



## GENERAL RULES

1. The Nailympion France Competition is open to any student or professional nail technician.
2. Competitors must respect all competition rules and regulations, and more generally comply with the usual standards of usual international nail competitions.
3. A competitor will be disqualified if he or she intentionally or recklessly registers in a lower division than he actually belongs to.
4. A competitor may be disqualified and rejected from future Nailympion competitions if caught cheating.
5. Competitors must report the division they are entering when they have completed the registration sheet. Once registered, the division cannot be changed without the permission of the head judge.
6. Competitors must enter the highest division their rating allows. They may take a different division in hands-on and boxes depending on their records in these competitions.
7. Due to the great international attendance and participation, the competition organizers will not be responsible for verifying that each competitor enters the correct division.
8. the organization of the competition reserve the right of admission.
9. Competition fees will not be refunded and are non-transferable.
10. All photos or videos recorded by the competition staff may be used and published on any paper or digital support (including website, social networks...) by The NAILYMPION FRANCE or BEAUTY PROFS organizations to promote the competition, without having to compensate competitors or models.
11. For hands-on competitions, competitors should come with models. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that his/her model meets the competition specific requirements.
12. Both competitors and models will have to be of legal age. If the competitor or the model is a minor, he or she must have an authorization letter signed by a parent or guardian that will be delivered at the time of starting the competition. It must be delivered at the competition table at the time of the set up.
13. Smoking or drinking alcoholic beverages is not allowed in the competition area.

*We recommend water or well-closed bottled drinks to avoid electrical inconveniences, candies, cereal bars for the competitor and the model for the long hours of continuous competition. Please always be respectful with the use of the table and the arena since another competitor could use your place later.*

14. Cell phones, tablets or computers of any kind may not be used during the competition by both competitors and models. Smartwatches of any kind that allow communication are also not allowed. Cell phones will only be allowed in airplane mode for those who want to use them as a stopwatch or clock on the table. The use of phones or devices for communication or viewing photos is strictly prohibited. Competitors may have cameras to take photos of their models once the competition has started. Competitors may have printouts of drawings for inspiration.

15. There will be no external communication with the competitors while the competition is in progress.

16. Competitors should not be in the competition area until the order is given and everything is ready. Only those competitors who are in the next match will be allowed to leave the table set up and clear the area until the arena judges resume the next match.

17. Competitors who do not understand English or the language of the host country must have their own translator.

18. The competition rules must have been translated to the competitor before the information session begins. The translator must ensure that the competitor has understood all the rules. Only the official rules of the NAILYMPION apply.

19. Translators will be allowed to enter the arena when communication with the competitor is necessary or during the briefing. **Before entering the competition arena, they must ask a floor judge.** The rest of the time, translators will be required to stay available outside of the arena in a designated area.

20. The organizers are not responsible if the competitor does not comply with or does not understand all the rules.

21. Only competitors and models can enter the competition area.

22. Each competition will have a 15 minute briefing before the the competition starts. Rules Will be read in english and in french during the briefing. Attending the briefing is mandatory.

23. Both competitors and models must be in the arena when the preparation time begins, 30 minutes before each competition.

24. During the briefing, it is allowed to put the products and tools that you are going to use on the table, but you are not allowed to touch your model's nails until the competition officially begins. If a competitor touches his model's nails from the end of the briefing to the beginning of the competition, there will be a 5 points penalty applied to his/her final score.

25. The models' nails will be checked by the floor judges before each competition begins, to ensure that no work has been done on nails. A 5 point deduction can be applied if the nails do not comply with the competition requirements.

26. In some cases, competitors are allowed to prepare forms or to manucure natural nails before the competition (Please check all competition rules individually to know what is

possible). But whatever the competition, it is strictly forbidden to apply nails with any type of work until the competition begins.

27. Competitors will be able to organize the material during the first 15 minutes of reading the rules. In the following 15 minutes they will not be able to take anything out of their briefcases without the authorization of an arena judge.

