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The IFS Master Soapmaker Diploma

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Section 00

General Information

0.1 A few words of introduction

High-quality training is an essential prerequisite for starting up a micro soap business, entering the soap-making world, practising the trade, gaining independence and building your professional future. This is a profession where individuality and adaptation are essential.

These observations have guided the development of this prospectus. Adaptation and individualisation with a 100% operational aim is the spirit of our offer.

All our professional training courses for the modern soap-maker are based on science, not hearsay, so you can really get to grips with the profession.

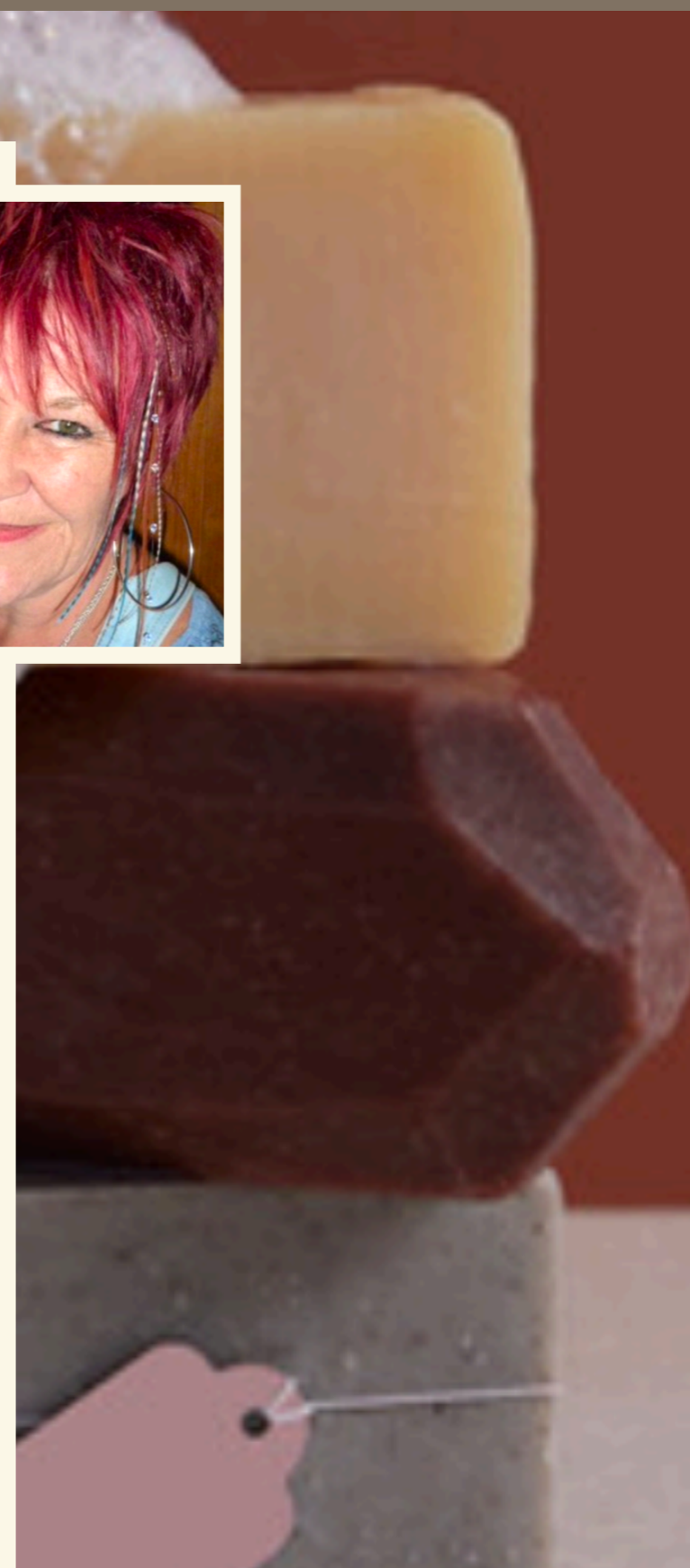
If the word 'science' frightens you, rest assured, this is not a scientific degree. It's about a change in thinking, a new way of working and a willingness to adapt to a more analytical approach.

Whether you choose to study online, through blended learning or face-to-face, we'll support you throughout the course and beyond with 6 months of one-to-one coaching.

If you are joining our global family of responsible soap makers, we wish you a rewarding learning experience.

Jacqueline Hurley

Founder, Trainer and Artisan Soapmaker



0.2 About IFS

IFS (Institut de Formation de Savonnerie) is a training organisation registered under number 76820099982 with the Prefect of the Occitanie region in South West France..

