

SkillsUSA Florida Championships 2021

PREPARING FOR THE CONTEST

Introductory Information

This document serves as a supplement to the official SkillsUSA Technical Standards found online at absorb.skillsusa.org to be used to prepare for state-level virtual competitions. State-level contests will follow the "Standards and Competencies" outlined in the official SkillsUSA Technical Standards (Virtual). Contestants and instructors should review the contest's Technical Standards as a first step in preparing for a competitive event.

Any information contained in this document applies to state-level competitive events only. Download and review the State Virtual General Regulations at skillsusafl.org/state-conference for more information regarding virtual contests. The list of supplies and materials outlined below is subject to change; updates will be posted to our website on the contest updates page.

SkillsUSA Professional Members (advisors and teachers) can access the standards through SkillsUSA Absorb (absorb.skillsusa.org). To join as a Professional Member visit bit.ly/skillsusa-prof.

Clothing Requirements

Because of the nature of virtual competitions, official SkillsUSA competition clothing is not required, but is encouraged. Students may also compete in trade-appropriate attire if official contest attire is not available. Alternatively, competitors may dress in business attire. See State Virtual General Regulations for more information.

Class F: Contest Specific - Cosmetology

- Official SkillsUSA white dress shirt
- Black dress slacks
- Black socks or black or skin-tone seamless hose
- Black leather work or dress shoes
- Note: The Official SkillsUSA white cosmetology smock or apron can be worn with the white dress shirt.

Supplies and Materials

Contestants will need the following for the contest:

- 1:1 device for each contestant with camera, microphone and internet connection of at least 2 Mbps up/down
- Filming Device
A device to complete a video recording. This may be a laptop, phone or other device with support devices like a tripod, microphone, etc. Preferred file format is MP4.
- 1-page resume for each team member in PDF format
- Model
- Disinfectant jar (for implements with disinfecting solution)
- Technical guidelines for the specific applications to be performed

- Plastic bags for disposal and refuse
- One electrical outlet per contestant
- Pedicure basin
- Safety glasses for contestant and model
- White terry towels (no holes or stains)
- Disposable towels for the table
- Water supply
- All items needed to complete a basic pedicure
 - Implements should be brought to the contest ready to use - cleaned and disinfected or new
 - Lotions, masks, scrubs and/or callus removers must be from the same professional manufacturer
- All items necessary for a three- to four-minute mock client consultation on natural nail care services
- All items necessary to complete five sculptured acrylic nails
 - Dappen dishes must have covers
 - Monomer, polymer and primer must be from the same professional manufacturer
 - Two or more of the four basic acrylic colors (pink, white, clear or natural) must be used to complete a two-tone/French manicure sculpted nails
- All items necessary to complete five nails with a tip and light-cured enhancement overlay.
 - Gel polish, temporary or no-light gels may be used
- All items necessary to complete the flat nail art application
 - Medium choices
 - Acrylic paints
 - Polishes/lacquers
 - Colored powders (acrylic and dip)
 - Gel polish
 - Rhinestones sizes 20ss and under
 - Glitters and dusts
 - Adhesives
 - No prepared items may be used; items are limited to those intended for use on nails. Topcoat may be used as a sealer
- Written description of the nail art theme, typewritten
- Photos of nail art to be created must be submitted by April 1. Photos may include props.
- Portable kit organizer
- Manicure table lamp and electrical extension cord (optional)
- Electric drills are not permitted
- Additional supplies and materials may be required. Contest supply and materials lists will be posted on the Contest Updates page by March 1.

SkillsUSA Florida will provide the following for the contest:

- Contest prompt and information
- Contest Prep Box, with materials needed for the contest like stopwatch, measuring tape, and large face digital clock that must be used in pre-recorded videos
- Meeting links and upload information

Local Proctor Information

A local contest proctor (non-advisor/program instructor) must be present for the recording of the contest. The proctor should review the technical standard, this document and the state contest which will include an integrity statement containing additional information for the proctor.

Once the contest is complete, the contestants, chapter advisor and onsite proctor will sign-off on the integrity statement. Additional contest proctor information can be found on our website.

Advisor Information

An advisor or instructor must be present for the duration of the competition to ensure safety and conduct standards are upheld. Advisors will not participate in judging or interfere in the contest, except in the event of safety or conduct violations, or equipment malfunction. Any communication between students and their advisors during the contest will result in disqualification.

CONTEST INFORMATION

Knowledge Performance

This contest includes two multiple choice knowledge assessments. Instructions and credentials to complete these assessments will be provided when the contest window opens. These assessments should be completed under the supervision of the contest proctor.

- **Nail Care Assessment** – Based on the standards and competencies as outlined in the Technical Standards.
- **Professional Development Career Readiness Assessment** – Assesses preparedness to enter the workforce as defined by the SkillsUSA Framework, which identifies skills that are essential for success in the workplace and life.

Skill Performance

This portion of the contest will include a series of testing situations including technical applications.

Contest Guidelines

This contest will require individual recordings and live sessions. The theme will be selected by the contestant.

Contestants will need to identify a model to complete each recording. The same model should be used for all recordings. Each contestant will receive the contest prompt, which will outline the specifics of the recordings and live sessions.

All recordings will follow these guidelines. A contest proctor will be required for each recording. This must be setup, started, monitored and stopped by the contest proctor. The camera must be setup in such a way as to show all materials and a clear workspace. The contestant should be visible in the recording at all times. The recording must be unedited (continuous) to ensure no outside help was provided.

Contestants will be asked to record or perform live each of the following:

- 3-4-minute client consultation
- Basic Pedicure on one foot
- Sculptured, acrylic nails on one hand
- Tips with light-cured gel overlay
- Polish application on one hand

A contest proctor will be required for each recording. Recordings must be setup, started, monitored and stopped by the contest proctor. The camera must be setup in such a way as to show all materials and a clear workspace. The contestant and large face digital clock should be always visible in the recording. The recording must be unedited (continuous) to ensure no outside help was provided.

Photos of the final products must be submitted. These requirements will be outlined in the state contest prompt.

The contestant will not mention their name, school, city or state. Basic safety practices related to the skill performed must be followed.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The following needs to be uploaded by the deadline. No late submissions will be accepted.

- Statement of Assurances: PDF file (*Upload by April 1)
- Resume: PDF file (*Upload by April 1)
- Pre-Recorded Demonstration Video: MP4 file
- Photos of final products: JPG or JPEG files
- Written description of the nail art theme (one page, typewritten): PDF file
- Integrity Statement: PDF file