28. Competitors are not entitled to take any products or tools out of their bags, case or suitcase once the competition has started, excepted if they are allowed by a floor judge.

29. All nail products must be clearly labelled.

30. Competitors must bring their own electrical appliances such as table lamps, LED lamps, files, **extension cords and adapters to french sockets.**

31. Each competitor will have an electrical outlet.220 v (French plug). The organization reserves the right to deny any appliance that does not comply with safety rules (damaged appliance for example).

32. Competitors must bring their own nail products. Any brand is allowed.

**33. The use of templates, stencils, stamping, silicone molds or other similar products is strictly prohibited in all competitions.**

34. Once the competition time is over, competitors must **immediately** stop working and raise their hands. The model must get up and stand in line to be judged. They will be sorted by division.

**35. Competitors caught touching their models after the timer will have 10 points deducted from their final score.**

36. Models wearing visible tattoos (on the forearm or on hands) must cover them. It is the competitor's responsibility to bring the material required to cover the tattoos and to have them covered during the competition.

37. Models must not wear any jewelry on their hands or wrists.

38. The competitors are responsible for their model going to the judging area and explaining that he/she has to go through each and every one of the judges and go to the photo booth before leaving the competition area.

**39. Models must not leave the judging area until they have been fully judged.**

**40. The models that leave the judging area before being judged will be disqualified.** They will not be able to come back again. If the nails have been partially judged, those points will still be taken into account. It is the competitor's responsibility to explain the model he/she must go through the whole process without touching their hands nor his/her cell phone. **Competitors must not touch the models once they are in line for judgement.**

41. Any competitor who does not abide by the above rules will have his/her score subtracted. There will be at least a 1 point deduction or more if a stricter competition rule applies, and a warning. The next infraction will be penalized with a 5 point deduction and the third infraction will be cause for disqualification.

42. In any case of dispute or tie on the scores that affect places from 1 to 10, the decision will be determined by the Head Judge according to competition criteria.

43. The decisions of the Head Judge will be final and irrevocable.
44. The individual score sheets will be available to all competitors after the competition upon request.
45. In case a competition doesn't have at least three competitors, a record promedium from past competitions will be used to evaluate the nail work of the competitors. In case they are only 3 competitors, only one trophy will be given.
46. In the competition area, the use of any type of device or heat source that can cause damage that is used directly on the model during the application is prohibited.
47. The competitor may bring a drawer, organizer, basket or tray to put permitted products on the table.
48. The competitor can put all the necessary products in an open box placed on top of the suitcase. (Only permitted materials).
49. Once the briefing begins, the model's hands must be on the table.
50. Competitor must be present to compete in hands-on competitions and submitted.
51. During the competition, the competitor can listen to some music using headphones. We recommend a single headphone or low sound to hear the floor judges. Devices must not be visible, nor be intercom. Mp4, ipods and cell phones must be turned on airplane mode.
52. In this competition, we will consider all those products that need to be light-cured in a UV/LED lamp "gels", as opposed to all self-curing acrylic products.
53. Competitors and models can check in 1 hour before the exhibition doors open. At the entrance desk of the competition, the competitor will receive an envelope. It contains the box labels he/she must paste on their submitted works before giving them to the judges. There are also stickers for their models with a different identification number for each competition. **It is necessary that they take very good care of this material throughout the two days.**
54. There may be a 5 point deduction for violating of any of these rules.

## **SPECIFIC HANDS-ON RULES**

1. The use of the drill is allowed.
2. The use of oil is allowed. The use of oil for drill is allowed.
4. The use of nail polish dryer of all kinds is allowed.
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6. All manicure tools are allowed.
7. Curving tools, tweezers and any manicure tools to create a correct structure are allowed.

8. When forms are allowed, competitors are allowed to measure or cut the molds prior to the competition. Pasting double molds is allowed prior to the competition. Metal bases are allowed to be applied prior to the competition.

9. Soap and water are allowed. Wet towels are allowed.

10. All smile lines must be done by hand and competitor's pulse.

11. Gel competitors must bring their own UV/LED gel lamps.

12. Drills are allowed but each competitor must bring their own drill and the necessary power cords and adapters (compliant with french plug and 220 Volt electrical standard).

