



## Beauty Vendor Gratuity Guidelines

**Esthetician:** A 20 percent tip is routine, but you should base your gratuity off of the esthetician's performance. After all, it is your face!

**Eye Lash Stylist:** The standard gratuity for eyelash extensions is between 18 and 20 percent of the cost of the service.

**Hair Stylist, Hair Colorist, and the Shampoo Person:** The rule hair service is 20 percent for the entire service cost, not per each person who worked on your hair. For example, if your haircut, shampoo, and styling cost \$60 and your color cost an additional \$60, your hair appointment would come to a total of \$120. That means you are expected to tip \$24 (20%) divided among the stylist, the colorist, and the shampoo person. The person shampooing your hair probably earns just a little bit more than minimum wage, so consider tipping him or her \$5 - \$7.

**Make-Up Artist:** If you use the services of a make-up artist for a special event such as a wedding or a photo shoot or an awards ceremony, consider tipping between 15 to 25 percent.

**Nail Services:** Your nail service could be anything from a "classic" man-pedi" to a detailed gel application, and a 20% tip is still expected. If you find yourself in one of those inexpensive neighborhood nail salons, consider tipping as much as 30 percent for the service.

**Massage Therapist:** Use the standard tipping rate of 15 to 25 percent. Once again, you can tip more or less depending on how pleased you are with the service.

**Med Spa Services:** Med Spa services follow the standard rule for gratuities, which is 15 - 25 percent. If your service is high end and cost more than \$1,000, check with the receptionist first because the gratuity may already be included within the service.

**Parking Attendants:** If your spa or salon offers valet parking or a garage, consider giving them a gratuity of \$1.00 - \$2.00 per car.

**Spray Tan:** Given the fact that a spray tan is a fairly new service, many people don't realize that it is a "tippable" service. Well, it is, and it follows the standard rule of 15 - 20 percent.

**Waxing:** The standard gratuity for waxing services is between 15 to 25 percent. For a quick brow wax (that may be priced at \$10 or less), a couple of dollars for tip is fair and appropriate. For bikini waxes and Brazilian waxes, consider being a little more generous with your gratuity since this type of waxing service requires a more skill and care.

**\*\* Holiday Season \*\*** If you get your spa services on a regular basis, consider tipping a little extra or give a cash gift around the holiday season. It doesn't have to break the bank - You just want your beauty vendor to know how much you appreciate them.

**\*\* Low on Cash? \*\*** Even when you know how much to tip, you might still find yourself in an awkward position post-treatment since many salons don't accept credit card payments for tips any more. Fortunately, we have numerous options now - you can tip with the service called Tippy, Venmo, Zelle or Cash App.