

THE GELBOTTLE INC

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Looking for the perfect solution for heavy-handed clients?

Need to create long, strong manicures that last? Hard BIAB™ is perfect for sculpting extensions, reinforcing long natural nails, or setting up a flawless base for colour. What's more, you can expect exceptional control, self-levelling precision and a smooth, streak-free finish. Achieve the perfect apex with minimal effort and maximum precision.

With a thicker viscosity for precision shaping and a file-off formula built to last 4+ weeks, it's the ultimate solution for strong nail overlays, infills, nail fixes and durable nail extensions. Proudly made in the UK and HEMA and TPO-free, this hard builder gel is a must-have for every professional nail kit.

Hard BIAB™ has a built-in base for improved retention.

File-off system — can be paired with TGB Base Coats for easier removals.

STEP 1: NAIL PREP

- Sanitise your and your customer's hands.
- Use a cuticle pusher — like ProPrep from our TGB Tools Range — to push back the cuticles before trimming away excess with nippers. We recommend the ProNip cuticle nippers.
- File nails into the desired shape using a TGB 220/240 File.
- Gently buff nails using a TGB 100/180 Buffer to remove any shine.
- Dehydrate and cleanse the nail plate using 100% pure acetone (TGB Acetone).

STEP 2: OPTIONAL BASE LAYER

- Built-in base for improved retention. File-off system — can be paired with TGB Base Coats for easier removals.
- Apply a thin layer of HEMA-free Bond Base or Rubber Base to the natural nail.
- Cure for 99 seconds on Low Heat Mode in the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp. We do not recommend the use of other lamps. If the customer experiences a 'heat spike', remove the nails from the lamp. Lost seconds must be regained using Low Heat Mode again.

STEP 3: FIRST LAYER

- Apply a thin layer of Hard BIAB™ to the natural nail.
- Cure for 99 seconds on Low Heat Mode in the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp.

STEP 4: SECOND LAYER

- Apply a medium bead of Hard BIAB™, spreading from side to side and dragging away from the cuticle area. Avoid thick build-up around the free edge.
- Build and cure one nail at a time and turn the hand over to help create the apex.
- Cure for 99 seconds on Low Heat Mode in the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp.

STEP 5: THIRD LAYER

- Apply a second medium bead of Hard BIAB™, spreading from side to side and dragging away from the cuticle area. Avoid thick build-up around the free edge.
- Build and cure one nail at a time and turn the hand over to help create the apex.
- Cure for 99 seconds on Low Heat Mode in the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp.

STEP 6: REFINE

- Remove the tacky layer with TGB Acetone or isopropyl alcohol.
- Refine the nail using a TGB 120/180 File.
- Buff into shape using a TGB 100/180 Buffer, concentrating on reducing the product around the cuticle area and the free edge.
- Remove any dust with the Dusting Brush and wipe with isopropyl alcohol.

STEP 7: TOP COAT LAYER

- If nails are to be finished with TGB Gel Colour, follow the 'TGB Gel Polish Application' steps.
- Apply your chosen TGB Top Coat.
- Cure using the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp for 60 seconds.
- Apply a small amount of Cuticle Essence to each cuticle, avoiding contact with the nail to minimise dulling of the top coat.

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- File nails into the desired shape using a TGB 220/240 File.
- Gently buff nails using a TGB 100/180 Buffer to remove any shine.
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STEP 2: FORM/TIP APPLICATION

- Apply TGB Nail Forms or Tips to each nail.
- After tips have been sized correctly, apply using nail glue. Press down firmly to ensure there are no air bubbles, as this will cause lifting.
- Cut, file and buff tips into shape using a TGB 120/180 File and TGB 100/180 Buffer.

STEP 3: OPTIONAL BASE LAYER

- Built-in base for improved retention. File-off system — can be paired with TGB Base Coats for easier removals.
- Apply a thin layer of TGB HEMA-free Bond Base or Rubber Base to the natural nail.
- Cure using the TGB Light The Way Lamp on Low Heat Mode (99 seconds), the lamp has been specifically designed to cure TGB products. We do not recommend the use of other lamps. If the customer experiences a 'heat spike', remove the nails from the lamp. Lost seconds must be regained using Low Heat Mode again.

STEP 4: FIRST LAYER

- Apply a medium bead of Hard BIAB™, spreading from side to side and dragging away from the cuticle area to the desired length and shape. Avoid thick build-up around the free edge.
- Build and cure one nail at a time and turn the hand over to help create the apex.
- Cure for 99 seconds on Low Heat Mode in the TGB Light The Way Nail Lamp.

STEP 5: SECOND LAYER

- Apply a second medium bead of Hard BIAB™, spreading from side to side and dragging away from the cuticle area. Avoid thick build-up around the free edge.
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STEP 7: TOP COAT LAYER

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STEP 1: PREP

- Sanitise your own and your customer's hands.

STEP 2: DEBULK

- **If using a base:** Use the 120/180 File to debulk the BIAB™ until you have removed all of it and are left only with the base coat layer.
- **If not using a base:** Gently debulk using TGB E-File or a 120/180 File until no product remains on the nail plate. Your removal is now finished if you did not use a base. Simply apply a generous amount of Cuticle Essence to complete the service.

STEP 3: SOAK OFF

- Soak a TGB Removal Foil in TGB Acetone and wrap tightly around each nail.
- Leave to soak for five minutes. Please note, times may vary depending on the thickness of the base coat left on the nail.

STEP 4: REMOVAL

- Remove the foil from one nail whilst keeping the others wrapped in acetone.
- Use the pusher end of your ProPrep tool to gently scrape away the gel.
- Don't force the gel off, if it is still hard, re-wrap the nail and leave the gel to soak or 5-10 more minutes, repeat as necessary.
- Use the TGB ProPrep pusher end to remove any remaining soaked gel.
- Make sure you support the customer's natural nail tip with your finger while removing the gel to avoid bending or snapping the nail.

STEP 5: BUFF AND SHAPE

- If there is any base coat/BIAB™ residue left, then use a TGB 100/180 Buffer to gently buff it off.
- Any base coat left on the nail plate needs to be only slightly buffed to avoid over-buffing the natural nail. Concentrate on areas around the cuticles.
- Once all product is removed, apply a generous amount of Cuticle Essence.

LEARN MORE WITH TGB ACADEMY — BIAB™

The BIAB™ Natural Nails course is a must for all technicians. Add another service to your offering with our ABT and Guild-accredited course.

Learn everything there is to know about the original Builder In A Bottle™, aka BIAB™. This TGB innovation remains a bestseller, providing a flexible, strong builder gel formula in a range of colours and finishes, as well as a HEMA-free formula. BIAB™ strengthens weak and brittle nails so your clients can grow their natural nails longer.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Get to know the cult product of the nail industry, including the types of BIAB™ and their uses. With BIAB™ you'll take your business to the next level.

You will learn how to correctly apply the nail tech essential, creating the perfect apex as part of a natural nail overlay. You'll also be taught how to extend or fix a nail using Clear BIAB™, infill a BIAB™ treatment AND how to safely remove both soak-off and file-off formulas.

Master the cult product that has become a nail tech essential worldwide.

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