



SUMMARY OF A GUIDE TO THE PERFECT CURE

- Only use lamps manufactured by the gel polish you have chosen.
- Know before you enter the salon how long each coat should cure for.
- The average “over-curing” time is 3 times more than necessary.
- That’s a lot!!!



OUR 5-Step Guide to the Perfect Cure

Why the Perfect Cure?

All gel nail products are carefully designed SYSTEMS where the correct UV Lamp, Base, Color and Top coat all play an important role in achieving a long lasting, resilient, shiny and easily removed Gel Nail Service. They are formulated to work TOGETHER.

Using the entire system and Curing each layer for exactly the right length of time is very important!



The following pages contain the cure times recommended by the manufacturers of the lamps listed. Start today by providing a powerful uv shield (YouVeeShield!) to shield your customer's skin. This professional tool and the application of the correct curing times for each system you use will insure your customers leave your salon with beautiful nails and the knowledge you cared enough to provide a completely professional, well executed service!

CND SHELLAC Brand 14+Day Nail Color

1. CND Shellac Base Coat

CND SHELLAC LIGHT	36 WATTS	10 SECONDS
CND SHELLAC LED 3C TECHNOLOGY	36 WATTS	10 SECONDS

2. CND Shellac Color

CND SHELLAC LIGHT	36 WATTS	2 MINUTES
CND SHELLAC LED 3C TECHNOLOGY	36 WATTS	60 SECONDS

3. CND Shellac UV Top Coat

CND SHELLAC LIGHT	36 WATTS	2 MINUTES
CND SHELLAC LED 3C TECHNOLOGY	36 WATTS	60 SECONDS



GELCOLOR by OPI

OPI MANUFACTURES TWO LAMPS – AXXIUM UV LIGHT & OPI LED LIGHT. THEIR GELS CURE UNDER BOTH LAMPS, UV & LED, ACCORDING TO THEIR INSTRUCTIONS (YOU SHOULD NOTE THE WATTAGE IS NOT TYPICAL OF OTHER LAMPS, THEREFORE, CAUTION SHOULD BE USED CURING WITH OTHER MANUFACTURED LAMPS).

1. GELCOLOR by OPI Base Coat

OPI LED LIGHT

40 WATTS

30 SECONDS

AXXIUM UV LIGHT

35 WATTS

1 MINUTE

2. GEL COLOR by OPI

OPI LED LIGHT

40 WATTS

30 SECONDS

AXXIUM UV LIGHT

35 WATTS

2 MINUTES

3. GEL COLOR by OPI Top Coat

OPI LED LIGHT

40 WATTS

30 SECONDS

AXXIUM UV LIGHT

35 WATTS

3 MINUTES

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GELISH

GELISH SOAK OFF GEL POLISH & MINI GELISH COLOR GELS by GELISH

BOTH PRODUCTS CURE THE SAME TIME FRAMES. SEE BELOW FOR THE DIFFERENT TIMES BASED ON THE LAMP USED TO CURE. GELISH ALSO STATES THEIR POLISH CAN BE CURED IN AN UV LAMP, ALTHOUGH THEY ONLY MAKE LED LAMPS.

I HAVE LISTED THOSE TIMES AS WELL.

1. GELISH FOUNDATION GEL BASE COAT

GELISH MINI PRO LED CURING LIGHT	6 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH 5-45 LED LIGHT	18 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 6G	36 WATTS	10 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 18G	36 WATTS	5 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 9G	45 WATTS	10 SECONDS
UV LAMP	36 WATTS	1 MINUTE

2. GELISH SOAK OFF POLISH

GELISH MINI PRO LED CURING LIGHT	6 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH 5-45 LED LIGHT	18 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 6G	36 WATTS	30 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 18G	36 WATTS	20 SECONDS*
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 9G	45 WATTS	30 SECONDS
UV LAMP	36 WATTS	2 MINUTES

3. GELISH TOP IT OFF TOP IT OFF GEL SEALER

GELISH MINI PRO LED CURING LIGHT	6 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH 5-45 LED LIGHT	18 WATTS	45 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 6G	36 WATTS	30 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 18G	36 WATTS	30 SECONDS
HARMONY GELISH LED PROFESSIONAL 9G	45 WATTS	30 SECONDS
UV LAMP	36 WATTS	2 MINUTES

*30 SECONDS FOR DARK COLORS

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ARTISTIC NAIL DESIGN

ARTISTIC COLOR GLOSS by ARTISTIC NAIL DESIGN

COMPANY MANUFACTURERS LED PRO 30 LIGHT. ALSO LISTS UV CURING TIMES, ALTHOUGH THEY DO NOT MANUFACTURE AN UV LAMP.

1. SOAK OFF BONDING GEL

ARTISTIC LED PRO LIGHT
UV LAMP

30 WATTS

10 SECONDS

36 WATTS

1 MINUTE

2. SOAK OFF GEL NAIL COLOUR

ARTISTIC LED PRO LIGHT
UV LAMP

30 WATTS

30 SECONDS

36 WATTS

2 MINUTES

3. SOAK OFF GLOSSING NAIL GEL

ARTISTIC LED PRO LIGHT
UV LAMPS

30 WATTS

20 SECONDS

36 WATTS

1 MINUTE

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ESSIE GEL by ESSIE

ESSIE MANUFACTURERS ONE LED LAMP, ESSIE-GEL PRO LED LAMP.

1. ESSIE GEL by ESSIE Base Coat

ESSIE-GEL PRO LED LAMP

36 WATTS

30 SECONDS

2. ESSIE GEL COLOR

ESSIE-GEL PRO LED LAMP

36 WATTS

30 SECONDS

3. ESSIE GEL by ESSIE Top Coat

ESSIE-GEL PRO LED LAMP

36 WATTS

60 SECONDS

I could not find any information pertaining to whether Essie's Gels will cure in a UV lamp.

ALTHOUGH I HAVE PROVIDED CURING TIMES ABOVE FOR GEL POLISHES (ARTISTIC NAIL DESIGN & GELISH) UNDER LAMPS NOT MADE BY THE MANUFACTURERS, I AM IN NO WAY SUGGESTING ANYONE SHOULD USE LAMPS NOT SPECIFICALLY MANUFACTURED FOR THE GEL POLISH BEING USED. I RECOMMEND NOT DOING THIS, AS INSIDE THE VERY MANUFACTURER'S INSTRUCTIONS OF EACH OF THESE LAMPS, IT SPECIFICALLY STATES TO ONLY CURE GEL POLISH INTENDED FOR THAT SPECIFIC LAMP. HOWEVER, AS I AM AWARE THIS IS RARELY FOLLOWED & THE MANUFACTURER'S THEMSELVES LIST CURING TIMES FOR LAMPS THEY DO NOT EVEN MANUFACTURE WHICH WOULD TECHNICALLY MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR THEM TO DETERMINE THE CORRECT CURING TIMES, I AM PASSING THIS INFORMATION ALONG, ALBEIT, RELUCTANTLY.

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