A subsidiary of Airmeith Savonnerie, IFS was launched in 2016 its heritage and expertise is much older.

Located in the heart of the historic centre of the medieval village of Caylus, Tarn et Garonne (82), Occitanie opposite the Château de Caylus and its park, IFS offers you a calm environment to perfect your learning in a modern, bright workshop-laboratory.

Practical information :

Railway stations: Caussade (82) - 23kms, Montauban (82) - 52kms

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Further information about your training course will be sent to you once the booking has been made.



0.3 Learning Resources

Based in France, naturally all our learning aids are written and presented in French which are presented to you in a lever arch file which is yours to keep.

This support material is designed and written by IFS and is often made up of several chapters and modules depending on the planned duration of your course.

Its essential function is to meet your particular needs and facilitate your understanding and memorisation, stimulating your curiosity while providing a framework for reflection. From our point of view, it helps us to illustrate key points and salient ideas.

For our English speaking students, you will be presented with a book entitled « Scientific Soap-making » by Dr. Kevin M. Dunn, which will be your learning resource together with additional content produced by IFS. The content of the book runs more or less parallel to our French content and is yours to keep as a valuable resource for future reference. The price of all resources is included in the fee quoted to you.



0.3 Intellectual Property

We encourage you to take notes in whatever form suits you best to enhance your learning experience.

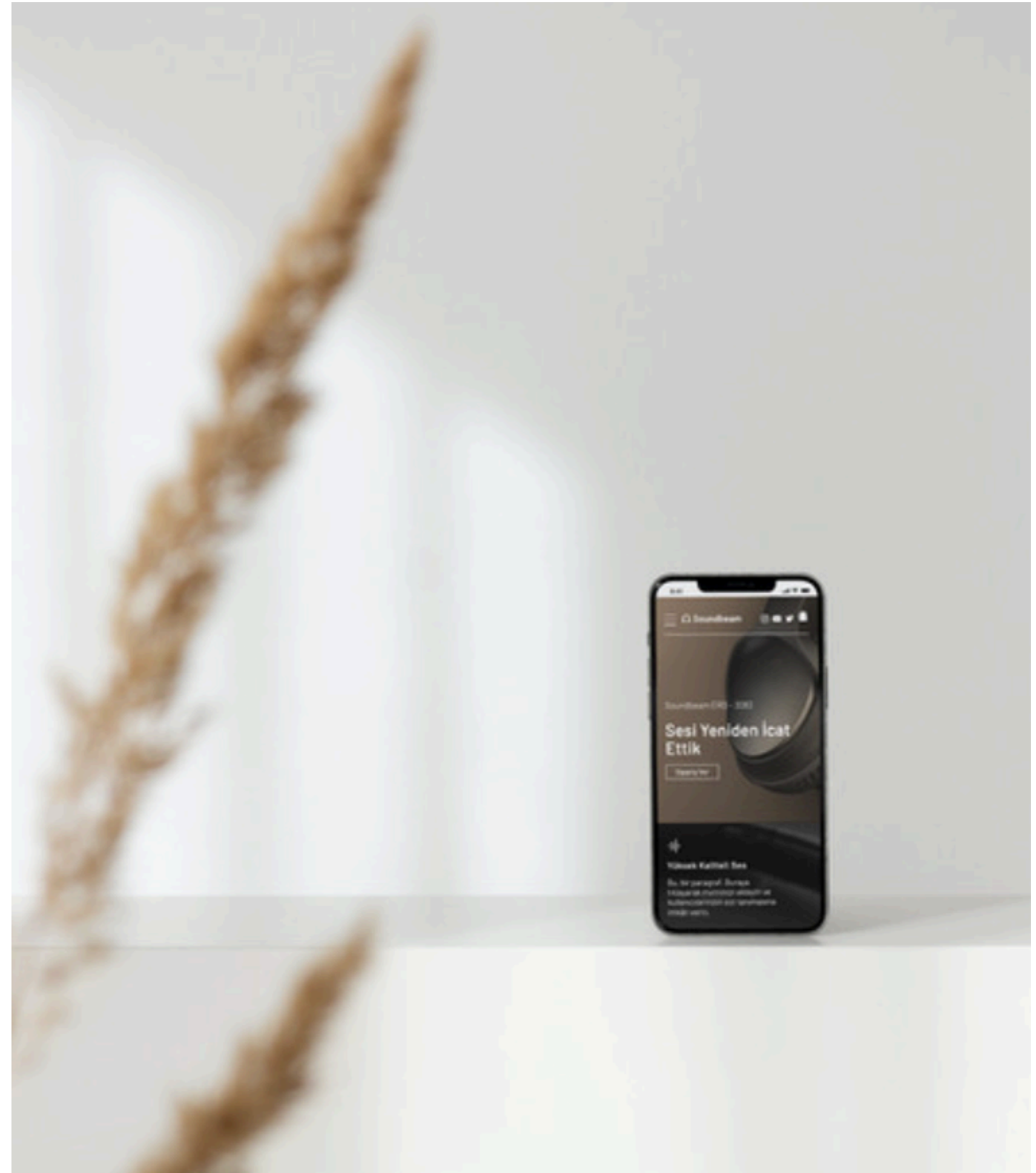
This could be written notes, an audio recording of a session or a video recording of a practical session using your mobile phone to enhance your training.

