LOUISIANA STATE BOARD OF COSMETOLOGY COSMETOLOGY PRACTICAL EXAM

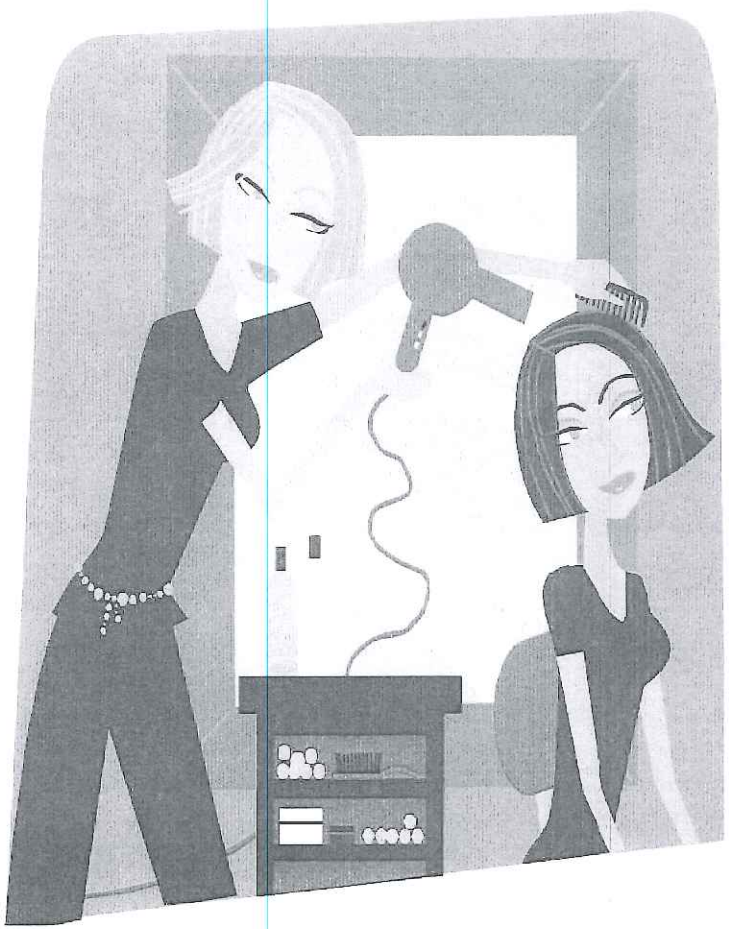
2011 Updates

Effective April 1, 2011

Cosmetology Practical Examination

The information packet has been revised and contains the following:

- Basic Instructions
- Exam Dress Code
- Exam Supply List
- The Phases of the Exam



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Dress Code

The proper attire is as follows:

Clean, washable uniforms, either all black, all white, or white top and black bottoms maintaining a professional image.

Uniform has to be solid—no design or print

Female students are allowed to wear either pants or skirts. Skirt hemline must be no shorter than just above the knee.

Male students may wear a white lab coat with their white shirt and black trousers.

Enclosed shoes are required, either black or white with socks and/or hose. Tennis shoes in solis white of black will be acceptable; however they must be clean.

Listed below are clothing **NOT** approved by this agency as acceptable uniform for testing.

- Leggings
- Capri pants
- Tee shirts
- Tube tops
- Jeans
- Sleeveless shirts/blouses
- Shirts that show the bare midriff
- Spaghetti strap tops
- See through blouses or tops
- Flip Flops
- Low waist pants
- Tank tops
- Shorts
- Undershirts

Students found in violation of the dress code will be refused to test and will be considered a **"NO-SHOW"**. A "NO-SHOW" is required to pay a $25.00 fee prior to being cleared for another exam date.

Cosmetology Practical Exam Supply List

MANNEQUINS

You may bring at minimum of 4 mannequin heads.

Live models are not permitted.

It is the student's responsibility to appear at the practical examination with mannequin heads.

