

## Skills USA – GA. State Competition

### Hairstyling, haircutting, written exam, and oral exam

#### Contest Guidelines

##### HAIRCUTTING

1. Students must follow state board procedures and sanitation requirements
2. Manikin hair must be at least 6 inches long and have no pre-layering
3. No pre-work or marking on the head allowed
4. Students will have 45 min. to complete this portion of the test
5. No ornaments, etc. may be added to the hair
6. Students must be able to maneuver the cut using both the shears and razor
7. Students will have a posted picture to preview

##### HAIRSTYLING

1. Long hair manikin – can be trimmed if needed
2. Manikins may be pre-colored
3. Students may use any type of styling implement
4. Students will have 1 hour to complete this portion of the test
5. No pre-work on manikin (curls, rollers, etc.)
6. No extensions, hairpieces, ornament (makeup and jewelry is permitted, but must be applied or added during the time allocated for the long hair (updo) design
7. No eyelashes

##### WRITTEN TEST

1. 50 questions, multiple choice
2. Students will have 45 min. to complete this portion of the test

##### ORAL TEST (will be given only if time permits)

1. Students will respond to 3 oral questions asked by the judges (each judge will ask 1 question)
  - a. Students will be evaluated on verbal communication skills (enunciation, pitch, & tone of voice – avoid overuse of uhhs and hmms etc.)
  - b. Students will also be evaluated on professionalism (posture, physical appearance, the use of professional terminology, and eye contact)
2. Students will be given 1-2 min. per contestant to respond to questions (30 min. to complete this testing session)

##### CLOTHING REQUIREMENT

For men: Official white polo shirt, black dress slacks, black socks and black leather work shoe

For women: Official white top, black dress slacks, black socks or black or skin-tone hose, and black leather work shoes

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Open to active Skills USA members enrolled in programs with cosmetology/nail care as the occupational objective

## **EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS**

### **1. Supplied by the technical committee:**

- Station
- Electric outlet
- Water

### **2. Bring with you:**

- Shears
- Razor
- Cutting combs
- Clips (for sectioning)
- Manikin (2) one for the cut and one for hairstyling
- Towels
- Capes and neck strips
- Water bottle
- Brushes
- Styling Products
- Blow dryer
- Implements to complete hairstyling
- Sterilization techniques

**\*\*\*Don't forget Resume\*\*\***

## **COSMETOLOGY CONTEST RULES**

- No talking
- No cell phones
- No leaving to go to restroom (during a testing session)
- Contest will begin promptly @ 10am
- No one other than contestant allowed in competition area
- Instructions will be given one time...listen carefully
- No talking to judges , unless addressed
- Once objective is complete, please sit quietly at your station, you may work on your manikin until time is up
- If you have any questions, please raise you hands

**\*\*\*NO OBSERVERS DURING THE COMPETITION DUE TO LIMITED SPACE\*\*\***

