

# Salon French - Traditional

## RULES & GUIDELINES

1. Competitors have 1 hour to extend one hand
2. Salon styled French Pink and white nails are to be created with the Thumb and the pinky painted in Red.
3. Competitors may use Hard Gel or Acrylic to create the enhancement.
4. Cover pinks are allowed. No shimmer or glitter
5. The thumb and the pinkie nails are to be finished in a solid red polish with no shimmers, glitters, pearls or frosts. Red gel polish is allowed.
6. Gel topcoats and sealers are allowed.
7. The free edge may be created in your choice of square, round, almond etc. no extreme shapes. The set must reflect a salon shape that suits the model's hand.
8. The smile line is to be built using white acrylic or white hard gel. No gel polish/paint, the smile line must be built not painted on.
9. Forms or Tips may be used to extend the nails; however only natural or clear tips are to be used. No white tips.
10. The natural nails can and may be prepared prior to the competition ready for application of the product.
11. Tips may be pre-sized and prepared ready for application.
12. Forms may be pre-cut ready for application.
13. E-files are allowed.
14. Pinching tools, c-curve sticks are allowed.
15. All general rules apply.
16. Total of 70 points.



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## JUDGING CRITERIA - PART 1

### Surface Curvature

The entire nail surface should be symmetrical with no uneven areas.

### Under Nail Curvature

Is the underside of the nail curve smooth and symmetrical.

### Nail Apex

Is the apex in the correct position for the structure of the nail. Making sure it does not appear too subtle or too apparent.

### Tip or Form fit

Has the form or tip been applied correctly to the nail, there should be no gaps or excess product where the tip/form meet the natural nail. The tip placement should be flush with the lateral nail fold. The extension should not drop down nor taper upward.

### Free edge

Is there a consistent thickness of the free edge across all 5 fingers no thicker than 1.5 mm.

### Sidewalls

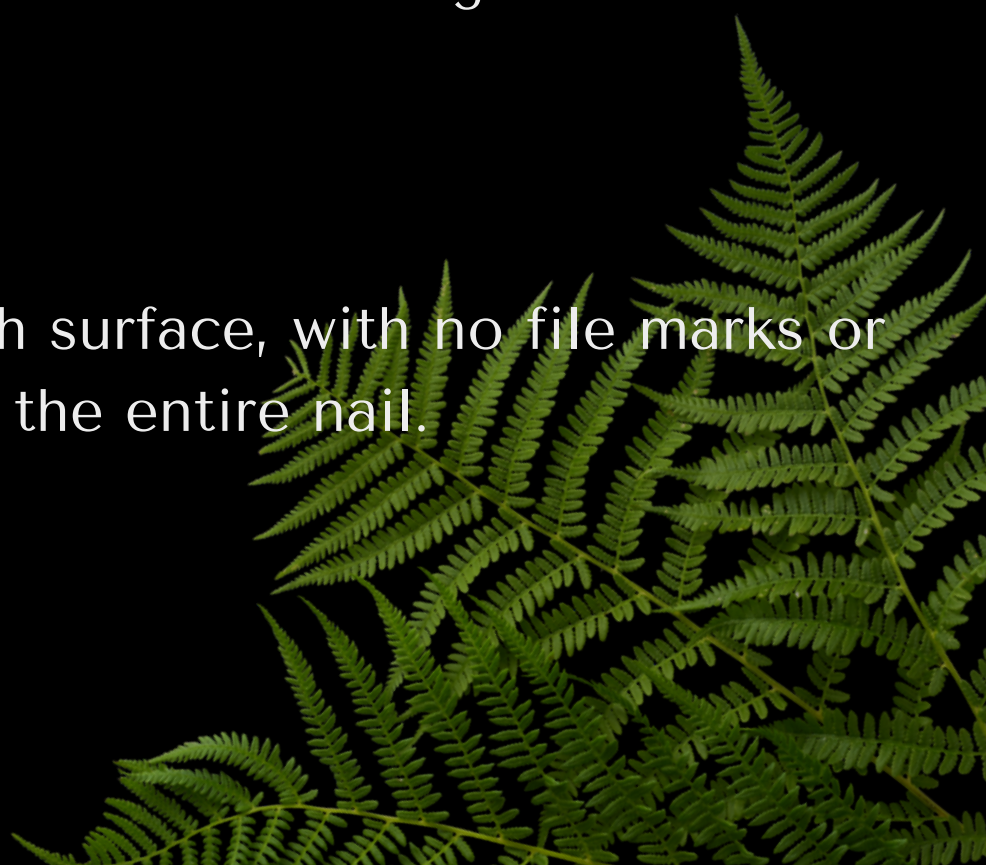
Does the sidewall of the nail extend straight from the lateral nail fold. Is it even on both sides when looking down the barrel of the nail. the sides of the free edge should feel smooth and filed cleanly.

### Nail Shape

Is the nail shape consistent and uniform across all 5 fingers.  
Straight from the nail

### Smoothness

Does the Nail have a completely smooth surface, with no file marks or rough patches. Does the Topcoat cover the entire nail.





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## JUDGING CRITERIA PART 2

### Nail Length

Are all nails the same length.

The nails will be measured from cuticle to free edge.

Nails finished in a French will also be measured from cuticle to the center of the smile line and then the tip of the smile line to the free edge, to check uniform of French ratios.

### High Shine

Do the nails have a glass like finish. Reflective over the surface of the nail with no dull or flat spots. Has any inhibition layer been completely removed.

### Product Control

Are the products applied evenly with no shadows or dull spots.

Is there a solid division of color at the smile line.

Is there excess product on the skin. Is the nail bubble and/or pitting free.

### Polish Application

The polish should have at least 2 coats with no streaks and be applied smoothly covering the entire cuticle area near the proximal fold. There must be no polish on the skin or the underside of the nail.

### Cuticles

No new cuts or abrasions on the surrounding skin. The product is applied smoothly to the nail surface with no ridge or gaps.

### Under Nail

Is the Nail free of dust, debris or excess nail product. Is it smooth with no ridges.

### Smile line

Is the smile line even and crisp. Does the smile line look uniform across all exposed nails.



# Competition Divisions



## Floor

### NOVICE

never competed in a floor comp

### OPEN

Anyone who has competed on floor in a recognised competition

### MASTERS

Anyone who has placed first in open or higher in a recognised competition.

Limited spaces





# Placings

**1st Place**

**2nd Place**

**3rd Place**

**Highest Score**

Highest score percent achieved overall.

**Overall Winner**

Highest combined score when all Categories are entered.  
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