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# **APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Sole distributor & educator

# **Very Important!**

Read This ***before*** you Begin!

## **Common Mistakes Made when applying Naillogic Products**

This page is dedicated to the solutions to common mistakes made by techs using Naillogic products BEFORE they become a problem!

Gels are very different than traditional acrylics, and our gels are different in many ways from other gels. With this list of mistakes perhaps we can help you get going faster and with better results.

*Rule #1, Call us immediately if you have any questions or problems!*

Practice is the only way to become an expert. Using the product 2 or 3 times will not be enough understanding of how this product works to be successful.

See the "Trouble-Shooter"

1. Client must not wash hands with soap and water 30 to 45 minutes prior to service. Clients should use waterless sanitizers in the restroom! Do not trust clients to do sanitation, sanitize at your station! Always advise clients not to apply lotions day of service. The dryer the nail the better!

2. The sun will cause your gels and brushes to become useless!  
***Any source of U.V. rays will render your products and brushes as solid as a rock. Even on the north side of a building on a cloudy day! If you work near a picture window you may have a problem! Tanning beds will have the same effect.***

**3. Nail surface preparation is the most important part.  
(See page 9)**

**4. Application of the "Adhesion Booster" has two parts.**

**A.** Do not apply this primer to skin surfaces. It will not burn as in the case of acid primers but our primer has gel in it, so the gels you apply later will creep to where ever you have put our "Adhesion Booster"!

**B. The "Adhesion Booster" must be put under the U.V. Lamp for at least 30 seconds.** If you do not do this the primer will act as a lubricant and cause product to lift in a day or two!  
**(See page 9)**

**5. The "Base" gel must be worked into the nail** surface very well, especially back at the cuticle and sidewalls. 20 strokes with your brush ought to do it for the centre of the nail. For the cuticle area hold the brush almost perpendicular to the nail surface and make small swirling motions all along the cuticles to push the gel into the little etches you have made

with your file. Do not lift your brush during strokes or swirls, as you will create air bubbles you may need to fix later.

6. All other gels do NOT need be worked in. Simply wet the entire surface of the nail with gel, add gel as needed and watch the gel do the rest. Over brushing will simply waste your time and create bubbles losing clarity of the gel!

7. Then, too much brush pressure. People new to gels want to press the brush against the nail as you would with traditional acrylics. *Wrong!* The lighter your brush strokes the better. Simply touch the gel product on your brush to the wet gel surface and stroke along the nail surface (not touching the nail with the brush), **watch the product flow off the brush onto the nail!**

8. Over brushing, or attempting to brush to perfection, as one would with traditional acrylics will not produce the results you want. Allow Nailogic gels level on its own! Very little brushwork should be necessary!

**9. Never lay your gels brushes down!**

When you lay the brush down your brush will pick up lint, nail dust, or worse and because our product is crystal clear it will be a nuisance and/or be seen in the finished nail. Always leave your gels brushes standing bristle side up!

**10. Do not clean your brushes with brush cleaner until you are finished with the service!** If you find your product is coming out soft or lifts very soon, particularly when sculpting white free edges, this may be the result of having Nail Sanitizer, Brush Cleaner, or polish remover *in* your brush or *under the nail*. You see how easily the brush cleaner removes wet gel? *You must believe that the cleaners will destroy the gels when gels are in liquid form on the nail! Allow 3 to 5 minutes for brush to dry before using.*

**A. Do not clean your brush between gels except with a dry lint free wipe.**

**B.** Between clients be very certain your brush is clean, sanitized, and dry 3-5 minutes!

**C.** Be certain the nail is dry on the under side and along sidewalls before applying gels!

Solution: Have 3 brushes!

**A.** Let 1 brush dry while doing your next client. 1 brush always drying while 1 is in use.

**B.** Have a 3rd brush specifically for gel colours. Clean your colours brush immediately after use, and it will be dry for the next gel colours application.

