

PUBLIC PROTECTION DIVISION
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STANDARD CONDITIONS
FOR PREMISES PROVIDING NAIL TREATMENTS
London Local Authorities Act 1991-2000

These conditions are to be read in conjunction with the Standard Conditions for Special Treatment Premises. Other conditions may be added to licences if circumstances warrant this.

Definitions

Nail Treatments:

Defined as any, or all, of the following: manicure, pedicure, nail extensions or artificial nails of any kind. Any treatment of the hands, feet, finger nails or toenails which may include scrubbing, massage, cutting, filing, varnishing and cuticle removal.

For the purposes of this COP nail treatments do not include any form of Chiropody carried out by a Chiropodist.

CONSULTATION

1. A full client consultation must be carried out at the time of a first visit. This should establish any contra-indications to treatment and include a medical history and an assessment of the condition of the hands and nails or feet and toe nails as appropriate. Any reactions to initial treatment and advice should be noted.
2. The consultation record must be updated with any subsequent treatments.
3. The consultation records must be available for inspection on the request of an authorised officer and be retained for a minimum of two years.

AGE

4. Clients must be over the age 16 to request nail treatments and provide acceptable photographic identification as proof of age on request.
5. Clients under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who must sign the appropriate consent forms.
6. Any person wishing to receive a licensable treatment will need to provide proof of their age if they look under 25.
7. Licensees must advertise this policy so that all clients are made aware that they may be challenged about their age if they look under 25.
8. Acceptable forms of ID are accredited proof of age cards e.g. Citizencard, a Passport, or UK Driving Licence bearing the photograph and date of birth of the bearer a photo driving licence, passport or the PASS hologram proof of age card.
9. Where a challenge is made, it must be recorded and proof age also noted on the client consultation record.

VENTILATION

10. All premises must have good general ventilation, at least 10 litres per second per person, to reduce exposure to vapours from nail products and solvents.
11. Where there is insufficient natural air flow through the building, mechanical ventilation may be required.

12. Local exhaust ventilation to remove dust and vapour as close to site of production as possible must be used.

METHOD

13. Nail technicians must wash their hands thoroughly before each client is treated and must either sanitise the client's hands prior to treatment with a suitable skin sanitising product or request them to wash their hands/feet.
14. Clean, washable overclothing to be worn.
15. All reusable metal equipment such as cuticle clippers and cuticle knives must be washed and scrubbed in general purpose detergent (e.g. washing up liquid) and water. The equipment must then be dried and disinfected before being used on any client.
16. The equipment should be stored in a clean dry airtight container until use. Items must not be stored within the disinfecting fluid.
17. There must be a sufficient quantity of tools to allow for disinfection between clients. Disposables should be used wherever possible.
18. If disposable/non-disinfectable nail files are used these must not be used on more than one client.
19. No electric 'drills' to be used on the natural nail bed. They may only be used on the acrylic tip by a nail technician who has received training in the safe use of electric tools. Evidence of training must be kept on site.
20. Clients must be given aftercare instructions if nail extensions or artificial nail services are provided.