

Kansas Board of Barbering

Barber License Examination

Practical Examination Directions and Procedures

Below are directions and procedures for the practical portion of the barber license examination. This information will be included in the schedule letter sent to all barber examinees prior to the examination date. This information is being provided as an aid to preparation for the exam.

- The straight razor shave must be performed on the tapered cut model. **Grade points will be deducted for noncompliance of this item.**
- All aspects of the tapered and the trend haircuts are graded by the examiners. This includes the front; top; back; right side; left side; and the outline of the two types of haircuts. The tapered haircut must be markedly different from the trend haircut. **Grade points will be deducted for noncompliance of this item.**
- The two (2) models **must** have a full head of hair and be in need of a haircut. The Board has established that the model's hair should be approximately 3" long prior to the haircut. The model used for the taper haircut **must** have visible beard growth for the shave. **Grade points will be deducted for noncompliance of these aforementioned items.**
- An edger or a straight edge razor **must** be used by the examinee when performing the outline on the taper model.
- Perm rods may be rolled and wrapped on either the taper or the trend model. (This decision is designated to the examinee's choice.)
- The examiners will grade on professional conduct; hygiene; and observance of all sanitation regulations. Your appearance and dress should be such that is compared to a job interview in a professional barbering establishment.

**BARBER EXAMINATION
PROCEDURES**

PRACTICAL EXAMINATION

You may place these instructions on the back bar during the practical examination to insure that the procedures are followed in the correct order.

The order of procedure for the practical examination is as follows:

TAPERED CUT

1. Roll and wrap three (3) perm rods
** (You have the option of performing this procedure on either the tapered cut or the trend cut model)

CALL CHECK

2. Straight razor shave
3. Facial
4. Scalp manipulation
5. Perform tapered haircut

CALL CHECK

TREND CUT

1. Roll and wrap three (3) perm rods
** (You have the option of performing this procedure on either the tapered cut or the trend cut model)

CALL CHECK

2. Shampoo - perform trend cut or Trend cut - perform shampoo
** (Please be prepared to inform the Examiners which order you choose)

CALL CHECK

3. Style Hair

CALL CHECK

When you call "CHECK", **please move away from your chair to the designated area.** When the examiner(s) has finished grading, you must immediately return to your chair and start the next procedure.

A maximum of one (1) hour and forty-five (45) minutes, including "checks", is allowed to complete the practical examination. Grade points will be deducted if the examiners conclude that your work is too slow.

A minimum grade of eighty percent (80%) is required to pass the practical examination.

WRITTEN EXAMINATION

The National written examination is a multiple choice test consisting of one hundred ten (110) questions relating to your overall knowledge of barbering. The test on the Kansas Rules and Regulations consists of twenty-five (25) questions. The first ten (10) questions are multiple choice and the remaining fifteen (15) questions are “true” or “false.”

A maximum of one (1) hour and thirty (30) minutes is allowed to complete the two (2) written examinations.

A minimum grade of eighty percent (80%) is required to pass the written examinations.

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO BE ON TIME AND TO INSURE THAT YOUR TWO MODELS ARE ALSO ON TIME.