IFS's general position relating to Intellectual Property's is that you own your IP.

As a general principle, we recognise our participants as owners of any IP that they create while they're a registered participant of IFS. Such creations can include:

- Essays, written assignments etc.
- Formulations and production outcomes
- Audio and video recordings of personal work.

There are some possible exceptions to this principle such as audio videoing taught content. For more information, please ask to see our IP Policy.



0.4 Study Credits

What are IFS study Credits ?

IFS credits are a system designed to facilitate academic recognition of the knowledge and skills you have acquired during your studies with us.

IFS credits are calculated at the end of each module, and are only validated if you have successfully completed your personal assignments, many of which are done remotely. They allow you to show the value of the work you have done during your studies.

How does the credit system work ?

The award of our IFS non-accredited *Diploma Master Soap Maker* requires achievement of 90% of the 400 study credits available. The diploma is divided into three themes: *Getting Started in Natural Soap*, *Master Class* and *Cosmetic Regulation*.

Is it necessary that I study all three themes ?

If you want to achieve our IFS Diploma Master Soap Maker and move into professional soap-making, the answer is yes. However, each theme has been designed and offered for study as individual subjects to suit your current experience and learning needs.

For example, our theme « *Getting Started in Natural Soap* » is ideal for the curious soapmaker, complete novices or amateurs looking to move to the next level whether the interest is professional or not. The theme « *Master Class* » studies the issue of quality and control of the finished soap product and is therefore of interest to amateurs and professionals alike. The final theme « *Cosmetic Regulation* » discusses the steps to place a cosmetic product for sale on the UK and European market and is therefore of interest to future professionals.

The credits for each theme vary according to the subjects studied. This allows for a greater degree of flexibility in aligning your learning content to your personal needs and as your practical expertise grows, you can add-on other themes to boost your theoretical understanding of the science behind responsible soap making. The themes are interlinked, but not strictly consecutive - any theme provides a benefit on its own.

If you only wish to study theme 1 « *Getting started in natural soap* », you will receive a certificate attesting to your participation and the number of study credits achieved. The same applies for themes 2 and 3 « *Master Class* » and « *Cosmetic Regulation* »

0.4 Study Credits

How is the IFS Diploma Master Soap Maker achieved?

You can study all three themes consecutively over a period of 5 - 7 days, depending on your current level of experience, at our training centre or opt to participate in separate sessions. For example :

« Getting Started in Natural Soap » 21 hours (3 days)

« Master Class » 14 hours (2 days)

« Cosmetic Regulation » 14 hours (2 days)

What happens if I fail a theme ?

Each theme comprises practical and theoretical work by way of assignments. These assignments are usually completed out side of the course hours and often required continued study at home post-course. If you fail an assignment, you will need to redo the assignment again.

The practical elements are assessed during your course duration and count towards the study credits for the theme studied. This gives you ample opportunity to succeed in achieving the minimum credits required for the practical work.

What happens if I submit my coursework late?

Each written assignment will carry a deadline. This is to keep you motivated when away from our training centre. If you are aiming to achieve our IFS Diploma, then it is critical that you submit your work according to the deadlines given, otherwise this could affect your overall grade.

It is possible, in extenuating circumstances (EC), to ask for an extension but what a lot of participants fail to remember is that when you apply for an EC you're giving yourself more time to complete the assignment, but this could lead to procrastination and could lead to you doing the assignment last minute.

Are my study credits transferable to another cosmetic school?

No, our study credits are not transferable to another cosmetic school. What we offer is unique amongst the private sector training providers.