PHASE 1 – SET AND COMB OUT

Mannequin – set and dried

Comb out brush

Comb (bring extras)

Lift

PHASE 2- WET WORK

Mannequin – wet, jelled and in plastic bag

Wave comb (bring extras)

Dry fast- setting gel

Rollers (4)

Clips for pin curls

Roller clips

PHASE 3-CHEMICAL EXAMINATION

Mannequin

White or gray rods only

End papers

Comb (bring extras)

Cholesterol

Foil

Water spray bottle

Bleach application brush and bowl

PHASE 4 – HAIRCUT

Mannequin – medium to short hair

2 towels

1 trash bag

Dust pan and broom

Hair cutting cape

Shears

Comb (bring extras)

Duckbill clips or large clips

Water bottle

Newspaper for sanitation

Phases of the Examination

The scope of the Louisiana State Board of Cosmetology Practical Examination includes the following phases or sections:

1. Set and Combout
2. Wet Work
3. Chemical
4. Haircut

A minimum score of 70% is required to pass the examination.

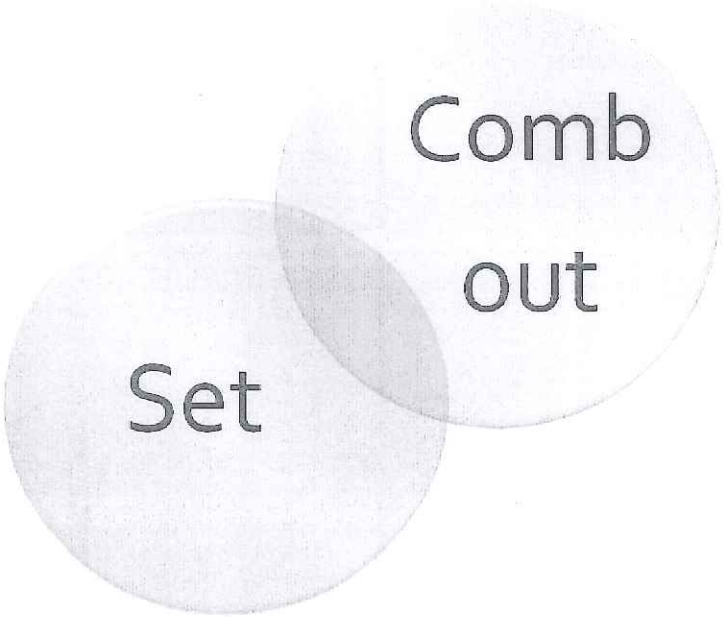
Set and Comb out
- Set
- Combout

Wet Work
- Fingerwave
- Pincurl
- Skip Wave
- Brush Wave
- Roller Placement

Chemical
- Permanent Wave
- Foil High Lite
- Virgin Bleach
- Hair Color Retouch
- Relaxer Retouch

Haircut
- Haircut

Set and Comb out



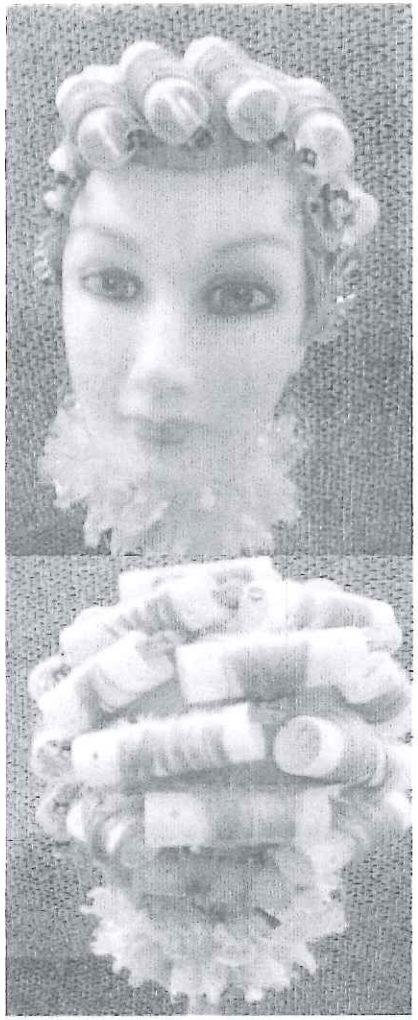
<u>The Set section</u> is an un-timed phase since it has been prepared in advance of student exam date.