**11. Remember .....** **Our Nailogic gels will only level on a *wet gel surface*,** so always brush on a little bit of gel, then add more as necessary to level. Good Luck, **call if you need us!**

12. Remember ..... 2, 3, 2, 3!

**2 minutes** under the light if the gel is clear, to be bonded and hard.

**3 minutes** under the light if the gel is not clear, to be bonded and hard.

**2 minutes** for "I Shine"

**3 minutes** under the light if you want a finishing GEL to shine.

### **13. Removal of acrylic gels.**

**A.** Soak off with Acetone.

**Do not do this service for free!**

## **Basic Natural Nail Preparation**

### Cautions!

A. No manufacturer's product will stick to a nail, which is wet, oily, dirty, or has cuticle tissue growing over the surface.

B. Both Tech's and client's hands should be sanitized and completely dry.

Client should not wash hands using soap and water 30 to 45 minutes prior to service. Clients should generously use waterless sanitizers.

Always advise clients not to apply lotions or oils day of service.

1. Remove polish by using a "Non Acetone Polish Remover/Brush Cleaner".
2. As necessary push back the cuticles using a metal cuticle pusher (push back, *then* push down, then draw forward) and remove the thin tissue, which appears from under the cuticle area. This thin tissue will be found along the sidewalls as well. Failure to remove this tissue will result in lifting.
3. Etch the entire surface of the nail **using a new 100 grit file only!** Start at the cuticle and work your way toward the free edge etching from cuticle to free edge. Use firm pressure. Change the angle of your file to etch entirely to where nail meets skin along the sidewalls. Failure to etch properly will result in lifting.
4. Dust the nail with a manicure brush.
5. Sanitize the nail using the "Nail Sanitizer" and "Naillogic Sanitizer Brush". Use brisk strokes to remove all filing dust, oil, and dirt. Allow drying to a chalky white. **Redo this step a couple of times if:** client recently washed hands, you recognize the nails as being oily, or if a client has adhesion issues.
6. **If the nail surface has been carefully and properly prepared there is no need for a primer** in most cases! *If lifting persists due to health or medication issues, always use the "Adhesion Booster" (not included in kits).* If necessary, apply Booster" over the entire surface of the nail including the tip or existing product. Do not apply "Adhesion Booster" to skin surfaces, Naillogic gels will flow wherever the "Adhesion Booster" is. **Place fingers with "Adhesion Booster" under the U.V. Lamp for 30 seconds.**
7. At this time apply tips as necessary. See "Applying a Tip".

## **Applying a Tip**

**Here is an important Tip! Nail glues work in the absence of air! "Tip-pically" if your tip has not stuck within 10 seconds, it is because you have air between the natural nail and the tip. If the air is gone, adhesion will typically happen in 10 seconds or less. Need proof? Drop some glue on a tip or form and set it on your station, check every couple of minutes, see how long it takes to become completely hard!**

1. Etch and cleanse the nail per the instructions in "**Basic Natural Nail Preparation**" steps #1 to #4.
2. Apply a thin coat of "**Nailogic Tip Resin**" to the natural nail and let dry. Apply a little "Tip Resin" to the well of "**the tip**" and apply the tip to the nail, remember, "Stop, Rock, Hold"! Using this process, if the tip "pops off" or gets pulled off, the extra layer of resin will pull off rather than the top layer of nail tissue.
3. For faster blending (filing) of natural tips, purchase and apply "**Nailogic Tip Blender**" to the seam where the tip meets the natural nail. Blend (file) carefully, being careful not to file on the natural nail, then buff or file the entire surface of the tip to remove shine. Shape the tip.
4. Dust with a manicure brush and sanitize the entire surface using brisk strokes with a stiff bristle brush and "**Nailogic Nail Sanitizer**". Let dry to a chalky white.
5. Follow step #6 of "**Basic Natural Nail Preparation**".

## **Sculpting a Gel Acrylic**

**1. Follow the instructions for "Basic Natural Nail Preparation".**

**2. Place a form under the nails to be sculpted. Any form will work.**

**3. Using the "Nailogic Acrylics #4" brush slightly wet the free edge area of 4 nails or both thumbs with "UV Acrylic Liquid" (put the "UV Acrylic Liquid" in a dappen dish). Then, dip into the "UV Acrylic Liquid" getting the brush good and wet with liquid; lightly touch the inner edge of the dappen dish with the brush. Stir your wet brush (not to deep) through the "WhiteAcrylicPowder" 3 or 4 times. The powder should become a liquid on your brush. Gently dab and pull the product across the free edge to create shape as needed. Allow a few seconds to flow and smooth. Use a dry brush to help shape your smile line. Once you are happy with the free edge shape, place nails under "U.V. Lamp" until it has been achieved and hand #2.**

