

Cosmetology Operator License

INDUSTRY-BASED CERTIFICATION DESCRIPTION

The Cosmetology Operator License examination measures the following content: licensing and regulation, infection control, hair and scalp care, and nail and skin care. Embedded in the Cosmetology Operator exam is the ability to earn the Esthetician and Manicurist licenses.

After completing and passing the written examination, candidates will be eligible to take the practical exam. The following sections make up the practical exam: pre-exam set up and disinfection, manicure service, safety criteria, facial service, chemical services, shampoo service, hair shaping service, permanent waving service, curl demonstration and roller placement, blow drying and thermal curling service and end of exam disinfection.

There are several requirements that need to take place prior to applying for the cosmetology operator license. You must have a high school diploma or equivalency to apply for a Texas cosmetology license. Training will need to take place at a beauty school licensed in Texas. Beauty school students will be issued a student permit while in training.

For additional information, please visit the following link:
<https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/cosmet/individuals/apply-operator.htm>



CERTIFYING ENTITY

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Exam Name: Cosmetology Operator License exam

Exam Website:
<https://www.tdlr.texas.gov/cosmet/individuals/exam.htm#bulletin>

Number of Questions: written exam
100 scored items, 10 non-scored items

Exam Time: 130 minutes (120 for scored items, 10 for non-scored items)
Practical Exam: 3 hours and 20 minutes

Exam Site: Examinations at locations around the state are offered on a day to be scheduled by the applicant. Applicants will receive an eligibility postcard from PSI once all eligibility requirements are met. The written examination and practical exams are offered at various locations around the state.

Exam Price: written examination \$50
practical examination \$72 (NOTE: FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE.)

Candidate Requirements: Applicants for an operator license must complete one of the following beauty school training requirements:

- Complete 1,500 hours of instruction in a beauty school
- Complete 1,000 hours of instruction in a beauty school and 500 hours of related high-school courses as part of a vocational cosmetology program in a public high school
- Class A Barber Certificate and completion of 300 hours of instruction in cosmetology through an approved training program in a beauty school

Study Materials & Resources:
https://candidate.psiexams.com/bulletin/display_bulletin.jsp?ro=yes&actionname=83&bulletinid=170&bulletinurl=.pdf