13. Chamois and polishing creams are allowed.

14. Chamois files are allowed both hand and drill files.

15. Tools such as pliers, pins and c-curve sticks are allowed.

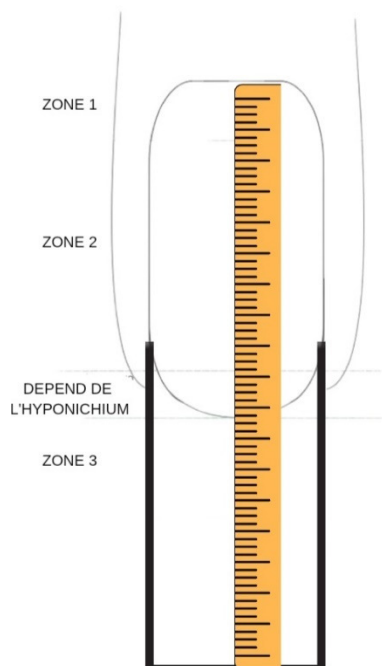
16. All products and utensils must be on the table before the competition begins.

17. All products must be properly labelled

18. Competitors who don't wait for the competition kick-off will be disqualified

19. Competitors must raise both hands at the competition end signal. Those who don't stop working immediately will get a penalty.

## MESURE GENERAL DES EPREUVES DE TABLES



LE POUCE ET  
L'AURICULAIRE DOIVENT  
ETRE IDENTIQUE

ET

L'INDEX, LE MAJEUR ET  
L'ANNULAIRE DOIVENT  
ETRE IDENTIQUE

Le conseil de Delphine : tous les ongles doivent avoir la même mesure, s'assurant d'avoir un chiffre rond.

Exemple 2,3 ou 4 centimètres, en effet si vous choisissez 2,4 par exemple, vous perdrez du temps à prendre les mesures

# Competition awards

## Division Winner

- There is one winner per division
- The award is open to all division (1.2.3 and First timer)
- **In order to qualify, competitors must at least participate in 3 hands-on competitions**
- If the competitors run for more than 3 competitions, the final score will be the sum of the **3 best hands-on competition scores**

## Grand Champion France 2023

- A unique award will be granted
- The award is open to the competitors of all divisions
- In order to qualify, competitors must at least participate in 6 hands-on competitions
- The final score will be the sum of the **6 best hands-on competition score**

## Team Trophy

- A unique award will be granted
- Each team includes a minimum of 3 competitors and a maximum of 6 competitors
- Only the teams regularly registered prior to the competition can run for the prize
- While registering individually, the team leader must register the team (choose "I Want to register a team") and enter the team name before other members go registering on line
- While registering individually on line, each team member must choose " I want to register as a team" and enter their team name
- No new team member will be added on arrival at the competition
- Members of the same team can belong to different divisions
- **Only hands-on competition points qualify for the Team Trophy**
- The final team score is the sum of the 3 best scores in each hands-on competition
- There must be at least one member in a french competition and one member in a nail art competition to qualify

# **SALON STYLE FRENCH**

## **Gel / acrylic extensions on forms or tips applied with salon style french manucure**

1. **It's a one hand competition**
2. Time allowed is **1.5 hours** (150 minutes)
3. All general rules / hands-on rules apply to this competition.
4. The competitor may use gel or acrylic.
5. Forms and tips are allowed.
6. Only natural or clear tips may be used (no white tips). Tips may be fitted and prepared but not applied prior to the competition.
7. Competitors are not allowed to pre-size or cut the forms prior to the start of the competition.
8. Doubling of forms is allowed.
9. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the form after the competition starts
10. All nails should be applied with a salon style French manicure (pink & white)
11. The white free edge should be 50% of the pink nail plate in order to get the maximum score
12. Products should be applied evenly with a distinct line between the white and pink colors
13. Length of nails should be of salon kind (no extreme length)
14. The shape of the free edge should imitate a natural nail. Soften squared free edges are allowed.
15. **No stiletto or Almond shapes are allowed.**
16. All nail should be similar in shape in order to get the maximum score.
17. A topcoat or gel sealer should be applied to get maximum brightness.
18. Oil is allowed.
19. Water and soap may be used to clean the model's hand. There should be no dust, product, water, oil or glue on the rear side of nails.
20. Electric files are allowed, but competitor must supply their own machine, electrical cords and adaptors.
21. Competitors should bring their own led or UV lamp.
22. Electric file oil and all types of buffing creams are allowed.
23. Chamois style buffers are allowed both by hand or machine.
24. Pinching tools, c-curve stick and all types of tools used to create a proper structure are allowed

