

Are your acrylic skills assessment-ready?

Use this quick skills audit to identify the areas where your technical knowledge, consistency and client practice are strongest — and where you could improve.

HOW TO SCORE

Give yourself 0, 1 or 2 points for every statement.

0 = Not confident 1 = Somewhat confident 2 = Very confident

01 TECHNICAL FOUNDATION

01	I understand correct nail preparation and why each step matters.	0 1 2
02	I understand acrylic bead ratio and product control.	0 1 2
03	I understand apex, structure and stress areas.	0 1 2
04	I can explain why lifting can occur and how to reduce it.	0 1 2

02 APPLICATION & FINISH

05	I can create consistent bead placement and control my product.	0 1 2
06	I can create a balanced, durable acrylic structure.	0 1 2
07	I can file safely while maintaining shape and structure.	0 1 2
08	I can recognise when a finished set needs correction before the client leaves.	0 1 2

Total your points so far: ____ / 16

03 CLIENT PRACTICE & PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE

Continue your audit. Be honest — the value is in spotting the gaps.

09	I know when a client may not be suitable for an acrylic service.	0 1 2
10	I can explain aftercare clearly and confidently.	0 1 2
11	I understand how client consultation affects service safety.	0 1 2
12	I can explain the reasoning behind my technical decisions.	0 1 2
13	I can recognise common causes of service breakdown.	0 1 2
14	I feel confident discussing my acrylic knowledge with a client.	0 1 2

YOUR TOTAL

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WHAT YOUR SCORE SUGGESTS

0–12	BUILD	Focus on your foundations and keep developing your technical knowledge.
13–20	DEVELOP	You have a base to build on. Identify the areas where you lack consistency.
21–27	CONFIDENT	You appear strong across many areas. Keep refining your technique and knowledge.
28–32	ASSESSMENT-READY	You have strong confidence across this audit. A formal assessment could help you demonstrate what you know.

KEEP THIS CHECKLIST

Revisit it in 30 days and see where your confidence has changed.