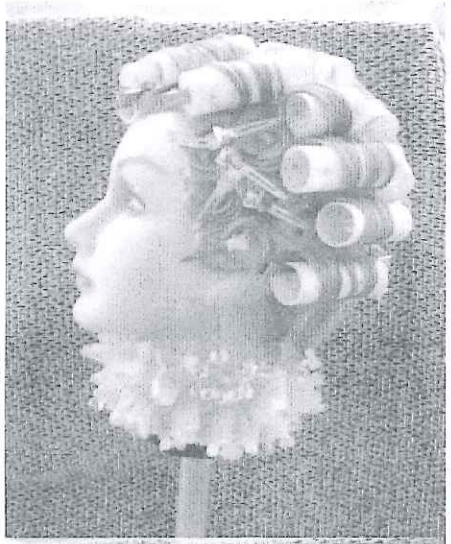
- Examiners will grade the students on appearance.
- Examiners will grade the students on their set. The set must include rollers and pin curls.

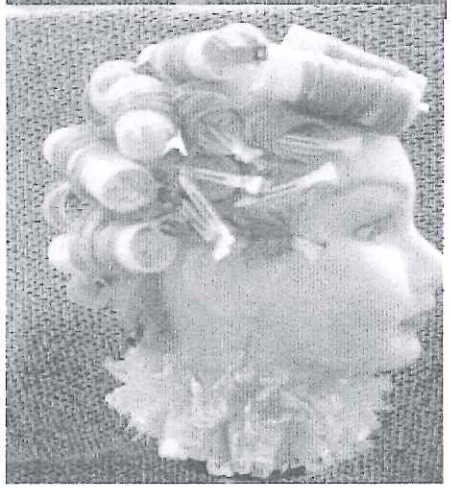
<u>The Comb-Out section</u> has a 20-minute time limit.

- The Comb-Out must be backcombed.
- Rollers marks are not to be visible in the Comb-Out.
- Students will fail if the rollers and pin curls are removed prior to being graded.

Set







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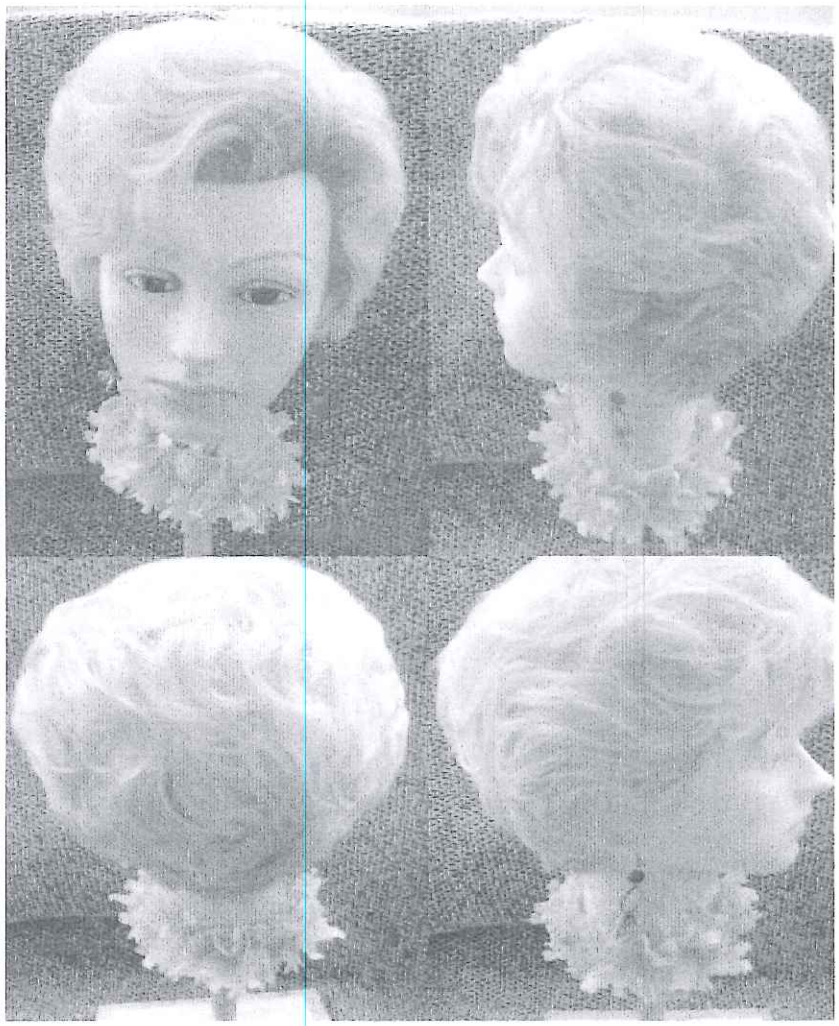
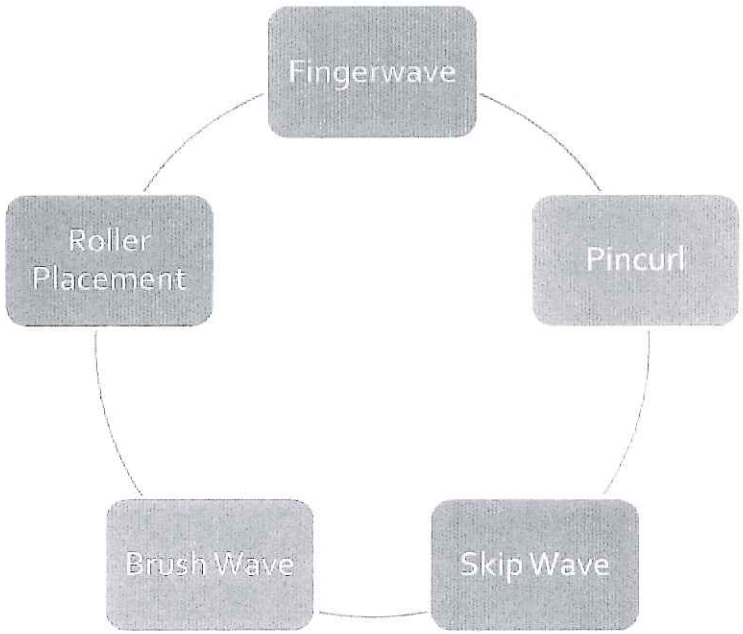