Theme 01

Getting started in Natural Soap

1.1 Course Outline

Course Title	Getting Started in Natural Soap (Theme 01)
Study Credits	165/400
Trainer	Mrs. Jacqueline Hurley, Owner, Artisan Soap Maker, Qualified Adult Educator
Course Location	Institut de Formation de Savonnerie, 13 Rue du château, 82160 Caylus, South West France
Location contact details	T: +33641220290. WhatsApp +33641220290 Email institutdesavonneriesaf@gmail.com W: institutdeformationdesavonnerie.com
Course Aims	Acquire the basics and be able to open and launch a small cosmetic business at the end of the course by mastering the formulation and manufacture of solid soaps using the cold saponification method. Mastering all the aspects involved in starting up and launching an artisan soap factory (in Europe and Non-EU countries). These include European and Worldwide cosmetic regulations, health and safety instructions, the basics of business management, standards, traceability, laboratory design, the layout of the premises and the organisation of production for the facility, etc.
Course Objectives	At the end of this theme, participants will be able to: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Gather, comprehend, and communicate basic scientific and technical information related to saponification in order to explore ideas, formulations, and solutions and generate further questions.2. Apply scientific and technical knowledge in formulation, production, and to evaluate existing or alternative explanations, solve problems, and make evidence-based decisions responsibly and ecologically.
Course Description	<p>This theme firstly examines the tools of the trade of a professional soapmaker to enable a familiarity with the equipment needed or making small batches of soap before exploring how to correctly use an electronic balance to make precise measurements. The theme evolves towards delivering an understanding of how to read a Material Data Safety Sheet (MDS) for critical safety evaluation of raw materials and then moves towards delivering an understanding of all the basic maths needed for experimental soap making. Trainees will learn how to practically analyse the purity of Caustic Soda and understand the importance of such on their future soap making practicals. Special emphasis is placed on the role of the common plant oils and animal fats and the properties they lend to the finished soap product. Trainees will also discover the properties of plant-based additives, colourants, milk and hive products etc., and how and when to incorporate such products to improve the quality of the finished soap product. Critically, participants will learn how to use the alkali ratio in formulations to determine the quantity of lye needed to make soap from a blend of oils and understand how to determine the quantity of raw soap needed to fill a particular mould. The theme further explores how to scale up production to fulfil the needs of a micro-business.</p> <p>Mastery of additional topics will enable the student to understand the interaction between oil and water, and acids and bases, the forces that dominate the interactions between water, oil and soap molecules, the structure of fatty acids, alcohols and esters, the fundamental chemical reaction that turns oils into soaps and how soaps and detergents do what they do.</p>

1.1 Course Outline

Course Duration / Course Fee	21 hours 1,500 euros VAT exempt.
Course Target Audience	Persons undergoing career conversion into the cosmetic industry, people setting up or taking over agricultural, craft, commercial or self-employed businesses, whether or not they are already in business.
Prerequisites	Minimum age 18 years Participants must have a basic understanding of mathematics, be capable of solving calculations using a calculator, be self-motivated and take responsibility for their personal development. A fluency in English or French is required. The course is not suitable for pregnant women or women who are breast-feeding.
Group size	This course is taught on a 1-2-1 private basis, 1 participant per course
Resources to be provided by participant	Laptop with wifi connectivity. Personal Protective Equipment: Lab coat, safety glasses, hairnet, shoe covers, face mask, chemical resistant gloves (a sufficient stock for the course duration), Personal notebook and pen 1 x 1kg professional soap mould Since the participant will part with all their soap production, the participant must consider its post-course transportation and therefore provide a suitable hygienic container.
Additional expenses for the account of the participant	Accommodation, Meals Transportation to and from the training venue
Learning resources	Instructional textbook « Scientific Soap-making » Dr. Kevin M Dunn (included in course fee) Laboratory Notebook (included in course fee) Lab raw materials, ingredients and equipment
Teaching Aids	Laptop Flipchart and coloured pens Lab raw materials, ingredients and equipment

1.1 Course Outline

Instructional Methods	<p>A combination of teaching methods will be used to suit the needs of the participant. These include :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Presentations and lectures2. Discussions: Involvement of students by provoking critical thinking and verbal interactions through Question and Answer sessions. Will be accomplished individually.3. Theoretical assignments and practicals4. 6 months 1-2-1 follow-up distance coaching by email, telephone, video-conference etc.
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2.1 Course Content

