



## **PATCH TESTING**

### **What is a patch test and why is it so important?**

The test delivers a small amount of product to your body. It allows you and your stylist to monitor and check the area for any signs of a reaction. A patch test gives us the opportunity to identify an allergy before you're fully exposed to the products.

Unfortunately, there are no guarantees to any patch test. Our bodies can develop an allergy to any ingredient at any time, regardless of previous exposure. However, that doesn't make the test any less important. Patch Testing is for your safety and convenience.

### **How do I receive a patch test?**

We want you to be as safe as possible during and after your brow treatment. We understand that having a post-able patch test is much easier for you than visiting us 48 hours before your course. Your trainer can offer to post your patch test to you. Some salons may offer you a 'Topical Patch Test'. This is where they apply a blob of the dye to your arm. Don't be concerned, this method of Patch Testing is also recommended by us and our manufacturers. The post-able transfer tests have been designed for convenience rather than a must-use method.

### **What is the Brows patch testing policy?**

Our policy is strict. You must complete a patch test before receiving a treatment.

If you have had treatments in the past and forgotten to apply your Patch Test, your stylist should have refused to tint you during that appointment.

That's because we (and your trainer) want to keep you safe and comfortable. You may have seen pictures of serious reactions to eyebrow tint procedures online or in newspapers before; this is what we are trying to help you avoid.

## **Your safety is our top priority**

Patch testing and other risk prevention action, such as completing a Client Record Card before every treatment, is designed with your safety in mind. You and your safety our top priority.

It follows the best industry standards and guidelines from the top beauty insurers. Make sure you follow the advice of your certified Brows Stylist/trainer, they're looking out for you.

If you are unsure about whether you are required to have a patch test, either before a treatment or whether you are about to start a training course, please contact us today to discuss.

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