

Level 1 Certificate in Hair and Beauty Therapy

Summary of Changes

Purpose of Update: Following a scheduled review of this qualification, updates have been made to ensure it remains fit for purpose, relevant and engaging.

The qualification has been assigned its own specification to enhance usability and to ensure that centres can navigate the information more efficiently. As part of this review, some indicative content has been updated and the optional Level 2 Hair and Beauty units have been removed from the Level 1 specification.

The information below details what changes have been made for teaching from 1st August 2026 onwards.

Revision date	Updated by	Previous version	New version	What this means for you
January 2026	Product	<p>The Level 1 specification included optional Level 2 Hair and Beauty units:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apply Make-Up (J/601/4222) • Salon Reception Duties (A/600/8773) • Shampoo and Condition the Hair and Scalp (H/600/8539) • The Art of Colouring Hair (T/600/8626) 	Optional Level 2 Hair and Beauty units have been removed from the Level 1 specification.	Centres should note that the above Level 2 Hair and Beauty units have been removed from the Level 1 specification. These units can no longer be delivered or assessed as part of this qualification from 1st August 2026.