Module	Title	Learning Credits	Objectives
1	Tools of the Trade	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the importance of a Laboratory Notebook and how to use it. • Understand the importance of PPE in relation to personal safety and Good Manufacturing Processes • Understand the differences between a decigram, centigram and precision balance, the importance of correct choice and explain how and when to use them. • Create a listing of preferred suppliers and equipment needed for a small artisan soap making business • Assignment
2	Weights and Measures	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand simple dimensional analysis for all the calculations required throughout the course • Be capable of using electronic balances to make synthetic and analytical weights • Assignment
3	Material Data Safety Sheet (MDS)	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand how to read an MDS, evaluate the safety precautions to implement safety measures. • Identify the key safety precautions when handling Caustic Soda and make a safety contingency plan.
4	Single Oil Soap	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effect a practical purity test of Caustic Soda using Citric Acid Titration and synthetic and analytical weighing processes. • Produce a Master batch of Lye at 500 ppt • Examine the properties of common soap making fatty acids and their properties conferred to the finished soap product. • Understand how to use alkalinity ratios to calculate lye quantities for single oil soap • Understand the procedure to test for alkalinity of the finished soap product • Calculate the rate of humidity in post-production soap and describe the quality control steps during the cure period • Assignment

2.1 Course Content

Module	Title	Learning Credits	Objectives
5	Multi-oil Soap	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand how to use alkalinity ratios to calculate lye quantities for multi oil soap • Be capable of formulating a quality soap against prescribed percentages of different fatty acids • Identify additional ingredients that boost the quality of the finished soap without risking the product integrity. • Be capable of describing the properties of additional ingredients chosen and justifying their use. • Assignment
6	Fatty Acids, Alcohols and Esters	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a basic understanding of Stoichiometry and how and why it relates to the soap-maker • Understand the chemical structure of fatty acids, alcohols and esters and how they are derived through saponification • Understand the chemistry behind saponification and the saponification reaction • Be capable of calculating the glycerol concentration in the finished soap product • Assignment
7	Basic Chemistry : Acids and Bases	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a basic understanding of the five major players in the chemistry of soap-making • Be capable of identifying acids that prevent DOS and soap-scum in cold-process soap • Have an understanding of the reaction between a base and an acid to produce a salt. • Assignment
8	Basic Chemistry : Oil and Water	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the interaction between oil and water • Understand the difference between solutions and emulsions • Assignment

Theme 02

Master Class

2.1 Course Outline

Course Title	Master Class (Theme 02)
Study Credits	100/400
Trainer	Mrs. Jacqueline Hurley, Owner, Artisan Soap Maker, Qualified Adult Educator
Course Location	Institut de Formation de Savonnerie, 13 Rue du château, 82160 Caylus, South West France
Location contact details	T: +33641220290. WhatsApp +33641220290 Email institutdesavonneriesaf@gmail.com W: institutdeformationdesavonnerie.com
Course Aims	This theme builds upon the learning from Theme 1 by focussing on evaluating the properties of finished soap and the properties of the raw materials that go into making the soap..
Course Objectives	Mastering the material in this theme will enable participants to : <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calculate or experimentally measure the moisture concentration of soap• Experimentally measure the alkali concentration in soap to determine whether it is excessively alkaline.• Compensate for raw materials that have absorbed moisture• Titrate suspect lye, caustic soda and take action to eradicate the build up of sodium carbonate.• Determine if stock fats and oils have decomposed, become rancid and unfit for use.• Choose appropriate preservatives to extend the product shelf life, free from DOS
Course Description	This theme's goal focusses on quality control and quality assurance to ensure that the product is free of defects that might render it unfit for its intended use and to ensure that defects in the raw materials or procedures do not lead to defects in the finished soap product. This is a critical theme for those participants wishing to launch their product on the worldwide market.

2.1 Course Outline

Course Duration / Course Fee	14 hours 1,000 euros VAT exempt.
Course Target Audience	Persons undergoing career conversion into the cosmetic industry, people setting up or taking over agricultural, craft, commercial or self-employed businesses, whether or not they are already in business. Responsible Persons (RP) under the context of the Cosmetic Product Regulations
Prerequisites	Minimum age 18 years Participants must have a basic understanding of mathematics, be capable of solving calculations using a calculator, be self-motivated and take responsibility for their personal development. A fluency in English or French is required. The course is not suitable for pregnant women or women who are breast-feeding.
Group size	This course is taught on a 1-2-1 private basis, 1 participant per course
Resources to be provided by participant	Laptop with wifi connectivity. Personal Protective Equipment: Lab coat, safety glasses, hairnet, shoe covers, face mask, chemical resistant gloves (a sufficient stock for the course duration), Personal notebook and pen Examples of soap produced by the participant either prior to or during the course
Additional expenses for the account of the participant	Accommodation, Meals Transportation to and from the training venue
Learning resources	Instructional textbook « Scientific Soap-making » Dr. Kevin M Dunn (included in course fee) Laboratory Notebook (included in course fee) Lab raw materials, ingredients and equipment
Teaching Aids	Laptop Flipchart and coloured pens Lab raw materials, ingredients and equipment

