaxer, chemical texturing products, permanent waving products)	
C. Chemical Safety, Products, and Results	

1. Assessing chemical process results	
2. Safe use of chemical texturing products	
Topic Name	Weight
3. Precautions for chemical hair texturing	
7. Skin Care	4%
A. Massage	
1. Safe facial massage movements	
2. Safe manicure and pedicure massage movements	
B. Preparation, Products, and Services	
1. Preparing client for skin care services	
2. Use of different skin care products	
3. Scalp care treatments	
C. Skin Care Safety	
1. Safe procedures for performing facial services	
2. Safe procedures for chemical and mechanical exfoliation	
3. Safe use of skin care tools, machines, and devices	
4. Safe application and removal of hot towels	
5. Safe product use and application for all skin conditions	
6. Safe removal of calluses	
8. Eyelash and Eyebrow	4%
A. Eyelash and Eyebrow Safety	
1. Safe application and removal of eyelash enhancements	
2. Safe application procedures for chemical eyelash services	
B. Products and Procedures	
1. Safe use of eyebrow and eyelash tinting products	
2. Safety procedures for artificial eyelash adhesive and remover products	
9. Hair Removal	8%
A. Hair Removal Safety	

1. Safe hair removal using depilatories, waxing, and sugaring	
2. Safe hair removal using tweezing and threading	
3. Tools, supplies, and products for hair removal	
Topic Name	Weight
B. Infection Control (e.g., cross-contamination, wearing gloves)	
C. Contraindications to Hair Removal Services	
10. Nail Care	8%
A. Nail Safety	
1. Safe use of nail products, tools, and equipment	
2. Safe filing and buffing of nails	
3. Safe cuticle removal	
4. Safe manicure and pedicure procedures	
B. Nail Workstation and Environment	
1. Nail station ventilation (e.g., particulate matter control)	
2. Nail infection control procedures (e.g., closing multi-use containers while clipping and filing, clean files and buffers)	
C. Nail Enhancements	
1. Natural nail products, procedures, and repair	
2. Artificial nail enhancement products, application, maintenance, and repair	
3. Artificial nail removal	

COSMETOLOGY TEST REFERENCE MATERIALS

This test is CLOSED BOOK.

The reference materials listed below were used to develop the questions for this test.

Pivot Point Fundamentals: Cosmetology, (101C-113C); ©2023 Pivot Point International, Inc.
 2nd Edition, 1st Printing, December 2023
 ISBN 978-1-957642-57-4 (Coursebook set)
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 847-866-0500

Milady's Standard Cosmetology. 14th Edition, 2023. ISBN: 978-0-357378-90-8
 Milady www.miladypro.com Customer Service: info@milady.com 800.998.7498 ext. 2700

PSI SCORE REPORTING INFORMATION

Test takers must score a minimum of 70 points out of 100 total points possible, to pass the PSI National Cosmetology *Theory* test.

- Test Scores will be emailed to the test taker upon completion of their test.
- Test scores results are confidential and will be given only to the test taker and the Board office.
- Numeric test results are not available. Test takers who are successful, will receive a “PASS” report.
- Test takers who score below the required passing score will receive an overall score, and an individual score for each of the test topic areas. Test takers use this information to assist them in studying for a re-examination.

To better prepare for the PSI National Cosmetology Theory test, test takers can now review by taking an online practice test. Practice tests are intended to aid test takers with example test questions. The purpose is to familiarize a test taker with the general types of questions that will appear on a Cosmetology test. Though questions are based on cosmetology, these questions are NOT a substitute for education and study. Scoring well on the practice test also will not guarantee a positive outcome on the actual licensing test. This is the ONLY official PSI practice test; PSI does not recognize nor endorse any other study guides that may be offering information on the PSI National Cosmetology Program. The PSI practice tests are offered to review an unlimited number of times; however, a fee is assessed for *each time the test is utilized for review*.

Go to <https://www.psionlinestore.com> for more information and to register!