Wet Work



<u>This phase consists of 5 sections</u> –

<u>The Finger wave section</u> has a 10-minute time limit.

- Finger waves are to be applied to the entire head.
- Horizontal finger waves only.

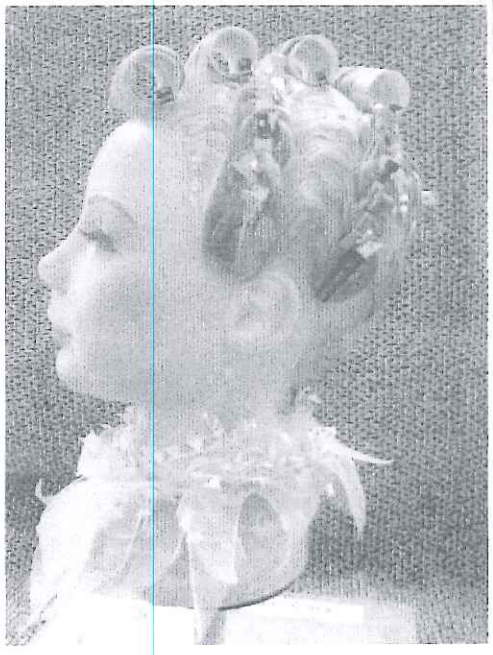
There is a 30-minute time limit for the remaining sections of the Wet Work phase.

The Pincurl section consists of

- 1 on-base pincurl
- 1 half -stem pincurl
- 1 long stem pincurl
- 1 pincurl in a shaping
- All pincurls must be clipped