2.1 Course Outline

Instructional Methods	<p>A combination of teaching methods will be used to suit the needs of the participant. These include :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Presentations and lectures2. Discussions: Involvement of students by provoking critical thinking and verbal interactions through Question and Answer sessions. Will be accomplished individually.3. Theoretical assignments and practicals4. 6 months 1-2-1 follow-up distance coaching by email, telephone, video-conference etc.
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2.1 Course Content

Module	Title	Learning Credits	Objectives
1	Quality Control	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand simple techniques to determine the moisture content of a finished soap product• Be capable of conducting practical quality control tests to determine the total alkali in a finished soap product.• Understand why and how soda ash may form on the body of the soap product and describe methods to prevent this formation• Assignment
2	Quality Assurance	65	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand the impact moisture impurities can have on raw bases and techniques to eradicate such problems• Be capable of titrating suspect lye and caustic soda• Know the techniques to test a suspect oil for abnormal free fatty acid concentrations caused by chemical changes during processing, shipping and storage.• Explain the techniques to determine the real saponification value of an oil or fat and why this is important• Understand lye discounting to produce a tongue neutral soap.• Assignment

Theme 03

Cosmetic Regulation

3.1 Course Outline

Course Title	Cosmetic Regulation CE1223/2009 and its annexes
Study Credits	135/400
Trainer	Mrs. Jacqueline Hurley, Owner, Artisan Soap Maker, Qualified Adult Educator
Course Location	Institut de Formation de Savonnerie, 13 Rue du château, 82160 Caylus, South West France
Location contact details	T: +33641220290. WhatsApp +33641220290 Email institutdesavonneriesaf@gmail.com W: institutdeformationdesavonnerie.com
Course Aims	This theme will enable participants to produce cosmetic products that conform to the European Regulation N° 1223/2009 and its annexes, which are formulated, manufactured and marketed on a worldwide scale. The theme further enables participants to implement a quality management system that conforms to ISO 22716 and the European Regulation N° 1223/2009 and its annexes.
Course Objectives	Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Conform to the Cosmetic Product Regulation CE1223/2009 and its annexes as applied for cosmetic product producers▪ Understand the key requirements of the Regulation▪ Understand the practical implications for manufacturing facilities and own-brand labellers.▪ Produce a compliant Product Label▪ Create a Product Information File (PIF) autonomously▪ Implement a quality management system that gives Europe what it wants.▪ Understand how to register cosmetic products destined for the European market on the European Cosmetic Portal.
Course Description	<p>This theme covers cosmetic compliance including safety, evaluation, marketing, labelling, ingredient and quality checks for cosmetic regulation around the world. Cosmetic regulations differ around the world:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• cosmetic claims used in marketing• cosmetic ingredient lists on labels• permitted cosmetic ingredients• what is a cosmetic product <p>Participants wishing to sell a cosmetic product need to comply in whichever country they are selling it in. This theme teaches how to comply with cosmetic regulations in the EU and UK markets. This theme is ideal for those with a Cosmetic Brand looking to export cosmetics, as well as those working for companies selling cosmetic products in the EU and UK.</p>

3.1 Course Outline

Course Duration / Course Fee	14 hours 1,000 euros VAT exempt.
Course Target Audience	Persons undergoing career conversion into the cosmetic industry, people setting up or taking over agricultural, craft, commercial or self-employed businesses, whether or not they are already in business. Responsible Persons (RP) under the context of the Cosmetic Product Regulations
Prerequisites	Minimum entry age 18 years. A fluency in English or French is required
Group size	This course is taught on a 1-2-1 private basis, 1 participant per course
Resources to be provided by participant	Laptop with wifi connectivity. Personal notebook and pen
Additional expenses for the account of the participant	Accommodation, Meals Transportation to and from the training venue
Learning resources	Printed resource - IFS Module 3 EN
Teaching Aids	Laptop Flipchart and coloured pens Teaching module 3 EN
Instructional Methods	A combination of teaching methods will be used to suit the needs of the participant. These include : 1. Presentations, Q&A and lectures 2. Personal work 3. Theoretical assignments 4. 6 months 1-2-1 follow-up distance coaching by email, telephone, video-conference etc.