EXAMINATION REVIEW

PSI, in cooperation with the Department and Michigan Board of Cosmetology, will be continually evaluating the tests being administered to ensure that the tests accurately measure competency in the required knowledge areas. Comments may be entered during the test by clicking the Comments link on the function bar of the test question screen. Test taker comments regarding the questions and the tests are welcomed. Comments will be analyzed by PSI test 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 Department may re-evaluate test taker’ result and adjust them accordingly. This is the only review of the Theory test available to test takers. There is NO review process for the Practical portion of the test.

OBTAINING A DUPLICATE SCORE REPORT

To request a duplicate score report, test takers may call Customer Service at (855) 579-4635.

PSI NATIONAL PRACTICAL TEST- IMPORTANT GUIDELINES

For practical test questions or concerns, we recommend test takers and instructors to contact PSI Customer Service at (855) 579-4635.

Test takers should familiarize themselves with the following instructions to be properly prepared for the test, prior to registration.

- During the practical test, test takers must follow all appropriate rules for client protection that will ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
- A proctor will be monitoring time during the test. Personal timers are not allowed in the testing room. Test takers will not receive a score for any activities not completed within the allotted topic area time limits. When the proctor gives an instruction to “Please stop working”, test takers are to immediately stop what they are doing, stand quietly, and wait for the next instruction to be given.
- Test takers are required to prepare and bring a closable container (“supply kit”), with all products, supplies, and equipment necessary to perform the topic areas included in this test. The suggested container dimensions should not exceed 24” wide, 24” long and 24” high. This will allow the test taker to place the supply kit under the table when not in use. There are no supply lists or suggested supplies for the PSI National Tests. PSI recommends the test taker bring the equipment and supplies needed to perform a Topic Area as they would in their own professional environment.
- No mechanical or trainer hands with removable parts or digits are allowed. Nail tips are glued or formed on each finger to represent the natural nail.
- Test takers are required to bring to the test, two containers to dispose of used items. One marked “Single-use” and one marked “multi-use”. All items used in the test are categorically disposed of in one of these containers.
- Individual bags may be packed and labeled for each topic area. Bags are to be emptied and placed in the “single use” bag after setting up the workstation.

- Products that are **not** grouped as “dangerous chemicals” by OSHA and are **not** required to be listed on an actual business SDS sheet, may be fictitious with actual label OR self-created label attached to the container. Some other substance may be used inside the container to simulate the product.
- Chemical products that are grouped as “dangerous chemicals” by OSHA and are required be listed on SDS sheets in an actual business, are **required** to be used from the original container with an original manufacturers label attached or in a container with the manufacturers label attached.
- Labeling on products must be in large print, legible and clearly visible for the evaluator to observe.
- Absolutely NO aerosols are allowed into the testing area.
- Test takers may not observe other test takers during the test. PSI views and responds to this behavior as form of cheating. The test taker will be warned up to and including dismissal from the test. Please focus on individual tasks and do not depend on viewing the performance of other test takers to be successful.
- Test takers’ name and/or school names are to be covered on their person and supplies while in the test.
- Disinfectant containers must have the **manufacturers label attached** and legible. Disinfectants used must have **virucidal, bactericidal and fungicidal** properties listed on the manufacturers label.
- If monomer is required, it must be factory sealed and manufacture labeled as a “low odor or odorless” product. Product not meeting the test requirement will not be allowed into the testing room.
- The number one safety rule in our industry is: “Following Instructions”. There is no necessary or required style or technique a school needs to teach, or a test taker needs to perform. All topic areas are observed in the manner a Cosmetologist would normally complete a task. Tasks should be taken seriously and performed as instructed in the test and to the highest skill level they are capable. Scores are based on the test taker displaying a solid knowledge of workplace Infection Control and Safety Precautions.

WORKPLACE INFECTION CONTROL PRECAUTIONS

Test takers need to be familiar and follow all workplace infection control precautions. Here are some examples of the expectations of the test as well as an everyday business to familiarize a test taker with some of the industries infection control standards.