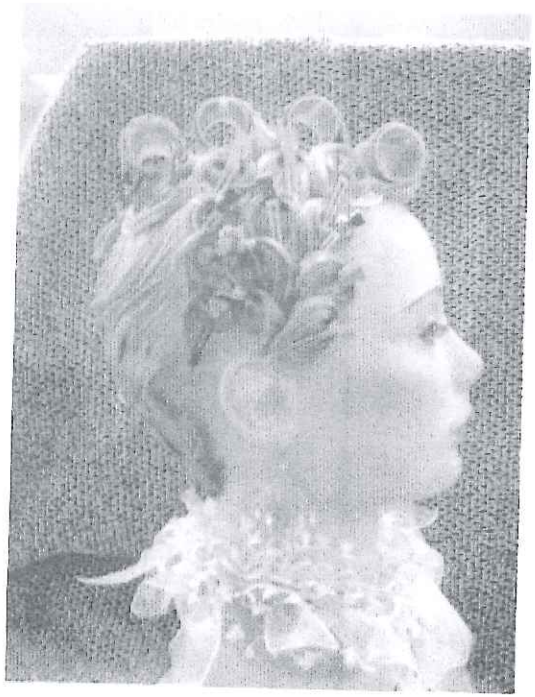
The Skip Wave section consists of

- a row of fingerwaves
- a row of pincurls (must be clipped)
- a row of fingerwaves
- a row of pincurls (must be clipped)
- must be diagonal



The Brush Wave section consists of

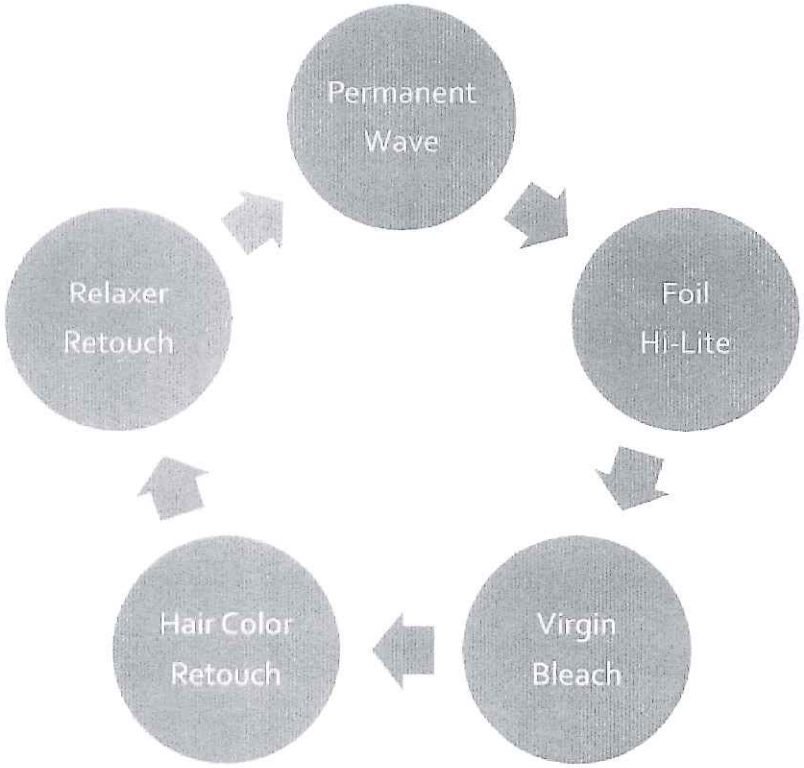
- Must consist of 3 rows of pincurls
- Pincurls must be clipped and vertical



The Roller Placement section consists

- Roller #1 - on-base roller
- Roller #2 - half stem roller
- Roller #3 - long stem roller
- Roller #4 - roller in directional shaping
- Subsections are straight and even
- Rollers must be 1 inch in diameter and no longer than 2 ½ inch in length