3.1 Course Outline

Module	Title	Learning Credits	Objectives
1	Regulation on Cosmetic Products and their Safety	40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the EU's Common Market & Industry Regulation • Understand the critical responsibilities inferred by the regulation on the Responsible Person (RP) • Understand the Cosmetic Product Regulation (Product Information File), compliance statements, data collection • Interrogate COSING and REACH databases for regulated substances (Cosmetovigilance) • Understand ingredient descriptors for non-saponified ingredients (INCI, EC, CAS etc) • Understand ingredient descriptors for saponified ingredients • Know how to conduct effective product stability testing at home • Understand how to register finished products on the European Cosmetic Portal • Assignment
2	Packaging, labelling, product claims and efficacy	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand packaging requirements, packaging information requirements for cosmetic products • Understand the legalities about the efficacy of a cosmetic product, usage instructions, precautions for use and product claims. • Demonstrate how to produce a soap label that conforms to the Regulation •
3	The Product Information File, Safety Assessment	50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire a clear vision of the organisation of a Product Information File and the collection of supportive data • Draft a PIF based on a pre-conceived formulation and the finished product's quality data • Understand the role of a safety assessor, how to select a safety assessor, the important questions to ask before service retention • Assignment
4	Implement a quality management system	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the basics of quality management • Have a clear vision of the manufacturing procedures and processes that conform to ISO 22716 • Know how to implement a quality management system that complies with the Cosmetic Regulations • Assignment

Theme 4

Options

4.1 Options

In addition to the 3 themes described above which together award you the distinction of **IFS Master Soapmaker**, we offer additional themes to further enhance your skills and put your business ahead of the competition. These themes do not fall into our study credit framework.

The themes are interlinked, but not strictly consecutive – any theme provides a benefit on its own. If you wish, you can incorporate one, some or all of the following themes into your personal course content. This of course will extend your proposed course duration as well as increasing the overall price of your course, depending upon the theme or themes to be integrated.

Please ask us for a quote.

Theme 4 : Module 1: Business Planning for the micro soap business : 7 hours

Module 2: Accessibility of establishments open to the public (ERP). *Highly recommended if you are considering opening your business in France* : 4 hours

Module 3: Potassium soap (soft, liquid, cream soaps, etc.) : 21 hours

Module 4: Shampoos and conditioners based on natural surfactants : 14 hours

Module 5: Hot processed soap and rebatching : 7 hours

Module 6 : Soap Art, advanced marbling and swirling techniques, soap paste modelling : 14 hours

Your candidacy

Application process

5.1 Your candidacy

PART A1: REQUEST A QUOTE

This simple process only takes a minute. We will send you a basic quote for the 3 study themes needed to attain our « Master Soapmaker Diploma ». At this step, the quote is **generic** and in most cases is not tailored to your individual requirements.

The quote is valid for 3 months. If you accept this initial quote, the next step is to complete the Placement Test during the validity of the quote.

PART A2: APPLICATION: COMPLETION OF THE ON-LINE PLACEMENT TEST (PT)

This is the most crucial stage of the application process, as your answers give us an indication of your commitment, intention and motivation to see your project through to completion. It is therefore important that you provide as much detail as possible.

PART B: REVIEW OF YOUR APPLICATION

If your PT is acceptable to us, we will design you a personalised programme based on the results of your PT. This allows us greater flexibility in designing your programme, meaning that we can include or remove topics and modules that may or may not be relevant to your skill level, giving you a truly personalised programme that targets your key objectives and particular learning needs.

A document package that includes an enrolment form, your personalised course outline and revised quote is sent to you by email. This document package remains valid for 30 days, thereafter the quoted price cannot be guaranteed.

Please note that not all applicants are accepted onto our professional programmes. If your application is rejected, you will receive an e-mail explaining the reasons for the rejection. You can contest this refusal by contacting us to discuss your project in more detail.

PART C: YOUR REGISTRATION

If you wish to proceed, complete the enrolment form and send it with your 30% course fee deposit and the supporting documents indicated in the proposal to us.

Once your payment has cleared the banking system, we will then contact you to arrange your course start date.

PART D : START LEARNING

Whether you have opted for blended learning or 100% face-to-face learning, you will begin studying the **first 3 modules of Theme 1** remotely. The first module will be sent to you as soon as we receive your cleared deposit. Once you have completed the work and sent it back to us for assessment, the 2nd and 3rd modules will be sent to you for study prior to your course start date.

Services

Laboratory Rental

6.1 Laboratory rental

A UNIQUE CONCEPT

At the heart of the IFS premises is our training laboratory, which is fully equipped with all the tools and equipment required by a modern professional soap-maker. The lab is available for hire during the months of **November, December, January and February** each year.

It's a new trend that makes sense. The concept originated in the United States, where it has been widely used since the 1980s. Whatever the country or region, the aim of renting a labo-atelier is to provide professional soap-makers new to the career with a production site.

IT MAKES SENSE TO RENT

Hiring a professional lab and workshop has a number of advantages for soap-makers. By all means, you can invest in your own lab and can organise your activities as you see fit. On the other hand, you can rent a lab/workshop to drastically reduce your material and financial investment.