- Cleaning hands before starting a service. Knowing when hands become contaminated and keeping them clean as to not infect a client.
- Keeping the supply kit from becoming contaminated, such as: returning items to the kit, leaving a kit open or otherwise contaminating a kit. The supply kit represents a clean and disinfected storage in a cosmetologist’s workstation and should be treated as such.
- Knowledge of single-use and multi-use items and how to dispose of them properly.
- Disinfecting workstation surfaces and keeping them from becoming contaminated. If a worksurface becomes unhealthy a test taker has the knowledge to know when they would require the station to be cleaned and disinfected.
- Knowing how to use and dispense products without contamination. For example, double dipping, or any other cross contamination with the skin or worksurfaces.
- Keeping clients from becoming contaminated by the cosmetologist.
- Keeping containers being used from contamination.
- Making sure our tools are clean and disinfected.
- If body fluid become present during a service (i.e., blood, vomit, feces, etc.), how we deal with a situation without contaminating ourselves and others.

WORKPLACE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

Test takers also need to be familiar and follow all workplace safety precautions. Here are some examples of the expectations of the test as well as an everyday business to familiarize a test taker with some of the industry safety standards.

- Cosmetologists must know and have a working understanding of workplace safety regulations issued by federal and state regulatory entities.
- Cross-contamination of chemicals and products on the workstation.
- Chemical mixing procedures, storage of chemicals and SDS sheets.
- Keeping the workstation safe from injury, cleaning up spills and picking up dropped items. Reducing a slip and fall or tripping incidents.
- Making certain tools and equipment are in safe working order, no frayed or exposed wires, rusty metals, etc.
- Tools and equipment are used in a safe manner.

PSI NATIONAL COSMETOLOGY PRACTICAL TEST TOPIC ORDER

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PSI NATIONAL COSMETOLOGY PRACTICAL TEST RATING CRITERIA

Test takers must score a minimum of 95 points out of 127 total points possible, to pass the PSI National Cosmetology Practical test.

- The practical test is approximately 235 minutes in length.

The following information will be used by evaluators to grade test taker performance during the practical test. Please read and follow the instructions as listed.

PSI NATIONAL COSMETOLOGY PRACTICAL TEST

INSTRUCTIONS:

We would like to welcome you to the PSI National Practical Test. Electronics of any kind are strictly prohibited in the testing facility. Please raise your hand if you have any of these restricted devices in your possession so we may address your situation. If any test taker is found possessing any prohibited items in the testing facility, PSI will stop your test, and you will be required to leave the testing facility immediately and a report on your actions will be submitted to your governing authorities.

Test takers are responsible for providing all necessary equipment and supplies needed for the performance of their practical test. Test takers are not permitted to assist other test takers in any way. Test takers are evaluated at all times throughout the test for public health and safety.

If you have an emergency or need to use the restroom during the test, please raise your hand for assistance in leaving the testing area. You will be required to sign out and sign back in when returning. Keep in mind the time will continue to elapse and any instructions you miss will not be repeated. Only one test taker may leave the area at a time, please return as quickly as possible.

The prompter will read instructions for each topic area, and the evaluator will facilitate the timing for each topic area and supervise the test. You are not allowed to speak or ask questions pertaining to the test content. A Certified Practical Evaluator is responsible for observing and scoring test takers' performance and is not allowed to converse with test takers except to provide instruction when required in specific demonstrations within the topic areas. You are each provided with a Red Book to read along with the instructions in your language. Please do not touch or turn the pages in the Red Book, however, feel free to re-read the instructions for the topic as needed to understand the tasks. Evaluators are only permitted to answer general questions that are not directed to the test content.

Are there any questions about the instruction you have been given?