**Note: This mixture method is different from conventional acrylics. You will not get a ball! If you have mixed the liquid and powder properly the product should self-level when applied to the nail (too wet, flows too much, too dry, no flow at all!). This application will require some shaping with a file.**

**4. Using "Liquid" wet the entire surface of the natural nail and the white tip. Then, dip into the "UV Acrylic Liquid" getting the brush good and wet with liquid; lightly touch the inner edge of the dappen dish with the brush. Stir your wet brush (not to deep) through the "Clear or French Pink" Acrylic Powder" 5 or 6 times. The powder should become a dense liquid on your brush. Gently dab and pull the product across the nail. Bring this product out over the white free edge. Allow a few seconds to flow and smooth. Turn the hand upside down, allow product to self-shape. Be certain at all times you have not gotten any product on the cuticles.**

Gel on skin equals lifting.

Cure this step under the "U.V. Lamp" for 2 minutes.

5. This application will require some shaping with a file. File or buff to shape the surface. Cleanse with "Nail Sanitizer".

6. At this point you could, if needed, re-apply acrylics, if more strength or shape is needed. Buff again if needed; sanitize using "Nail Sanitizer".

7. Now would be the time to apply a coat of "Gel Fini" colour gel,

And/or/then

8. Using "I Shine" apply, as you would polish. Do not apply to skin. Allow to self-level a few seconds. Be certain at all times you have not gotten any product on the skin. Place the nails under the

"U.V. Lamp" for 2 minutes.

Do not wipe with alcohol or polish remover, Do not Buff!!!!!!!.

Finished!

The nails will be strong and be permanently shiny.

## Gel Acrylic Overlay

This application will require a little practice to learn how much powder and liquid to mix on your brush! If products run, it is too wet. If it does not move or moves slowly, it is too dry. Simply wipe it off and try again!

1. Follow the instructions for "Basic Natural Nail Preparation". If you are applying tips follow instructions for "Applying a Tip".

2. Using the "Naillogic Acrylics #4 " brush dip into the "UV Acrylic Liquid" (put the U.V. Liquid in a dappen dish), slightly wet the entire surface of the nails and tips. Use small swirling brush motion to *push* "UV Liquid" back to the cuticle. Then, get your brush good and wet with "UV Acrylic Liquid"; lightly touch the inner edge of the dappen dish with the brush. Drag your wet brush (not too deep) through the "Clear or French Pink" Acrylic Powder" 5 or 6 times. The powder should become a dense liquid on your brush. Gently dab and pull or push the product across the nails as needed. Cap the free edge. Add or remove product as needed. Allow a few seconds to flow and smooth. Turn the hand upside down 20 seconds or until you have nice shape, allow product to self-shape. Be certain at all times you have not gotten any product on the cuticles.

Product on skin equals lifting.

Place nails under "U.V. Lamp" 2 minutes, or until this step is completed on hand

#2. This application will require some shaping with a file.

**Note:** This mixture method is different from conventional acrylics. If you have mixed the liquid and powder properly the product should self-level when applied to the nail.

3. Cleanse with "Nail Sanitizer" and file surface to shape as needed, cleanse again with "Nail Sanitizer".

4. Now would be the time to apply a coat of "Gel Fini" colour gel

And/or/then

6. Using "I Shine" apply, as you would polish. Do not apply to skin. Allow to self-level a few seconds. Be certain at all times you have not gotten any product on the skin. Place the nails under the "U.V. Lamp" for 90-120 seconds.

Do not wipe with alcohol or polish remover, Do not Buff!!!!!!!.

