SOP: Emergency Response and Salon Safety Protocols

This SOP details **emergency response and salon safety protocols**, encompassing fire safety measures, chemical handling and storage guidelines, electrical equipment safety, first aid procedures, evacuation plans, and client and staff safety practices. The objective is to maintain a safe salon environment by minimizing risks, ensuring quick and effective emergency responses, and protecting the health and well-being of both employees and clients.

1. Fire Safety Measures

- 1. Install and maintain smoke detectors, fire extinguishers, and fire blankets in easily accessible locations.
- 2. Ensure all staff are trained in the operation of fire extinguishing equipment and the use of fire exits.
- 3. Conduct bi-annual fire drills for all staff.
- 4. Keep all fire exits and escape routes clear and unobstructed at all times.
- 5. Store flammable products away from heat sources and electrical outlets.
- 6. Immediately report any hazards or malfunctioning fire safety equipment to management.

2. Chemical Handling and Storage Guidelines

- 1. Label all chemical products clearly with their content, hazard symbols, and handling instructions.
- 2. Keep Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) accessible for all chemicals and train staff on their use.
- 3. Store chemicals in designated, ventilated areas away from food, electrical sources, and direct sunlight.
- 4. Wear appropriate PPE (gloves, masks, safety glasses) when handling chemicals.
- 5. Ensure proper disposal of chemical waste in accordance with local regulations.

3. Electrical Equipment Safety

- 1. Inspect all electrical equipment and cords regularly for frays, exposed wires, or damage.
- 2. Use only properly grounded outlets and surge protectors for high-powered devices.
- 3. Switch off and unplug all equipment after use and during cleaning.
- 4. Never operate electrical devices with wet hands or near water.
- 5. Report malfunctioning equipment immediately and remove it from service until repaired.

4. First Aid Procedures

- 1. Maintain a stocked first aid kit in a clearly labeled and accessible area.
- 2. Appoint and train designated first aid responders on staff.
- 3. For **minor injuries** (cuts, burns):
 - Stop service immediately and provide appropriate treatment.
 - Use disposable gloves when treating open wounds.
 - Dispose of contaminated materials safely.
- 4. For major injuries or incidents:
 - Call emergency services immediately (Dial 911).
 - Stay with the individual and provide care within the limits of your training.
 - Inform management and complete an incident report.

5. Evacuation Plans

- 1. Display evacuation maps in multiple visible locations throughout the salon.
- 2. Assign evacuation responsibilities (e.g., headcount, assisting clients with mobility issues).
- 3. On hearing the fire alarm, staff must guide all clients calmly to the nearest exit.
- 4. Do not use elevators during evacuation.
- 5. Rendezvous at the designated assembly point for headcount and further instructions.

6. Client and Staff Safety Practices

- 1. Sanitize tools, workstations, and surfaces between clients.
- 2. Maintain clear, dry floors to prevent slips, trips, and falls.
- 3. Report and address hazards (wet floors, broken glass, spills) immediately.

- 4. Wear suitable, non-slip footwear and protective uniforms.
- 5. Maintain good personal hygiene standards for all personnel.

7. Emergency Contact Information

Service	Contact Number
Fire Department	911
Police	911
Medical Emergency	911
Poison Control	1-800-222-1222
Building Management	[Insert Local Number]

8. Training and Review

- 1. Provide safety and emergency response training for all new hires during onboarding.
- 2. Review and update safety protocols annually or as required by changes in regulations.
- 3. Document all training sessions and require staff signature upon completion.

This SOP is to be reviewed and signed by all salon staff as acknowledgment of understanding and commitment to maintaining a safe salon environment.