TOPIC AREA: 1 WORKSTATION PREPARATION ♦ 10 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will begin with the evaluation of a Daily Workstation Preparation. 10 minutes will be provided to prepare your daily workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 1.1 Prepares daily workstation
- 1.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 1.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- There are 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 2 BASIC MANICURE ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is **Basic Manicure**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation and prepare your client for a basic manicure. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your preparation, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 2.1 Prepares workstation for a basic manicure
- 2.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 2.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 2.4 Prepares client for a basic manicure
- 2.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 2.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- There are 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

10 minutes will be provided to complete a basic manicure. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your Basic Manicure, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 2.7 Performs a basic manicure
- 2.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 2.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now complete the basic manicure topic area. 5 minutes will be provided to clean-off your basic manicure workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 2.10 Cleans up basic manicure workstation
- 2.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 2.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 3 NAIL ENHANCEMENT USING A FORM ♦ 30 MINUTES**INSTRUCTIONS:**

This evaluation is **Nail Enhancement Using a Form**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation and prepare your client for a nail enhancement using a form. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. **You may start; timing begins now.**

EVALUATION:

- 3.1 Prepares workstation for nail enhancement using a form
- 3.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 3.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 3.4 Prepares client for nail enhancement using a form
- 3.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 3.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTION:

20 minutes will be provided to complete a nail enhancement using a form. The proctor will announce when there are 10 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your Nail Enhancement using a form, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 3.7 Applies a nail enhancement using a form
- 3.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 3.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 10 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now continue the nail enhancement using a form. 5 minutes will be provided to clean up your nail enhancement using a form workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your clean up, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 3.10 Cleans up nail enhancement using a form workstation
- 3.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 3.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTIONS:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.

- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 4 BASIC FACIAL ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is **Basic Facial**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation and prepare your client for a basic facial. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your preparation, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 4.1 Prepares basic facial workstation
- 4.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 4.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 4.4 Prepares client for a basic facial
- 4.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 4.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

10 minutes will be provided to complete a basic facial. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your basic facial, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 4.7 Demonstrates a basic facial using a towel steam process
- 4.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 4.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now continue the basic facial. 5 minutes will be provided to clean-up your basic facial workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your clean-up, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 4.10 Cleans up basic facial workstation
- 4.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 4.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 5 EYEBROW WAXING AND TWEEZING ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is **Eyebrow Waxing and Tweezing**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation and prepare your client for an eyebrow wax and tweezing. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your preparation, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 5.1 Prepares workstation for eyebrow wax and tweezing
- 5.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 5.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 5.4 Prepares client for eyebrow wax and tweeze
- 5.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 5.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- Stand quietly and wait for the Evaluator.

Please stand quietly and wait for the evaluator. **Note:** Evaluator will observe and score each test taker one-on-one.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please complete a waxing procedure on one eyebrow, begin now.

EVALUATION:

- 5.7 Demonstrates an eyebrow wax procedure using simulated soft wax
- 5.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 5.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Complete a tweezing procedure on three (3) hairs.

EVALUATION:

- 5.10 Demonstrates a tweezing procedure on three (3) hairs
- 5.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 5.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please stop and stand back quietly.
You have completed your demonstration. Please stand quietly.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now continue the eyebrow waxing and tweezing. 5 minutes will be provided to clean off your eyebrow waxing and tweezing workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your clean-up, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 5.13 Cleans up eyebrow waxing and tweezing workstation
- 5.14 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 5.15 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 6 HAIRCUTTING ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is **Haircutting**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your haircutting station and prepare your client for a haircut. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. Start your preparation, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 6.1 Prepares workstation for haircutting
- 6.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 6.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 6.4 Prepares client for haircutting
- 6.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 6.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- There are 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

This haircutting evaluation requires the use of haircutting shears and a razor. Cut at least one-inch of hair from the head. 5 minutes will be provided to cut hair with haircutting shears. You must cut hair with shears for the full 5 minutes. The proctor will direct you when to stop. Start haircutting with shears, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 6.7 Uses haircutting shears to cut hair
- 6.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 6.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTION:

This haircutting evaluation requires the use of a haircutting razor. Cut at least one-inch of hair from the head. 5 minutes will be provided to cut hair with a razor. You must cut hair with a razor for the full 5 minutes. The proctor will direct you when to stop. Start haircutting with a razor, timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 6.10 Uses a razor to cut hair
- 6.11 Cuts minimum of 1 inch hair throughout haircut
- 6.12 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 6.13 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- Please stop working, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now complete the haircutting topic area. 5 minutes will be provided to clean off your haircutting workstation and sweep the floor. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 6.14 Cleans up haircutting workstation
- 6.15 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 6.16 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 7 CHEMICAL WAVE ♦ 45 MINUTES**INSTRUCTIONS:**