**Total points :**

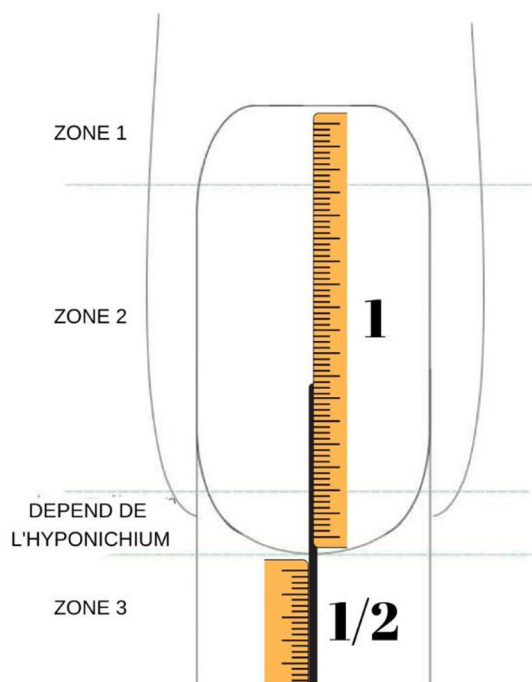
- **150 for divisions 1 et First Timer**
- **155 for division 2**
- **160 for division 3**

**Criteria :**

convex 10, concave 10, arch and apex 10, form or tip fit application 10, free edge thickness 10, sidewalls 10, lateral side extension 10, c-curve 10, nail shape 10, surface smoothness 10, length 10, high shine finish 5, product control 5, polish application 5, cuticle area 10, underside 10,

Smile : 5 points for division 1 et First Timers, 10 points for divisions 2, et 15 points for division 3.

## salon style french



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# STILETTO NAIL ART

## *Gel/ acrylic design on chablon nails with artwork*

1. All general / hands-on rules apply to this competition
2. **It's a one hand competition**
3. **Total time allowed for this competition is 2 hours**
4. **This is a one hand competition.**
5. The competition will be marked using various criteria, from the technical aspects of nail structure, to artwork, creativity and combination of colors.
6. The nails should have a traditional Stiletto shape (with the tip of the nail coming to a fine point). No other shape is allowed.
7. The competitor is allowed to choose to sculpt with gel or acrylic
8. The nails must be sculpted with forms. Tips are not allowed
9. Any colors are allowed including glitter.
10. All nails should be applied with nail art.
11. The nail art theme is free. The application can be designed to the competitor's desire and ability.
12. Artwork can be applied inside the application or on top of the nails (no more than 5 millimeters in height).
13. The competitor may use all types of paint, rhinestones or bullion.
14. The hand painting will only count for 20% in the total score of all artistic criteria.
15. Artwork must be created during the competition (pre-made elements and decals of any kind should not be used).
16. Gel sealers or top coat must be applied.
17. Water and soap may be used to clean the model's hand. There should be no dust, product, water, oil or glue on the rear side of nails.
18. Electric files are allowed.
19. Oil is allowed.
20. Electric file oil is allowed.
21. Pinching tools, c-curve sticks and all types of tools used to create a proper structure can be used.
22. The natural nail may be prepared up to the primer application
23. The competitors are not allowed to pre-size or cut the forms prior to the start of the competition.
24. Doubling of forms is allowed.

25. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the forms after the competition starts

**Total points : 95 points (all divisions)**

**Criteria :**

convex 5, concave 5, arch and apex 5 free, edge thickness 5, sidewalls 5, lateral side extension 5, surface smoothness 5, uniformity of nail shape 5, length 5, underside 5, cuticle area 5, product control 5, high shine 5 , creativity of design 10, total impression 10, level of difficulty 10.

# BABY BOOMER

***Gel/ acrylic design on chablon nails or tips***

***Applied with babyboomer style manicure***

1. All general/ hands-on Rules apply
2. **The time allowed is 1.5 hours (90 minutes).**
3. **The competition is one hand only.**
4. The Babyboomer artwork consists in creating a shaded effect with a gradient from the colored basis to the free white edge.
5. All nails must be similar in shape and application of colors.
6. Gel and acrylic are allowed.
7. All shades of white, clear and transparent pink are allowed.
8. Products with a pearl or glittering effect are allowed.
9. The nail length should be salon style. No extreme length is expected.
10. Allowed shapes are : rounded square, ballerina, oval and almond.
11. All pinch tools are allowed.
12. Tips and forms are allowed.
13. Tip colors must be natural or transparent (white tips are forbidden).
14. Tips can be prepared prior to the competition but not applied on nails.
15. The competitors are allowed to pre-size or cut the forms prior to the competition.
16. Doubling of forms is allowed.
17. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the forms prior to the competition
18. A top coat or sealer must be applied
19. Water and soap may be used to clean the model's hand. There should be no dust, product, water, oil or glue on the rear side of nails.
20. Electric files are allowed.
21. Oil is allowed
22. Electric file oil is allowed

**Total points : 75 points (all divisions)**

**Criteria :**

surface smoothness 5, brilliance 5, shaded degraded (ombre dégradé) 5, underside 5, arch and apex location 5, uniformity of shape 5, form or tip or capsules fit 5, cuticle area 5, convex 5, concave 5, sidewalls 5, lateral side extension 5, free edge thickness (1,5mms)5, c-curve 5, length 5.

# GEL FRENCH SCULPTURED

## Gel extensions designed on forms applied with french manucure style

1. **It's a one hand competition**
2. Time allowed is **1.5 hours** (90 minutes)
3. All general rules / hands-on rules apply to this competition.
4. This competition is about traditional pink and white "French" style. Competitors must **only use the following colors : white, transparent pink, cover pink, clear (transparent)**
5. This is not a "salon" style competition. Nails should be sculpted very thin : maximum allowed is 1.5 millimeter (measured at the free edge center). The structure should be well contoured within the interior (concave) and exterior (convex) and the tip of the free edge should have a symmetric and concentric shape ( c-curve) in the structure.
6. Expected nail shape is **extreme square**. No other shape is allowed in this competition.
7. The competitor must use **only traditional gel**. No other product is allowed in nail design.
8. The smile line should be designed in the traditional manner, using the **reverse technique**. Competitors are not allowed to use painting, gel paint or white polish to create the smile.
9. **Only chablon nails** are allowed. Competitors must use forms, not tips.
10. Forms may be prepared and pre-sized before the competition
11. Doubling forms is allowed
12. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the forms prior to the competition
13. A top coat or sealer must be applied in order to get a high shine result.
14. Glue is not allowed. In order to avoid warning or penalty, no glue should be displayed on the competitor's table
15. Drill is allowed
16. Oil and drill oil are allowed. Oil should not be flow, be in excess or remain on the underside
17. The nail underside should be clean (no dust, excess product). The competitor may use water and soap, or pressurized air, in order to clean the model's hand
18. Pinching tools, C-curve sticks and all traditional manicure tools are allowed

