

SUBJECT: ACRYLIC (Methacrylate) NAIL ENHANCEMENTS

LESSON OBJECTIVES:

Upon completion of the lesson, the student will be able to:

- Explain acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancement chemistry and how it works.
- List the supplies needed acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancements application.
- Demonstrate the proper procedure for applying (methacrylate) nail enhancement, using forms, over tips and on natural nails.
- Practice safety precaution involving application of nail primers.
- Describe the proper procedure for maintaining healthy acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancements.
- Perform regular rebalance procedure and repairs.
- Implement the proper procedure for removal of acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancements
- Explain how the application of odorless acrylic (methacrylate) products differs from the application of traditional acrylic (methacrylate) products.

Inspirational thought for the day: “Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly.” – Robert Francis Kennedy

I) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancements Using Forms

A) Supplies for Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancements

- Acrylic (methacrylate) monomer liquid.
- Mix ratio.
- Acrylic (methacrylate) polymer powder.
- Nail dehydrator.
- Nail primer.
- Abrasive.
- Nail forms.
- Nail tips.
- Nail adhesive.
- Dappen dish.
- Nail brush.
- Safety eyewear.
- Dust mask and protective gloves.

B) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancement Pre-Service

- Complete the pre-service sanitation and disinfection procedure, described in chapter 13.
- Set up your standard manicuring table.
- Greet the client and direct her to wash her hands with liquid soap and warm running water.
- Perform a client consultation, using client consultation form the record responses and observations.

C) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Post-Service

- Make another appointment.
- Take-home product recommendations.
- Clean up around your table.
- Clean brush.
- Discard used materials.
- Clean your table, and then clean and disinfect implements and multiuse tools such as abrasive and implements.

D) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancement Maintenance and Removal

II) Odorless Acrylic (methacrylate) Products

III) Colored Acrylic (methacrylate) Powders

PROCEDURE:

- 1) Application of Acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancements using forms.
 - Clean nails and remove existing polish.
 - Push back eponychium and carefully remove cuticle from the nail plate.
 - Remove oily shine from natural nail surface.
 - Apply nail dehydrator.
 - Position nail form.
 - Apply nail primer.
 - Prepare monomer liquid and polymer powder.
 - Dip brush in monomer liquid.
 - Form product bead.
 - Place bead of product.
 - Shape free edge.
 - Place second bead of product.
 - Shape second bead of product.
 - Apply product bead.
 - Apply product to remaining nails.
 - Remove nail forms.
 - Shape nail enhancements.
 - Buff nail enhancements.
 - Apply nail oil.
 - Apply hand cream and massage hand and arm.
 - Clean nail enhancements.
 - Apply nail polish.
- 2) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancements Over Tips or Natural Nails
 - Complete acrylic (methacrylate) nail pre-service on page 301.
 - Remove existing polish.
 - Clean fingernails.
 - Push back eponychium and carefully remove cuticle from the nail plate.
 - Buff nail plate to remove oily shine.
 - Apply nail dehydrator.
 - Apply tips.
 - Apply nail primer.
 - Prepare acrylic (methacrylate) liquid and powder.
 - Dip brush into monomer liquid.
 - Form product bead.
 - Place bead of product on free edge.
 - Shape free edge.
 - Place second bead of product.
 - Shape second bead of product.
 - Apply product beads.
 - Shape and refine nail enhancement.
 - Buff nail enhancement.
 - Apply nail oil.
 - Apply hand cream and massage hand and arm.
 - Clean nail enhancements.

- Apply nail polish.
 - Complete acrylic (methacrylate) enhancement post-service procedure.
- 3) Acrylic (methacrylate) Nail Enhancements Rebalance
- Complete acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancement application pre-service.
 - Remove existing polish.
 - Smooth ledge between new growth and acrylic nail.
 - Refine entire nail enhancement.
 - Buff nail enhancement.
 - Blend areas of lifting.
 - Clean nail enhancements.
 - Push back eponychium and carefully remove cuticle from the nail plate.
 - Remove oily shine from natural nail surface.
 - Apply nail dehydrator
 - Apply nail primer.
 - Prepare acrylic (methacrylate) liquid and powder.
 - Place beads of enhancement product.
 - Shape beads of enhancement product.
 - Place beads enhancement product.
 - Shape beads of enhancement product.
 - Shape nail enhancements.
 - Buff nail enhancement.
 - Apply nail oil.
 - Apply hand cream and massage hand and arm.
 - Thoroughly clean nail enhancements.
 - Apply nail polish.
 - Complete acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancement application post-service.
- 4) Crack repair for acrylic (methacrylate) nail enhancements.
- Complete acrylic (methacrylate) nail application pre-service.
 - Remove existing polish.
 - File crack in nail enhancement.
 - Clean nail enhancements.
 - Apply nail dehydrator.
 - Apply nail primer.
 - Apply nail form.
 - Prepare monomer liquid and polymer powder.
 - Place beads of enhancement product.
 - Shape beads of enhancement product.
 - Place additional beads of enhancement product.
 - Remove the form (if used).
 - Reshape nail enhancement using a medium abrasive (180 to 240 grit)
 - Buff until smooth.
 - Clean nail enhancements.
 - Apply nail oil to skin and enhancement, and massage in for more rapid penetration.
 - Apply hand cream and massage hand and arm.
 - Clean nail enhancements thoroughly.
 - Apply nail polish.
 - Complete acrylic (methacrylate) enhancement application post-service.
- 5) Acrylic (methacrylate) removal
- Fill bowl with acetone or manufacturer-recommended product remover.

- Soak nail enhancements.
- Remove nail enhancement.
- Buff natural nail.
- Condition skin and nail enhancements.