

# Barbering Contest Update



## ***New Updates for 2021:***

- ***Mr. Sam or Magnum Mannequin with Beard***
- ***New Creative Beard Design component added***
- ***No guards allowed for flat top cut***

## **Supplies and Materials, Provided by the Contestant:**

- One-page typewritten resume submitted online by April 1, 2021
- Mannequin Stand or tripod
- Mannequin (Mr Sam WITH BEARD or Magnum WITH BEARD) and holder
- Band-aids
- Blow dryer
- Brushes
- Clips
- Clippers and Trimmers
- Combs
- EPA registered disinfectant
- Extension Cord
- Gel hand sanitizer
- Mini dustpan and broom
- Gloves
- Hair cutting cape or comb out cape
- Neck strips
- Razor with spare blades
- Scissors/ Shears
- Spray Bottle filled with water
- Stand-up mirror (optional)
- Styling products/ Finishing Spray
- Thinning shears
- Towels
- Ziploc bag for hair
- Pencils

NOTE: Any other items brought by the contestant will be subject to the approval of the technical committee and must be declared at the time of the on-site kit check.

## **Practical Problem**

Contestants will demonstrate their ability to perform skills from the following list of competencies as determined by the Florida SkillsUSA technical committee. Orientation will be given prior to the start of the competition.

1. CUTTING AND SHAPING HAIR
  - Must be able to duplicate/cut and a predetermined style.
  - Must be able to demonstrate or be tested on razor, clipper, and/or scissor techniques.
  - Must be able to demonstrate personal creativity through a beard design
2. WET OR BLOW-DRY STYLING
  - Must be able to demonstrate either a Blow-dry styling hair with a brush and fingers or place into a style reflecting the picture
3. COMMUNICATION SKILLS
  - Must be able to follow oral and written instructions and complete a written exam.

## **Contest Rules and Procedures:**

- Contestants will be asked to perform two haircuts on a mannequin, predetermined by the judges, and will demonstrate a creative beard design on a mannequin
- Pictures and technical drawings of various cuts will be provided to the contestants prior to the start of each cut. Pictures will be available online on the competition platform. Check the Contest Updates page for instructions on accessing.
- Scissors, razor, and thinning shears may be required to complete each haircut
- Blow dryers may be required to complete the blow styling
- Contestants must remain in the contest area until judging is complete
- Critiquing by the judges will be offered at the end of the contest
- The same mannequin will be used for both haircuts and beard design
- Contestants are expected to maintain a clean and organized workspace
- Contestants must follow sanitation and safety procedures throughout the contest
- Professional attitude and communication are expected throughout the contest
- Contestants should not wear any jewelry that could interfere with services
- Additional free-standing lighting or extension cords are not allowed by contestants
- Headlights for the head are allowed (if needed)
- No leveling devices or clipper guards can be used for the flat top cut
- No alterations to clippers or trimmers are allowed. This could be cause for dismal and disqualification from the contest
- Be aware of your personal hygiene and any strong perfumes or colognes
- Contestants are required to sweep and clean their hair and dispose in a Ziploc bag

## SCOPE OF CONTEST:

Contestants will demonstrate their ability to cut and style hair comparable to industry standards using the latest cutting and styling techniques. Competencies the technical committee will consider are:

- The cuts must be properly executed.
- The style must demonstrate originality.
- Neatness of cuts and style.

1. Duplicate a Men's Haircut and style that has been selected by the Technical Committee (45 minutes)

- Duplicate the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor, trimmers, and/or clippers. Guards allowed.
- Demonstrate blending, sectioning, lining and finishing.
- Duplicate the length, design line and textured look of the selected cut
- Duplicate the finished design using blow dryer or thermal tools such as curling iron, flat iron, etc., as needed.
- Use appropriate styling products to duplicate the selected haircut
- Duplicate the balance of form, control of texture and the control of the hair direction
- Follow all safety and sanitation procedures and maintain a clean area at all times.

2. Men's Flat Top Cut: Execute a men's flat top haircut on manikin at a length selected by the Technical Committee (60 minutes)

- Execute the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor and/or clipper and trimmers as needed. **NO GUARDS OR LEVELING DEVICES ALLOWED FOR THE FLATTOP CUT.**
- Demonstrate the correct techniques for cutting a Flat Top
- Demonstrate fading, blending, sectioning, lining and finishing
- If needed, Contestant may apply styling aid to help Fine tune the flat top
- Style using desired styling products to Complete style
- Follow all safety and sanitation procedures and maintain a clean area at all times.

3. Demonstrate a freestyle creative beard design on a mannequin (45-minutes)

- Identify the theme of the men's creative freestyle beard design.
- Duplicate the haircut using shears, thinning shears, texturizing shears, razor, trimmers, and/or clippers. Guards allowed
- Demonstrate fading, blending, sectioning, lining and finishing.
- Create the finished design using blow dryer or thermal tools such as curling iron, flat iron, etc., as needed.
- Use appropriate styling products to create the selected beard design
- Demonstrate balance, proportion and form in the finished creative beard design
- Show control of texture and control of hair direction in the finished design
- Incorporate current trends in the beard design
- Follow all safety and sanitation procedures and maintain a clean area at all times.

## **Scoring Criteria**

- 225 points: Haircut #1 (45min)
- 250 points: Haircut #2 (60min)
- 225 points: Creative Beard Design (45 min)
- 100 points: Written Test: 50 Questions (45 min)
- 100 points: Sanitation
- 100 points: Professionalism

## **Possible Scoring Penalties**

- Unsafe or unprofessional attire (-50 points)
- No resume (-10 points)
- Item missing from kit check (-10 points per item)
- Incorrect mannequin (Must be a MR SAM with beard (Burmax) or Magnum with beard (Marianna) mannequin) (-50 points)
- Touching mannequin after time is called (-10 points)

## **Information regarding NATIONAL COMPETITION for students who advance:**

### **Knowledge Performance**

The contest will include a mini Resume, Job application and a Mini Interview. Contestants will have 45 minutes to complete the Mini Resume & Job Application and the Mini Interview will range 10-15 mins in length.

### **Skill Performance**

The four separate skill performance tests assess skills in haircutting, hair styling, haircolor, beard design & coloring. Creativity is assessed in the creative cut and beard design, while haircutting is tested in the re-creation of one men's haircut from a photograph and one technical haircut which is the Flat Top.