### Total points :

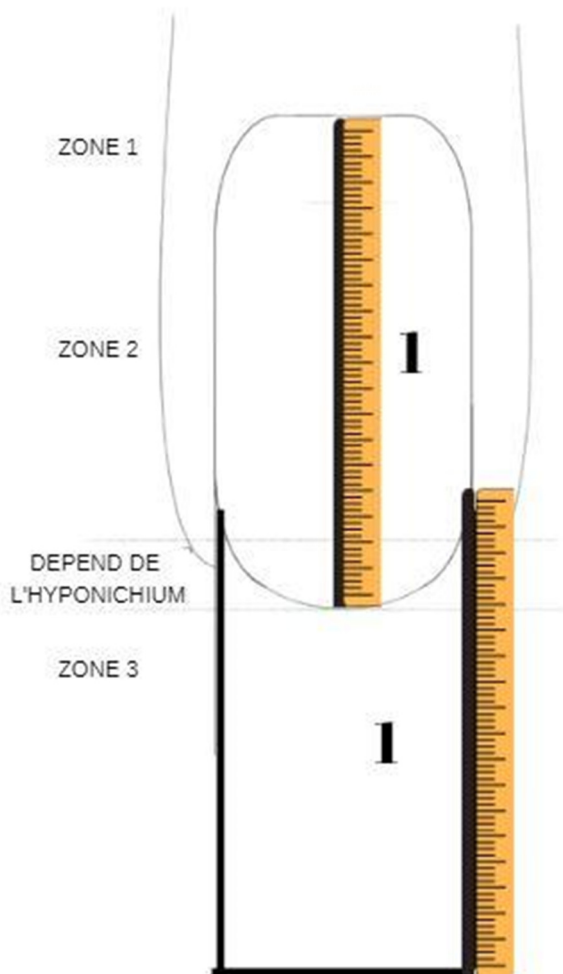
- **150 for divisions 1 et First Timer**
- **155 for division 2**
- **160 for division 3**

### Criteria :

high shine 5, product control 5, surface smoothness 10, underside 10, arch apex 10, nail shape 10, form fit 10, cuticle area 10, convex 10, concave 10, sidewalls 10, lateral side extension 10, free edge thickness 10, c-curve 10, length 10.

Smile : 5 points for division 1 et First Timers, 10 points for divisions 2, et 15 points for division 3.

## FRENCH GEL SCULPTURED



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# ULTIMATE NAIL ART

## *3D artwork design*

1. **Total time allowed is 7 hours.**
2. Description of the competition is a long running event where the competitor must create a set of nails that have all types of nail art including; 3D acrylic, flat art with gels and/ or acrylic paint, structured nails with unique shapes and styles on models.
3. Time allowed: the competitors will have 7 hours to complete their work. The first day is 4 hours without models present while all 3d work will be created.
4. The second part of the challenge is on the last day. The models will be present and there will be 2 hours to apply the nails on the 1 hand to be applied. There will be a one hour break for judging and the remanding 1 hour after the break will be with models present for the 3d artwork to be applied and added to the top surface. There will be a second judging.
5. Flat art, foils, glitters, flocking, crushed shells, confetti and rhinestones are allowed for extra effect.
6. NO pre-made art such as Fimo or machine-made shapes of any kind.
7. Theme is of the competitors choosing. Theme will be judged based on the cohesive collaboration of artistry and style. There is not an actual theme required. For example; Alice in Wonderland. The theme should have a style and design that represents the competitor's unique style.
8. The models nails should have a unique and new modern style shape. Example; edge, stiletto, or pipe.
9. The models nails may be applied with acrylic or gel but must be sculpted. All colors and type of acrylic and gel are allowed.
10. The nails may be applied however the competitor chooses.
11. The model's nails will be scored in the same manner as any other structured nail competitions it has a unique shape. Example; French twist, design stiletto & design sculpture.
12. Artwork may be applied into the structured nail and on the surface.
13. Flat artwork of all kinds with all types of flat art mediums are allowed.
14. Gel sealers and topcoats are allowed.
15. Use of electric files are allowed.
16. The competitor may not use any of their own pre-made work.
17. All commonly used items needed for 3D sculpting are allowed. Example: wire, aluminum, pipe cleaners.
18. Oil is allowed.
19. Electric file oil is allowed.
20. Pinching tools, C-curve sticks and all types of tools used to create a proper structure are allowed.