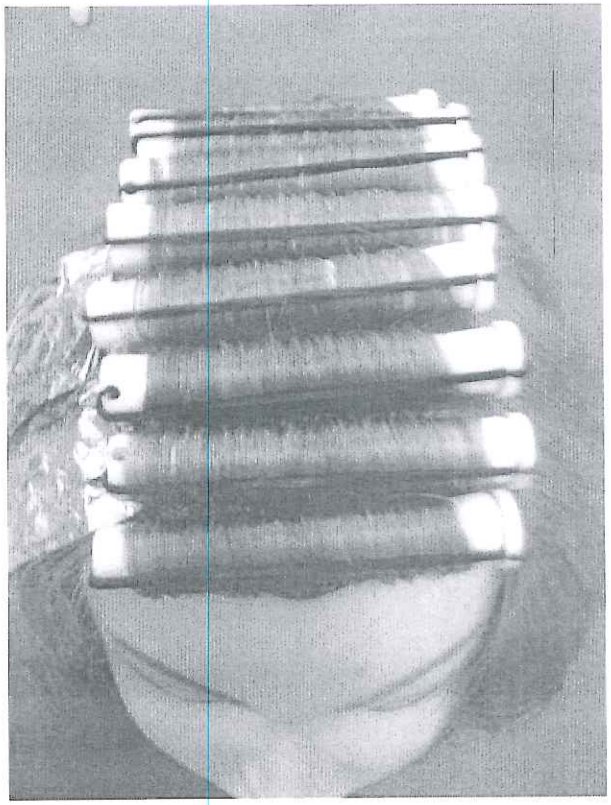
Chemical



<u>This phase consists of 5 sections</u> – Students will be allowed 50 minutes to complete the entire phase.

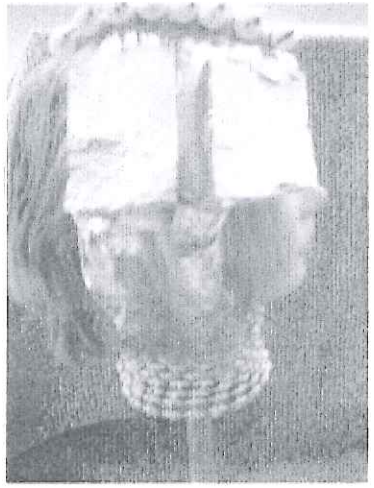
The Permanent Wave section consists of

- Proper sectioning and size according to rod used.
- First 3 rods MAY be rolled forward or back
- Distributes hair evenly across end paper
- Proper wrapping procedure/rubber bands. NO PICKS, ETC.
- Subsections hair straight and evenly
- The entire perm wrap must be completed with white rods only.
- Sections must be completed in order to pass this section.
- All rods must be half off base/white rods only



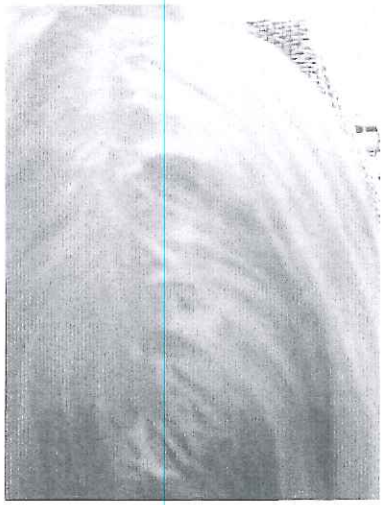
The Foil Hi-Lite section consists of

- Placement of the foil must be close to the scalp
- Each section must be weaved
- Product must be applied to the entire strand within the foil pack
- Section must be complete in order to receive passing grade



The Virgin Bleach section consists of

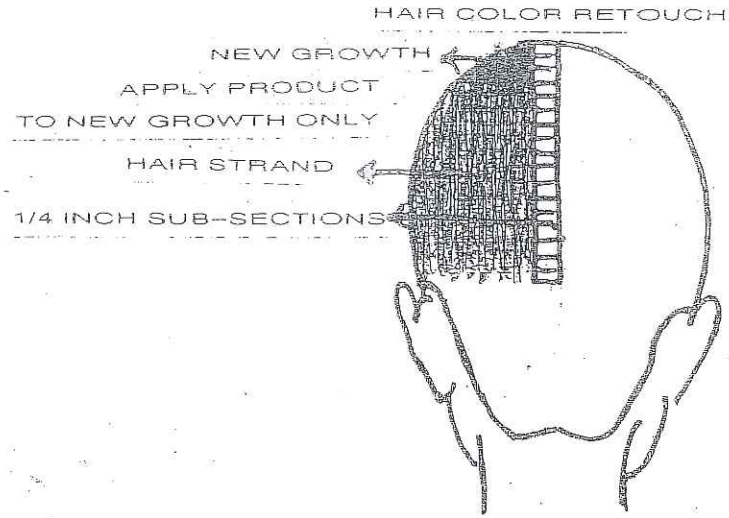
- Subsections hair ⅛ inch wide or less
- Applies product ½ inch from scalp to porous ends
- Completely covers subsections with product
- Section must be complete in order to receive passing grade