This evaluation is **Chemical Wave**. 10 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation for a chemical wave and prepare your client for a chemical service. Divide the head into four quadrants or sections. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 7.1 Prepares chemical wave workstation
- 7.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 7.4 Prepares client for chemical wave
- 7.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

10 minutes will be provided to wrap 3 permanent wave rods in one of the quadrants or sections you created on the head. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you completed wrapping your rods, please stand quietly. The evaluator will direct you individually, to demonstrate saturation and a test curl. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 7.7 Wraps three permanent wave rods
- 7.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.
- Stand quietly and wait for the evaluator.

Please stand quietly and wait for the evaluator. **Note:** Evaluator will observe and score each test taker one-on-one.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please saturate, begin now.

EVALUATION:

- 7.10 Demonstrates saturation on all wrapped rods
- 7.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please stop and stand back quietly.

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please perform a test curl, begin now.

EVALUATION:

- 7.13 Demonstrates a test curl
- 7.14 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.15 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

EVALUATOR INSTRUCTION:

Please stop and stand back quietly.

You have completed your demonstration. Please stand quietly.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now complete the chemical wave topic area. 5 minutes will be provided to remove and dispose of the rods and clean-off your chemical wave workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 7.16 Cleans up chemical wave workstation
- 7.17 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 7.18 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTIONS:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 8 SODIUM HYDROXIDE RELAXER (STRAIGHTENER) APPLICATION (NO BASE) ♦ 20 MINUTES**INSTRUCTIONS:**

This evaluation is **Sodium Hydroxide Relaxer (Straightener) Application**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation and prepare your client for a chemical service. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 8.1 Prepares sodium hydroxide relaxer workstation
- 8.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 8.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 8.4 Prepares client for a sodium hydroxide relaxer application
- 8.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 8.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTION:

10 minutes will be provided to apply a sodium hydroxide relaxer application to three subsections in one of the quadrants or sections you created on the head. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please step back and stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 8.7 Applies sodium hydroxide relaxer to three individual subsections
 8.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
 8.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTION:

We will now complete the **Sodium Hydroxide Relaxer (Straightener) Application**. 5 minutes will be provided to clean off your sodium hydroxide relaxer application workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 8.10 Cleans up sodium hydroxide relaxer workstation
 8.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
 8.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTIONS:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 9 COLOR LIFT ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is **Color Lifting**. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation for a color lift and prepare your client for a chemical service. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 9.1 Prepares color lift workstation
 9.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
 9.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
 9.4 Prepares client for a color lift
 9.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
 9.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

10 minutes will be provided to lift color from three subsections in one of the quadrants or sections you created on the head. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please step back and stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 9.7 Applies lightener to three individual subsections of virgin hair
 9.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
 9.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

We will now complete the Color Lift topic area. 5 minutes will be provided to clean off your color lift workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 9.10 Cleans up color lift workstation
- 9.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 9.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 10 PERMANENT HAIR COLOR DEPOSIT ♦ 20 MINUTES

INSTRUCTION:

This evaluation is Permanent Haircolor Depositing. 5 minutes will be provided to set up your workstation for a permanent haircolor deposit and prepare your client for a chemical service. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 10.1 Prepares color workstation
- 10.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 10.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions
- 10.4 Prepares client for a haircolor deposit
- 10.5 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 10.6 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop, the timing has ended.

INSTRUCTIONS:

10 minutes will be provided to deposit haircolor from three subsections in one of the quadrants or sections you created on the head. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please step back and stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 10.7 Deposits permanent color to three individual subsections of hair
- 10.8 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 10.9 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop, timing has ended.

