



Contest Description

Hairstyling

Secondary

Date: April 16, 2026, 8:00 A.M.

Location: Yukon University, Gym

Duration of contest: 6 Hours

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1. SKILLS FOR SUCCESS FOR CAREERS IN SKILLED TRADES AND TECHNOLOGY

The Government of Canada has updated the previous Essential Skills framework to the new Skills for Success model in response to the evolving labour market and changing skill requirements. This model outlines nine fundamental skills Canadians need to thrive in work, education, training, and daily life.

Skills/Compétences Canada aims to highlight the importance of these skills, vital for success in trade and technology careers. Competitors can see how Skills for Success are integrated into contest descriptions, projects, and project documents. Recognizing these skills during the competition helps competitors match tasks with specific skills necessary for success and understand how these skills apply within their trade or technology programs and future careers.

The nine key Skills for Success, validated for workplace success, are:

1. Numeracy
2. Communication
3. Collaboration
4. Adaptability
5. Reading
6. Writing
7. Problem Solving
8. Creativity and Innovation
9. Digital

2. CONTEST INTRODUCTION

2.1. Description of the associated work role(s) or occupation(s):

https://www.skillscompetencescanada.com/en/skill_area/hairstyling/

2.2. Purpose of the Challenge

To enable the industry as well as observers to view the level of skills taught within the public, secondary and post-secondary programs and to encourage interaction between the various sectors. This relationship will ensure the skills gained by young hairstylists at all levels of training are geared to the demands of the beauty industry.

2.3. Duration of Contest

6 Hours. Competitors will begin at 9:00AM and have until 4:00PM to complete all of their tasks, including tidying their work station.

2.4. Skills and Knowledge to be Tested

- Project 1 - LADIES 3 WISHES CUT AND COLOUR
- Project 2 - TRADITIONAL MENS CUT

3. EQUIPMENT, MATERIAL, CLOTHING

3.1. Equipment and material provided by Skills Canada Yukon:

- Table
- Electrical outlet. Only one electrical tool may be plugged in at a time. (a maximum of 2500 watts can be used per electrical outlet)
- Tripods from Pivot Point
- Hair Mannequins from Pivot Point
- Color and developer if it is specifically asked for in the wishes
- Lightener and developer if are specifically required in the wishes
- Colour bowls and brushes, small scale for weighing product
- Black towels, cape
- Disinfectant spray
- Timer
- Smock or apron
- Vinyl gloves as needed.

3.2. Required Equipment & Clothing Provided by the Competitor

- Cutting implements
- Spray bottle
- Combs and brushes
- Clips
- Blow dryer
- Thermal tools
- Only one electric tool may be plugged in at a time.
- Competitors may not borrow from others during competition (excluding passing around the shared styling product provided)
- Use of headsets, cell phones, electronic devices etc. is not permitted unless special permission is given
- No cutting stools or trollies permitted
- Clean and comfortable work attire as would be worn by professionals working in a modern hair salon. Proper footwear must be worn, or competitors will not be allowed on the floor (closed toed shoes, no platform or high heeled shoes higher than 2 inches). Hosiery/socks must be worn at all times.

4. HEALTH & SAFETY

4.1. Safety Orientation

During orientation, Competitors will participate in a Safety workshop and they will be expected to work and maintain a safe working area during the competition.

List of required personal protective equipment (PPE) provided by Skills Canada Yukon:

- Vinyl gloves
- Face masks
- Hearing protection (if needed)

NOTE: Competitors who do not have the required protective equipment/clothing will not be allowed to participate in the competition

4.2. Field Level Risk Assessment

SCY will complete a Field Level Risk Assessment for every competition area in addition to a full walkthrough with a representative from Yukon Workers Safety and Compensation Board to identify potential hazards and create solutions. The primary goal of an FLRA is to identify and mitigate potential risks to ensure the safety of competitors.

5. ASSESSMENT

5.1. Point Breakdown

TASK	/100
Project 1 - LADIES 3 WISHES CUT AND COLOUR	/45
Project 2 - TRADITIONAL MENS CUT	/45
Health and Safety	/5
Client Care & Professionalism	/5

5.2. Qualifying for the Skills Canada National Competition

Competitors can secure a win in their specific competitions by demonstrating exceptional skills and abilities, and meeting or exceeding established evaluation criteria. However, qualification for the Skills Canada National Competition is not solely determined by winning at the territorial level.

The decision to advance further depends on additional factors, such as the National Technical Committee's (NTC) assessment and/or the judges' discretion, which may take into account specific criteria beyond just event performance. These additional criteria could encompass a competitor's adherence to safety protocols, ethical conduct, teamwork, or overall professionalism, ensuring that those who represent the Territory at the national level not only excel in their technical skills but also embody the values and standards upheld by Skills Canada.

***Please note:** Not all territorial contest areas are eligible for the Skills Canada National Competition. Please refer to the SCNC website to determine if your skill area/level is eligible to compete.

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

6.1. Competition Rules

Refer to the competition rules of the Skills Canada Yukon Territorial Competition which can be found on our website.

6.2. Ties

Tiebreaker #1: In the event of a tie, the candidate with the highest safety score will be declared the winner.

Tiebreaker #2: If a tie still remains, the competitor with the highest “Ladies 3 Wishes Cut and Colour” score will be declared the winner.

Tiebreaker #3: If a tie still remains, the competitor with the highest “Traditional Mens Cut” score will be declared the winner.

6.3. Accessibility & Accommodations

Skills Canada Yukon is committed to providing a barrier-free environment which allows everyone to participate in our programs and competitions. We strive to be fully inclusive to all manner of disabilities and identities. SCY provides the opportunity for any competitor to disclose a disability on our competition registration form. Requests for accommodations must be made at least 3 weeks prior to the competition date.

7. NATIONAL & TERRITORIAL TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

7.1. The Yukon Territorial Technical Committee member for Hairstyling is Jade Simonson. Email: bambooblond01@gmail.com

7.2. Please contact yukon@skillscanada.com with questions or concerns related to the competition.