The Hair Color Retouch section

consists of

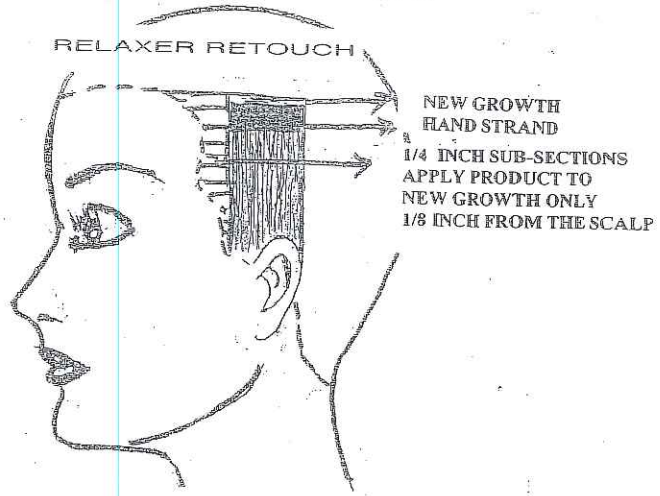
- Applies product to regrowth only (1/2 inch) scalp to ½ inch of hair strand
- Sub-sections ¼ inch wide
- Section must be complete in order to receive passing grade



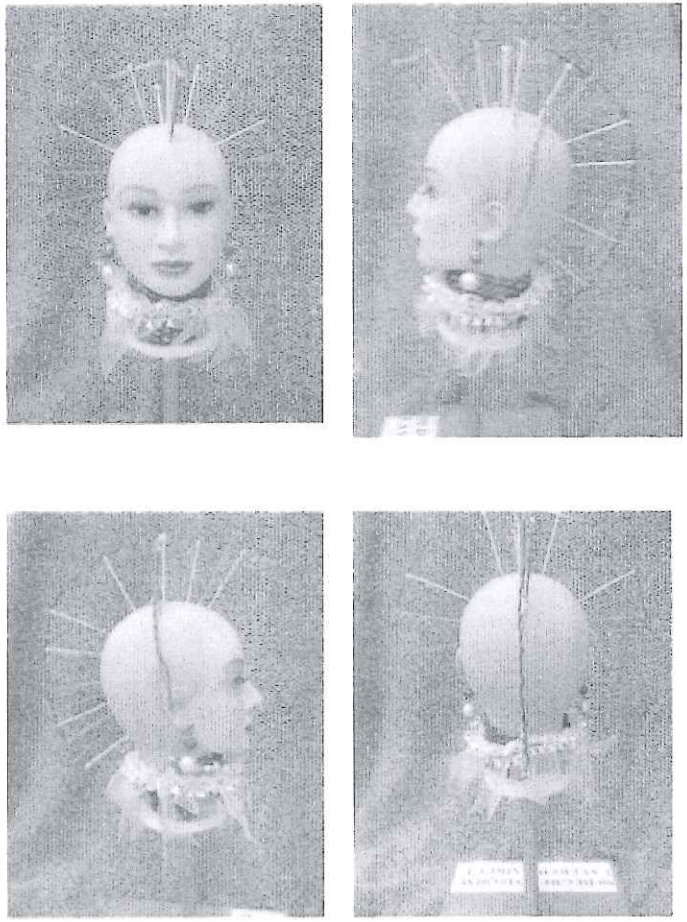
The Relaxer Retouch section

consists of

- Product must be applied to regrowth only(1/2 inch) (1/8 inch from scalp to ½ inch of hair strand)
- Sub-sections ¼ inch wide
- Section must be complete in order to receive passing grade



Haircut



<u>This phase consists of 1 section</u>

Students will be allowed 40 minutes to complete the phase.