21. Competitors are allowed to pre-size or cut the forms prior to the start of the competition. Doubling of forms is allowed. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the form prior to the competition
22. All products and tools will be inspected by a floor judge prior to the competition.
23. The Nail Art Challenge accounts for 2 competitions in trophy requirements
24. All general rules apply in this competition.

**Total possible points : 245.**

**Criteria :** convex 5,concave 5, arch and apex 5, free edge thickness 5, sidewalls 5, lateral side extension 5, surface smoothness 5, uniformity of nail shape 5, length 5, underside 5, cuticle area, 5 product control 5, high shine 5, use of color 20, continuity of theme 10, graphic quality 10, clarity of design 20, originality 20, media 10, overall workmanship 10, creativity 10, level of difficulty 20, balance 10, composition 10, presentation 10, 3d presentation 20.

# ONE TONE

## *Chablon nails, square shape only, one tone color*

1. All general Rules/ Hands on rules apply
2. **The competition is one hand only.**
1. **The time allowed is 1 hour (60 minutes).**
2. This is a technical only competition without any nail art or decoration.
3. The nail extension should be between 1 and 1.5 centimeters.
4. Gel and acrylics are allowed.
5. The nails should be applied with a cover gel or with any gel with solid, natural or neutral color.
6. Only one tone is allowed all over the hand.
7. The nail design should be very thin. Thickness should not exceed 1.5 mm in the center of the free edge.
8. The competition is focused on designing a perfect nail structure between convex and concave. The free edge must be designed in a symmetrical way and perfectly curved. The C-Curve will be evaluated.
9. The shape should be square (no other shape allowed).
10. Only forms are allowed (using tips is forbidden).
11. All pinching tools and C-Curve sticks are allowed.
12. The competitors are allowed to pre-size or cut the forms prior to the competition.
13. Doubling of forms is allowed.
14. Metal supports are allowed and can be added to the forms prior to the competition
15. A top coat or sealer must be applied to get maximum shininess
16. Glue is not allowed. No glue should be on the competitor's table to avoid penalty.
17. Water and soap or pressurized air may be used to clean the model's hand. There should be no dust, product, water or oil on the nail underside.
18. Electric files are allowed.
19. Using oil is allowed but there will be penalty if oil is apparent.
20. Electric file oil is allowed
21. All criteria listed above will be scored.

**Total possible points : 125**

### **Criteria :**

Concave 10, Convex 10, apex 10, form fit 10, nail shape 10, thickness (1.5mm) 10, sidewalls 10, lateral extension 10, c-curve 10, length 5, high shine 10, cuticule area 10, underside 10.



# FREE STYLE ART MANUCURE

## *Salon style manucure with extensions and nail art*

1. **Total time allowed is 1.5 hours (one hand)**
2. Forms or tips are allowed to build nail extensions
3. Nails can be applied with gel or acrylic
4. The natural nails can be prepared until the application of a primer
5. The competitors can cut and pre-size forms or tips before the competition but are not allowed to apply them on the model's nails
6. Any salon style nail shape is allowed
7. The competitor can create any kind of nail decoration, using painting, gel or acrylics. Rhine stones are also allowed.
8. The artwork can be integrated in the nail structure (reverse technique) or applied on top of the nail construction. In the later case, the artwork should not be thicker than 5 millimeters.
9. Any color is allowed, including shimmer and glitter.
10. All nail art elements must be handcrafted during the competition. Stamping and premade elements are not allowed.
11. A top coat or sealer must be applied to get maximum shininess
12. Oil is allowed. Electric fles and oil for electric files are allowed.
13. Pinching tools, C Curve sticks and all manucure tools may be used to create a perfect nail structure
14. The final score will be based both on technical and art criteria
15. Nail structure will be juged with salon style criteria
16. Artwork will be juged upon creativity, design difficulty and fair use of color

**Total points : 105**

