

## NIC Practical Examination Frequently Asked Questions

### ESTHETICS PRACTICAL

Q. What exfoliation product is required?

A. *Simulated, or real product, properly labeled "exfoliating product"*

Q. What type of brush is used with it?

A. *Candidate may use a brush, sponge, cloth, etc. But it must be properly disposed of.*

Q. Is the steam towel removing the exfoliation product?

A. *It can be used to remove exfoliation product.*

Q. It states in the handbook that more than one client should be represented for this exam, is this for cleaning, disinfection purposes: Or are there multiple models required.

A. *One model/mannequin is fine. Just demonstrate breaking down and setting up for a new client.*

Q. In Work Area Set Up and New Client Preparation, can they use the same head, just set it aside and then once the table is clean place it back down and re-drape her?

A. *Yes*

Q. Do they have to take all of the supplies off of the table, or can they leave the Universal Supplies out? The packing list only lists one general supplies bag.

A. *Yes, the Universal Supplies may remain out and be reused on the next client, however the ENTIRE work surface must be disinfected.*

Q. Why do multiple areas say "model/mannequin". Is this an option for students to use a mannequin instead of a model.

*A. Thank you for pointing this out. Please check state exam requirements. In states that mannequins are required, only 1 mannequin is required. In states that require models, only 1 model is required.*

Q. For work area and NEW client set up it states that supplies should be brought out for the remainder of the service. It does not mention Hard Wax at all.

*A. The initial verbal instructions state they will be notified when to plug in their wax pots.*

Q. Will students be required to change the linens, wrap and head covering during this time?

*A. Yes, this is considered a New client*

Q. Is a sheet still required for this covering of clothing?

*A. A sheet never has been a requirement. A drape is all that is required.*

Q. For the hard wax section, is this simulated or actual hard wax being used?

*A. Hard Wax product is required*

Q. In the back where recommended supplies are listed, the hard wax section has not been listed. Will my students need heaters?

*A. Yes, they will need heaters. The supplies are listed under "Hair removal, upper lip"*

Q. For the particle Microdermabrasion, what is considered a simulated hand piece?

*A. A medical cotton swab, pencil with eraser, etc. With an attached 4 feet tubing or cord.*

Q. What is used as a degreaser in this section?

*A. Anything is acceptable as long as it is labeled “degreaser or prep solution”*

Q. What mask should be applied prior to this section? Is there a reason for applying a mask PRIOR to the Microdermabrasion?

*A. The required mask is a protective mask for the esthetician, not a facial product.*

Q. During the blood exposure incident, what should be secured to the head to cover the wound and how should it be secured?

*A. An adhesive bandage is sufficient.*

Q. Why are there no single use items allowed anymore?

*A. There have never been single use items allowed.*

Q. What type of container is used for “to be disinfected”, “soiled linens”, “trash”?

*A. Our goal is to have the candidate demonstrate knowledge of infection control procedures. A plastic closeable container, a gift bag with liner, trashcan, etc. It must be properly labeled*

Q. Facial Makeup...What do you consider single use products?

*A. Products must still be transferred from their original container to a makeup pallet.*

Q. Are they still able to use disposable applicators?

*A. Candidates are required to use disposable applicators/wands as in the current exams.*

Q. Blood Exposure Procedure. Does the candidate have to demonstrate “milking” the wound to remove bacteria?

*A. Milking is NOT evaluated, this step would be considered over and above.*