- Student must complete a 90-degree uniform layered haircut
- Student must cut no less than one inch of hair
- Student must not cut hair shorter than three inches
- Student must have completed the haircut

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COSMETOLOGY

(Examination)

Set and Comb-Out Total:

Guideline	Check Box
____5 Set must include rollers and pin curls (pin curls must be clipped)	☐ Not back combed/roller marks were very visible
____5 Form and balance is present in Comb out	☐ Pin Curls were not clipped
____5 Back combing/ No roller marks	☐ Back combing not smooth
____5 Mannequin must be completely dry for proper comb out	☐ Comb out had no form or balance
	☐ Wet mannequin – student unable to comb out
	☐ Rollers and pin curls removed prior to grading

Wet Work Total:---------

Guideline	Check Box
____4 Horizontal finger waves (entire Head)	☐ Did not complete 3 rows for brush waves
____4 Skip Wave – diagonal only (pincurls must be clipped)	☐ Did not complete entire head of finger waves
____4 Brush Wave (Pincurls must be clipped) Must be 3 rows of alternating pincurls (Must be vertical)	☐ Did not use yellow rollers
	☐ Dragging hair from one section to another
____4 Pin curls – on base, half off base, off base, pincurl in a shaping (all pincurls must be clipped and clearly defined)	☐ Pincurls not clipped/ bases not clearly defined
	☐ Pincurls not in one base line
____4 Rollers – on base, half off base, off base, roller in a shaping (Yellow rollers only	☐ Rollers not defined as on base, half off base, off base and roller in a shaping
	☐ Sub sections for rollers not diameter size of rollers
	☐ Skip wave not properly executed/not diagonal
	☐ Not horizontal finger waves

Permanent Wave Total:

Guideline	Check Box
____5 Wrapping Procedure/ Rubber Bands	☐ Did not use white rods
____5 Use of end papers in relation to strand of hair, Perferred method double (end papers) flat wrap	☐ Fish Hook were present
	☐ Incorrect sub sectioning
____5 Position of rod on scalp in relation to size of strand and size of rod. First 3 rods may be rolled forward, or backward, the remaining rods are to be rolled backward and all rods are half off base	☐ No tension
	☐ Rods not Half Off base
	☐ Rubber bands placed incorrectly
	☐ Section was not completed
____5 Sectioning/neatness and size according to rods used	☐ Used Picks

Foil Hi-Lite Total:

Guideline	Check Box
____5 Placement of foil/Close to scalp	☐ Placement of foil was incorrect
____5 Strands must be weaved/Complete product saturation	☐ Product applied to far from the scalp
____10 Section must be completed	☐ Product not applied to strand of hair within the foil
	☐ Section was not completed
	☐ Strands were not weaved

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Virgin Bleach Total:

	Guideline	Check Box
____5	Application of product – 1/2 inch from scalp to porous ends	☐ Process not as stated in guidelines notation
____5	Sub-Sections are 1/8 inch wide	☐ Product applied to close to scalp
____10	Section must be completed NOTE: If hair is 4 inches or shorter – product must be applied on the entire strand. If hair is longer than 4 inches – product must be applied Down the strand to the porous ends (approx 1 inch)	☐ Product applied to far from the scalp
		☐ Product not applied down to porous ends
		☐ Section was not completed
		☐ Short hair/product not applied to the ends
		☐ Long Hair/product applied to porous ends
		☐ Sub-Section too wide

Hair Color Retouch Total:

	Guideline	Check Box
____5	Application of product to re-growth only (1/2 inch of mock re-growth	☐ Hair strand not evenly saturated with product
____5	Sub-Sections no wider than ¼ inch wide/even saturation required	☐ Product applied past ½ inch of mock re-growth
____10	Section must be completed	☐ Section was not completed
		☐ Sub-Sections too wide
		☐ Not enough product applied for a ½ inch re-growth
		☐ Product not applied to the scalp of re-growth area

Relaxer Retouch Total:

	Guideline	Check Box
____5	Application of product to re-growth only (1/8 from scalp and on more than the ½ inch re-growth)	☐ Product applied too far down the strand
____5	Sub-Section are no wider than ¼ inch wide	☐ Product applied too far from the scalp
____10	Section must be completed	☐ Product not visible on both sides of hair strand
		☐ Section was not completed
		☐ Sub-Sections too wide
		☐ Not enough product applied for a ½ inch re-growth

Haircut Total:

	Guideline	Check Box
____10	A completed 90 degree uniformed layered haircut	☐ Did not cut 1 inch of hair
____5	Student must leave 3 inches or more of hair to be graded	☐ Did not cut a 90 degree uniformed layered haircut
____5	Student must cut no less than 1 inch of hair	☐ Did not leave 3 inches or more to be graded
		☐ Guide line was lost

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