



Cosmetology – State Contest Update 2023

Review the contest Technical Standards for more information!

The Technical Standards online the competition at the national level and are used to prepare the state-level competition. This document outlines any differences between the state and national contest, as it relates to those standards.

CONTESTANT INFORMATION

Uniform Requirements

Review the contest Technical Standards for specific uniform requirements. NO Denim.

Attire should NOT have the school's name or contestant name on them. Points will be deducted.

Shoes should be black leather closed-toe shoes. No heels, flip flops, or open-toed shoes. Students must wear socks or hose.

Mannequins

2 Blonde Mannequins. All students will have the Blonde Mannequins to level the field. Any other mannequins used will have points deducted. Burmax offers a discount for Sam II Blonde mannequins for SkillsUSA competitors. Contact your Burmax representative. Other alternatives that can be used... Marianna Barbara Blonde.

One mannequin will be used for the women's haircut and style. This can NOT be pre-colored or NOT pre-cut. Points will be deducted if mannequin is precut or precolored. Mannequins should be new from the box.

The second mannequin will be used for the creative updo. This mannequin can be pre-colored and pre-cut if needed.

NO MAKEUP, JEWELRY or SCARVES MAY BE ADDED TO THE MANNEQUINS AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR DURING THE COMPETITION.

Supplies Provided by the Contestant

Competitors must bring their own supplies. Judges will do a kit check before the start of the contest. Some items may not be used in the contest. Any other items must be shown to the judges for approval before the start of the contest.

- Sam II Blonde Burmax or Marianna Barbara Blonde mannequin for women's cut and style (may NOT be pre-colored or pre-cut)
- Second Sam II Burmax or Marianna Barbara Blonde mannequin for creative updo (may be pre-colored and/or pre-cut)
- Mannequin stand or tripod
- Sectioning clips of choice
- Combs of choice – haircutting, rattail, teasing
- Detangle comb
- Hair pick
- Brushes of choice – all purpose, thermal, boars, teasing, vent, round, Denman
- Hair spray
- No more than 3 styling products
- Shears
- Texturizing/thinning shears
- Razor w/ blades
- Thermal irons of choice
- Blow dryer w/ concentrator attachment
- Cape (full length or comb out cape can be used for mannequin)
- Sanex strips
- 4 cloth towels
- Bobby pins/hairpins/elastic bands (optional)
- Clippers (optional)
- PRE-FILLED water bottle – labeled (there may not be water available at competition sites)
- Disinfectant in spray bottle – labeled – no need for a Barbacide jar
- Plastic shoebox with covered container for dirty combs and brushes – labeled
- Small dustpan and broom
- Small baggie for disposal of hair
- Gloves
- Band aids – small first aid kit
- Extension cord
- Small stand-up mirror (optional)
- Resume

OTHER INFORMATION

- There should be no contact between advisors and contestants during the contest.
- Space for observers is not guaranteed or required and depends on the venue and logistics.
- Contestants will be given restroom breaks at the discretion of the facilitator.
- Once the contest and judging are complete, advisors and spectators may take photos.
- If you cut yourself during the competition with the shears, you should have your own Band-Aids, etc. However, if it is a severe cut, please call the facilitator or judge.
- You must arrive on time. If you are late, you may join but will not be given extra time.
- If you have electrical problems, please see a judge or facilitator.
- **Only contestants, not advisors, can file a grievance.**

GENERAL CONTEST OUTLINE

Below is a general outline that should be used to prepare. Contestants will receive a detailed schedule and information at the contest orientation.

Contestant Orientation

Contestants will meet at the contestant holding area.

Contest facilitator will go over procedures and answer any questions.

Contestants will draw for stations.

Contest Setup

Contestants will set up stations.

Remember to disinfect stations prior to using.

All tools and supplies should be disinfected prior to arrival.

Stations should be set up in a professional manner.

First Women's Haircut Mannequin should be set up and properly draped.

Judges Kit/Supply Check

Judges will check for all required supplies for points.

Women's Haircut

Mannequin #1 – Sam II or Barbara – may NOT be pre-colored and NOT pre-cut.

No makeup or jewelry pre-applied or at any time during contest.

Contestants are given the haircut technical and have 5 minutes to review before beginning.

Contestants will have 45 minutes to complete the haircut only – no style.

Haircut may be completed with tool(s) of choice – shears, razor, texturizers, clippers.

When time is called, contestants are not to touch mannequin until instructed by the facilitator.

Creative UPDO

Mannequin #2 – Sam II or Barbara – may be pre-colored and/or pre-cut.

No makeup or jewelry pre-applied or at any time during the contest.

Theme is "creative." This theme is open to interpretation for the contestant.

Mannequins cannot be preset using any wet set technique or thermal curls/texture. Mannequin should be dry.

Contestants will have 60 minutes to compete the creative updo.

Thermal tools may be used to create the updo.

No hairpieces, weaving, ornaments, extensions, ribbons, color spray, or glitter may be used.

No ornaments or hairpieces are allowed.

Contestants may **NOT** apply makeup to the mannequin, including eyelashes (no special effects makeup or paint).

When time is called, contestants are not to touch mannequin until instructed by the facilitator.

Blow Dry Style – Women's Haircut

Mannequin #1 – Students will have 30 minutes to complete style on women's haircut.

Thermal tools may be used.

No hairpieces, weaving, ornaments, extensions, ribbons, color spray, or glitter may be used.

No ornaments or hairpieces are allowed.

Contestants may **NOT** apply makeup to the mannequin, including eyelashes (no special effects makeup or paint).

When time is called, contestants are not to touch mannequin until instructed by the facilitator.

Oral Communication

Competitor will turn in Professional Resume to Judge. Please make sure resume is authentic. You will be judged on oral communication skills and how you present yourself. You will be asked for a brief explanation of your creative style. You can present inspiration, color placement techniques and style techniques using professional terminology. Judges may ask questions.

Written Test

Technical Assessment – general knowledge of Cosmetology.

Professional Development Assessment – SkillsUSA and professional development knowledge (study guide on state website)

Tests will be completed online in advance of the competition. Information will be emailed to contestants and advisors.

Infection Control Procedures

Competitors should practice the highest levels of infection control during the contest.

Competitors should disinfect stations prior to and at the conclusion of the contests.

Competitors must sweep their own hair with personal broom and dustpan and dispose of in their own baggie.

Use the plastic shoebox labeled “dirty tools” for your dirty combs and brushes.

Professionalism

Competitors are expected to conduct themselves with a professional, friendly, helpful professional attitude.

All techniques should portray professionalism and confidence.

Cell phones should be off and out of sight for the duration of the contest.

Only communication with judges during the contest.

Mannequins should be displayed level so that judges can score properly.

Special Note to Instructors:

The Florida SkillsUSA Cosmetology committee is committed to keeping all our advisors informed so all of our SkillsUSA competitors can come to competitions prepared. We are currently working on aligning our contests to the National SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards. You may see a few changes this year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us!

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