The rental option seems the ideal choice for soap-makers just starting out. It's an excellent way of validating your concept and taking the time to define your exact needs in terms of equipment. Leasing allows you to avoid (or postpone) the investment phase so that you can concentrate on your core business (production + sales).

WHO IS IT FOR?

Our former students who have studied with us at a professional level are given priority to access this innovative solution. This relates to our students who are looking to take their project forward post-course, whether at the innovation and development stage, the testing and research stage or the manufacturing and launch stage.

Second priority is given to professional soap-makers who have not been trained by us. The proposition is particularly aimed at those who are just starting out in their new professional adventure and who do not have the financial means to invest in their own laboratory.

Please note that we do not consider requests for producers of other cosmetic products.

EXAMPLE SITUATIONS WHEN YOU MIGHT WANT TO RENT

- Production of large quantities of soap for markets, weddings, Christmas, etc., or regular production of made-to-measure soaps (gîtes, B&Bs, spas, etc.).
- Development of new formulas (test phase or production).
- Trainers can organise courses for private or professional trainees.

6.1 Laboratory rental

ACCESS TO THE LABORATORY

Once a contract is agreed, signed and payment is received, tenants can use the laboratory and its equipment 7 days a week between November and February between the hours of 08:00 and 18:00 according to the duration stipulated in the contact. You must, at all times wear appropriate clothing (PPE) and bring your own raw materials.

INDUCTION TRAINING

In order to use our laboratory, you will need to attend a short introductory and orientation course given by us on the first day of your arrival.

The cost of the 30 minutes induction is €60, and is in addition to the hire charge.

PACKAGES

Two packages are available depending on your needs:

OCCASIONAL: Occasional users should opt for the occasional package.

REGULAR: The Regular package is for those who make at least one session per month for at least three months. Depending on your needs, it is possible to set up a multi-month commitment. With this package, you benefit from attractive rates, permanent storage space and priority on bookings.

	REGULER PLAN	PRICE	OCCASSIONAL PLAN	PRICE
Minimum session duration	7 hours		7 hours	
Minimum engagement	30 days consecutive or in blocks	27€ per hour or part thereof	1 day	40€ per hour or part thereof = 280€ for 7 hours
Maximum standard engagement	90 days consecutive or in blocks	19€ per hour or part thereof = 11,970€	5 days	30€ per hour or part thereof = 1050€ for 35 hours
Additional engagement	Please ask for a quotation		Please ask for a quotation	
Access times	08:00 to 18:00 7 days per week		08:00 to 18:00 Monday through to Saturday	
Stocking of material and equipment	Yes		No	
Stocking of products	Yes		No	
N° of people granted access	2		1	
Access to be granted for more than maximum stated	Please ask for a quotation		Please ask for a quotation	
Insurance	Not included in rental price. All costs for account of the hirer		Not included in rental price. All costs for account of the hirer	
Cleaning and disinfection of laboratory post hire period	60€ per hour or part thereof		60€ per hour or part thereof	
Mandatory Induction training	60€ per person		60€ per person	

6.1 Laboratory rental

YOUR CANDIDACY

To ensure that your project meets our criteria, the first step is to contact us for complete our application form, for you to complete. It must be submitted to us together with all the supporting documents requested. The application form indicates the documents you need to send us. Once we have received your application, an acknowledgement of receipt will be sent to you.

Within 48 hours of receipt, your application will be reviewed against our criteria and a decision will be made to accept or decline your application.

In some cases, we will need more information from you before making a decision, and a telephone call will be made to you.

For more information, please [contact us](#)

FAQS

What internal rules should I be aware of?

Working in a professional laboratory requires the implementation of strict hygiene and personal safety rules to guard against product contamination and ensure people's well-being. Our laboratory is no different. Details of our internal rules will be sent to you once your booking has been made and confirmed.

Is the laboratory up to standard and does it have the certificate required to market the products (certificate requested by the ANSEM)?

In accordance with local regulations, the laboratory is registered with ANSEM (as a soap factory) and DIRECTTE (as a training centre).

The ISO 22716 standard provides guidelines for good manufacturing practice (GMP) for cosmetic products and takes into account the specific needs of this sector. ISO 22716 certification is optional. At present, this option remains a future consideration.

The laboratory has been designed with regulatory requirements in mind.

I have other questions

Please [contact us](#) to discuss your requirements and get answers to your questions

Final words

Join our global family of responsible soap-makers by getting in touch with us today !

We guarantee you an enriching training experience !



Our IFS Diploma Master Soapmaker is a seal of quality, an assurance to your customers that your products have been made by a qualified, responsible professional in compliance with European cosmetics legislation.