



THE GELBOTTLE INC

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### PROCLIP

The ProClip clippers are used to remove any unwanted length from the free edge by placing the free edge of the nail within the clipper, and pressing down to cut the nail. Ensure you start from the side of the free edge and work your way around bit by bit, rather than cutting the whole free edge in one cut.

### PROPREP

The ProPrep tool is used to lift and loosen the cuticle. This dual-ended tool has a pusher that is used to lift the cuticle away from the nail plate and a knife that is designed to remove stubborn non-living tissue from the surface.

### PROTRIM

The ProTrim scissors are used to remove any non-living tissue from the cuticle area.

When using the ProTrim scissors, the bottom blade should sit underneath the non-living tissue at a 90-degree angle to get a clean removal of the cuticle.

The ProTrim Scissors are a great addition to our On Form Sculpting Nail Forms. These scissors will help tailor your forms perfectly to fit any nail shape. We recommend using a different pair than the ones you use on the cuticle area to avoid blunting the inside blades.

### PRONIP

The ProNip nippers are used to remove non-living tissue from the cuticle area. You will need to hold the nippers at a 45-degree angle with the blades facing away from you, sitting underneath the lifted cuticle to be removed.

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### STEP 1

- Use the ProClip clippers to remove the length of the natural nail.

### STEP 2

- Use your TGB 220/240 File to shape the nail.

### STEP 3

- Start by using the pusher end of the ProPrep tool, holding it flat against the nail. This will ensure that you are pushing the cuticle back and not digging into the nail plate.

### STEP 4

- Once the cuticle has been pushed back, you can then use the knife end of the tool to begin removing stubborn non-living tissue.

### STEP 5

- Using the knife end, work your way up the side walls and around the cuticle, using light to medium pressure, to gently tease off the stubborn non-living tissue.

### STEP 6

- Once all of the cuticle is lifted away from the nail plate you are ready to go in with your ProTrim scissors or ProNip nippers to remove the non-living tissue completely.

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### STEP 7

- Use ProTrim scissors to remove most of the non-living tissue at the cuticle.

### STEP 8

- Use ProNip nippers to remove the remaining smaller bits of non-living tissue you could not remove with the scissors.

## FAQS

### **Are they safe to clean with Barbicide?**

Yes, Barbicide is one of the recommended disinfection systems for these tools.

### **How to clean the tools?**

Tools should be cleaned in warm soapy water before continuing with your chosen disinfection solution, such as Barbicide. To sterilise your tools as a final step we recommend a steam or autoclave machine. The TGB Tools Range has been tested in a sterilisation machine.

UV sterilization also known as UV disinfection or ultraviolet germicidal irradiation (UVGI), works by breaking down certain chemical bonds and scrambling the structure of DNA, RNA and proteins, causing a microorganism to be unable to multiply.

A steam steriliser, also known as an 'autoclave', uses saturated steam at 121-132 °C. A typical standard for steam sterilisation is achieved after 15 to 30 minutes and destroys all viable microorganisms.

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### IF YOU HAVE ACCESS TO AN AUTOCLAVE:

1. Clean the TGB tools by washing them with soapy water and then applying an appropriate disinfectant spray.
2. Use steam steriliser or autoclave.

### IF AN AUTOCLAVE IS NOT ACCESSIBLE:

1. Begin by washing the TGB tools with soapy water.
2. Place them in a container with Barbicide for disinfection for the recommended time.
3. After disinfection, rinse and dry the TGB tools once again.

- **How are they different from our old range?**

Each tool has been designed to be more ergonomic than our previous range, down to the exact angle of the blades and the length of the tools for grip and stability. Our new tools are coated in titanium to keep them sharp and durable, as well as giving a more hygienic coating that can be easily sterilised.

- **How not to blunt your tools?**

Only ever use your tools for the recommended purpose and look after them. Proper cleaning and storage will extend the life of your tools.

Where not to use your tools e.g. don't use your cuticle nipper to cut nails. Tools should only be used for their intended purpose. Do not attempt to cut the nail with your nippers as this will blunt the tool. We recommend having separate scissors to trim forms etc, otherwise, you risk affecting the sharpness of your scissors.

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- **The use of tools in an autoclave.**

These have been tested in saline and Barbicide and we believe these should be suitable for UV and steam sterilisation.

- **Why is the new range more expensive?**

These tools are completely bespoke, there's really nothing else like them on the market! We have designed every last curve and sharp edge.

# LEARN MORE WITH TGB ACADEMY

## TOOLS RANGE

Are you a passionate nail technician eager to elevate your skills and enhance your service offerings? Look no further! Our Perfect Prep Online Workshop is designed specifically for dedicated professionals like you who want to stay ahead of the game in the ever-evolving nail industry.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

One of our TGB educators will show you how to achieve the perfect nail prep before any product application using the TGB Tools Range.

Join one of our TGB Educators as they lead this online workshop and teach you how to use our brand-new range of tools. The video will cover how to prepare the natural nail plate, how to effectively use our ProPrep tool, as well as detailed cuticle work using our nippers and scissors.

Plus, the workshop video is yours to keep! Watch it again and again as much as you like.

Prep is a must-have skill for any nail tech. Whether you're just starting out or looking to advance your skills, this workshop is designed for everyone wanting to hone their craft. Download the workshop today!

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