INSTRUCTION:

We will now complete the permanent haircolor depositing topic area. 5 minutes will be provided to clean off your permanent haircolor depositing workstation. The proctor will announce when there are 2 minutes left to finish. When you complete your task, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 10.10 Cleans up color workstation
- 10.11 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions

10.12 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 2 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. We will now continue to the next Topic Area.

TOPIC AREA: 11 WORKSTATION PREPARATION FOR NEXT CLIENT ♦ 10 MINUTES

INSTRUCTIONS:

This evaluation is a daily workstation preparation for the next client. 10 minutes will be provided to prepare your daily workstation for the next client. The proctor will announce when there are 5 minutes left to finish. When you complete your tasks, please stand quietly. You may start; timing begins now.

EVALUATION:

- 11.1 Completes clean-up of workstation for next client
- 11.2 Adheres to workplace infection control precautions
- 11.3 Adheres to workplace safety precautions

INSTRUCTION:

- You have 5 minutes left to finish.
- Please stop and stand quietly.
- Please stop working, the timing has ended.
- All scoring has been completed. The test timing is complete.

FINAL INSTRUCTIONS:

This concludes your PSI National Practical Test. Please make certain your floor is clear of debris, and your workstation has been cleaned with disinfectant. Clear your work area of all the items you have brought into the room. Return all trash and supplies to your kit to carry out with you, when you are finished, raise your hand, and wait for the proctor to sign off your work area. Test takers begin your test clean-up.

EXITING INSTRUCTIONS:

PSI would like to thank you for coming today. You will receive your score report via email within 48 hours. Please direct any questions about your results to the email address or phone number listed on your score report. We cannot answer any questions about the test or your test results. Have a great day, you are excused.

COSMETOLOGY PRACTICAL SCORE REPORTING

A result report will be mailed to you by PSI within 7 business days following the test. In addition, test results are available to test takers on-line one (1) business day after the test date.

Go to <https://test-takers.psiexams.com> and log into the test takers account.

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- Test Scores will be emailed to the test taker upon completion of their test.
- Test scores results are confidential and will be given only to the test taker and the Department.
- Numeric test results are not available. Test takers who are successful, will receive a “PASS” report.
- Test takers who score below the required passing score will receive an overall score, and an individual score for each of the test topic areas. Test takers use this information to assist them in studying for a re-examination.
- Test takers perform the tasks as they would in an actual work environment
- Tools and supplies used in the test are as a professional licensee would use in their daily working environment
- Candidates MUST raise their hand at the end of each section indicating completion.

LICENSURE ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for licensure, you must complete the license application at the MI Plus website www.michigan.gov/miplus, submit the required fee to the State of Michigan, pass the required examination(s), and meet the following requirements:

- be at least 17 years of age;
- be of good moral character;
- have an education equivalent to the completion of the ninth grade; and
- have successfully completed a course of study of at least 1,500 hours; OR
- have served at least two years as an apprentice in a licensed establishment under an approved apprenticeship program in

A false statement or dishonest answer on the license application may be

- 1) grounds for denial of licensure;
- 2) grounds for disciplinary action against any future license; or
- 3) punishable by law. Furthermore, any conviction(s) for which you did or could have gone to jail may delay your application for a license.

If licensure is denied, this action may be appealed to the Board of Cosmetology. After the State of Michigan determines your eligibility to test and receive a license, an electronic file will be submitted to PSI. It is at this time that you may submit your online application.

MICHIGAN COSMETOLOGY TEST ACCOMMODATION REQUEST FORM

All testing centers are equipped to provide access in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

Applicants with disabilities or those who would otherwise have difficulty taking the test request for alternative arrangements by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Requirements for testing accommodation requests: You are required to submit documentation from the medical authority or learning institution that rendered a diagnosis. Verification must be uploaded to PSI on the letterhead stationery of the authority or specialist and include the following:

- ✓ Description of the disability and limitations related to testing
- ✓ Recommended accommodation/modification
- ✓ Name, title and telephone number of the medical authority or specialist
- ✓ Original signature of the medical authority or specialist

MAKE SURE YOU ARE REGISTERED FOR THE TEST BEFORE REQUESTING TEST ACCOMMODATIONS

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