QUEENSLAND · RPL + GAP TRAINING

GET QUALIFIED FOR THE SKILLS YOU ALREADY HAVE

NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING

SHB30516 Certificate III in Barbering through the Trade Skills Assessment and Gap Training (TSAGT) program

Already working as a barber but don't hold a formal qualification? TSAGT is a Queensland Government subsidised program for experienced workers. It recognises the skills you already have through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), then fills any gaps with targeted training so you can complete your full Certificate III in Barbering.

HOW IT WORKS

01

RPL assessment

We assess your skills and experience against the qualification. At least 60% of the units must be recognised through RPL. No fee.

02

Gap training

You complete training in the remaining units, up to 40% of the qualification. A small co-contribution fee applies.

03

Get qualified

Once all units are complete, you receive your nationally recognised SHB30516 Certificate III in Barbering.

Under TSAGT you must complete both RPL and gap training. The qualification can't be completed through RPL or credit transfer alone. Completion through TSAGT does not include a trade completion certificate.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

You must meet all of the following:

- ✓ Aged 21 years or older
- ✓ A permanent Queensland resident
- ✓ An Australian citizen, permanent resident (including humanitarian entrant), New Zealand citizen, or temporary resident with the right visa and work permits on the pathway to permanent residency
- ✓ Several years of relevant, current barbering industry experience
- ✓ Able to complete at least 60% of the units through RPL, needing no more than 40% gap training
- ✓ Not currently an apprentice or trainee
- ✓ Not completed a trade qualification in the same industry area within the last 10 years
- ✓ Committed to completing the entire qualification through TSAGT

WHAT DOES IT COST?

$0

RPL ASSESSMENT

No student or co-contribution fees

$1.60

GAP TRAINING

Per nominal hour, for each gap unit

You only pay for the units you complete through gap training. For example, if your gap training includes SHBHCUT012 Shave heads and faces (25 nominal hours), your fee for that unit is 25 × $1.60 = $40.00. No participant groups are exempt from gap training fees. Fees are set by the Queensland Department of Trade, Employment and Training (DTET) and reviewed each year. See page 2 for the fee for every unit.

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SHB30516 CERTIFICATE III IN BARBERING

UNITS & GAP TRAINING FEES

Units recognised through RPL are free. The fee below only applies to the units you complete through gap training (no more than 40% of the qualification), at $1.60 per nominal hour.

UNIT CODE	UNIT NAME	NOM. HRS	GAP FEE
SHBHBAS001	Provide shampoo and basin services	40	$64.00
SHBXCCS002	Provide salon services to clients	40	$64.00
SHBHCUT001	Design haircut structures	20	$32.00
SHBXWHS001	Apply safe hygiene, health and work practices	40	$64.00
SHBHIND001	Maintain and organise tools, equipment and work areas	20	$32.00
BSBSUS201	Participate in environmentally sustainable work practices	20	$32.00
SHBXIND001	Comply with organisational requirements within a personal services environment	30	$48.00
SHBXIND002	Communicate as part of a salon team	30	$48.00
SHBHIND002	Research and use hairdressing industry information	45	$72.00
SHBHCUT002	Create one length or solid haircut structures	30	$48.00
SHBHCUT003	Create graduated haircut structures	35	$56.00
SHBHCUT004	Create layered haircut structures	35	$56.00
SHBHCUT005	Cut hair using over-comb techniques	30	$48.00
SHBHCUT007	Create combined traditional and classic men's haircut structures	45	$72.00
SHBHCUT009	Cut hair using freehand clipper techniques	25	$40.00
SHBHCUT011	Design and maintain beards and moustaches	20	$32.00
SHBHCUT012	Shave heads and faces	25	$40.00
SHBHTRI001	Identify and treat hair and scalp conditions	25	$40.00
SHBXCCS001	Conduct salon financial transactions	30	$48.00
SHBHCUT013	Provide men's general grooming services	25	$40.00
SHBHDES001	Dry hair to shape	40	$64.00
SIRRINV001	Receive and handle retail stock	35	$56.00
SHBXCCS004	Recommend products and services	20	$32.00
SIRRMER001	Produce visual merchandise displays	35	$56.00
SHBHCUT010	Create haircuts using tracks and carving	30	$48.00
SHBHIND003	Develop and expand a client base	35	$56.00
ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES			
SHBHCLS002	Colour and lighten hair	65	$104.00
SHBHCLS003	Provide full and partial head highlighting treatments	45	$72.00
SHBHCLS004	Neutralise unwanted colours and tones	55	$88.00
SHBHCLS005	Provide on scalp full head and retouch bleach treatments	55	$88.00
SHBHCUT006	Create combined haircut structures	45	$72.00
SHBHBAS002	Provide head, neck and shoulder massages for relaxation	20	$32.00
SHBHCCS001	Plan hair services for special events	20	$32.00

Fees are set by DTET under the TSAGT Program Policy 2026–28 and may change when reviewed each year.

HOW TO GET STARTED

1. Contact us

Call 1800 431 327 or email courses@thebarberacademy.com.au to register your interest

2. Eligibility check

We confirm you meet the TSAGT criteria

3. RPL assessment

We assess your skills and evidence

4. Gap training

Complete your remaining units and get qualified