## Fills

1. Aggressively **file** the entire surface or the existing product, reducing and reshaping. You want to remove at least the "**Nailogic I-Shine**" or "**Final Step**" coat, the **Gel Fini colour gel** and a little of the **Building gel**. Blend the fill line and taper free edge as necessary.
2. Follow the instructions for "**Basic Natural Nail Preparation**".
3. Then simply return to the "**Applications Directory**" which has the application instructions you need, and redo the steps exactly the same way. It should be obvious that a fill will require less gel than a full set. Always apply gel over the entire surface of the nail (new growth and old gel) at every fill!
5. When filling a sculpted nail, and to redo the white free edge, you will need to do extra filing where you will be putting white gel. This filing does not need to be the perfect smile line, as you will paint on a new smile line in the same fashion you would in the original service, and the remainder will be filled with the "Building Gel". **Do not file all the way down to the natural nail or tip!**

## Application Solutions

### **1. Tips Crack Down the Middle**

Cause	Solution
Too Much pressure in centre of Tip causes Flattening & splitting	Different manufacturers have different curvature in their tips. Maybe a flatter tip will work better. Do not simply press harder in the middle of the tip onto a flat nail. This will cause stress and splitting down the middle.

### **2. Lifting**

Cause	Solution
Nail not properly or completely etched	Use 100 grit files only. <u>Firmly</u> etch sides (right down to where nail meets skin), cuticle area, and entire nail surface well.
Nail wet or oily	Do not wet hands before service. No oils or moisturizers before service. Dry Nail Sanitizer off surface of nail.
Gel not worked into etching well enough	Use swirling motion with gel brush, particularly at the cuticles. Avoid touching skin.

### 3. Tips Separate from The Nail Free Edge.

Cause	Solution
Tips not applied properly	Practice <b>Applying a Tip</b> . Secret, <b>Nailogic Tip Resin</b> works in the absence of oxygen! If you have air bubbles, glue will not set up quickly.

### 4. Gels did not Cure

Cause	Solution
Confusion!	If the gel is clear, 2 minutes under the UV light, 3 minutes if the gel has colour. Use some " <b>Nailogic Nail Sanitizer</b> " to wipe the gel surface clean; if your bulb is good, the gel <i>is</i> cured. There will always be a sticky residue on Nailogic gels when they come out of the light.
Light Bulb not functioning	Replace the bulb

## Do you wonder what liquid and powder gels are?

Now this is an interesting question.

**BEWARE!!!**, If you have been *told* you received gel nails, many salons are not giving you the real explanation. Many salons will apply a traditional acrylic nail, then put a thin coat of gel over the top, calling it a gel, charging a higher price....this is not a true gel nail!

Here is what you need to know!

1. Gel is a term applied to liquids, which are thicker than water (Hair gels, body gels, tooth gels, etc.).
2. All nail enhancement products are plastics. Acrylics, gels, liquid and powder gels, ABS tips, and tip glue all fall into a class of "acrylic technology products".
3. What changes is the chemistry and method of polymerisation.

- There are traditional acrylic nail products which air-dry carrying chemicals and odours into the air you breathe.
- There are gel nail products, which are already a mixed liquid, are typically odourless, and only become hard when exposed to ultraviolet light or other activation process (water, spray activator. etc.).
- There is a class of application products often referred to as "liquid and powder gels" which is neither of the above.

How do you tell whether you received a true gel nail?

- If a liquid and a powder are mixed on a brush, *has an odour and air-dries*, it is *not* a gel! This is a traditional acrylic with gel applied over the top to seal and shine, and charge more money.
- If a Nail Liquid and a Nail Powder are mixed on a brush, but has little or no odour, and *is* immediately cured under a UV nail light, it is not a true gel, rather it is a liquid with *a* specialized acrylic nail powder, *it is a light cured acrylic!*  
Sometimes a true gel coating is applied over this product to provide a shine.
- A true gel typically comes out of its container *already a gel liquid (no mixing)*, and will only become hard when introduced to an ultraviolet light source.

**Don' be fooled! Light cured acrylics and traditional air-dry acrylics are very different. Naillogic UV Light Cured Gel Acrylics will look and feel just like a gel, will be stiff like a traditional acrylic, but does not require a drill to be filed!**

## **Don't forget**

It's not as easy as it appears!  
Hours of practice will be necessary.  
So, please, you paid for it, be more successful more quickly,

**Practice  
Practice  
Practice!**

**Practice by putting product on, learning how much to apply, how to move the product, how to shape the nail before you make it hard, then simply wipe it off because you can! Do it again at least ten times. Then finish one finger at a time until you get it right.**

**Full sets will only come with time and practice.**

**It's just good advise!**

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