

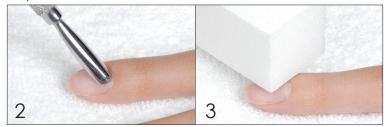
# Eco Gel & Powder

for Odor-Free



1. Sanitize Hands: Have clients scrub hands with Star Nail pH-balanced Sani Scrub. Dry thoroughly.

2. Using an implement, gently push back cuticle and remove excess debris from nail plate.

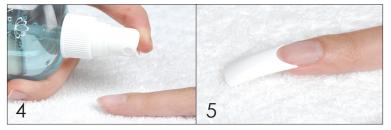


3. Prepare nails: Shape to desired length. Using a buffing block {220 grit}, buff the nail from cuticle to free edge. Be sure to buff the entire nail plate.

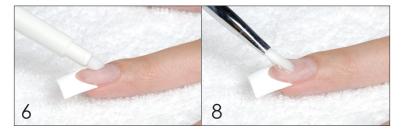
4. Sanitize nails with Star Nail Sani-Spray Antiseptic to dehydrate and sanitize the nail.

### **Tip Application**

5. Choose desired size and type of tip to be used. The tip can be welled out for an enhanced smile line. **\*NOTE: Adhere the tip to the nail and cut the tip, file to desired shape and length. For a French manicure look, use a white tip.** 



6. Use a Primer Pen on the natural nail only. Let the primer dry to a chalky white. Do not apply primer to tip or existing product.



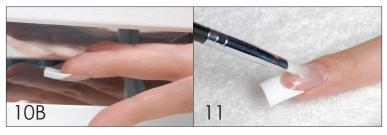
7. Using a gel brush, carefully scoop ECO Gel onto the tip of the brush into the ECO Strengthening Powder. There is no ratio, do not be afraid to over dip.

8. Apply a thin coat of ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder over the entire nail plate from the cuticle to the free edge. Like polishing a nail, push the ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder toward the cuticle {to get close to but not touching the skin} and slowly pull it to the free edge.

9. Cure for 3 minutes with the nail upside down facing directly at the light. You will need to turn your 9 watt UV light upside down. **Do not look into the UV Light.** 



10. Apply a second application of ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder in the middle of the nail and feather out to create an "arched effect" {arch location}. You will need to turn your 9 watt UV light upside down and cure the nails upside down. **\*KEYNOTE: During application, be sure the brush hairs do not "fan" out. If they do fan out, you are working the ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder too much and not enough ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder will be left on the nail plate to allow for shrinkage during curing. The result of this will be tiny craters where the ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder has pulled away during the curing process. Do not over-work the ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder as this will result in bubbles.** 



11. Apply a third coat of ECO Gel dipped in Strengthening Powder and go over the entire nail. Cure for three minutes. This third coat may or may not be necessary. Repeat this process on four fingers of the hand. Before curing, check your work again to be sure the entire nail plate is evenly covered with a thin layer of ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder. Check the cuticle and sidewall lines to be certain that no ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder is touching the skin, and if so, remove it with a birchwood stick. While you are curing one hand, start working on the other hand in the same manner.

12. Remove the hand from the light and clean the nails with the Finishing Wipe. This will remove the tacky layer on the top of the enhancement. Buff the nail with the gold ultra fine buffing block.

\*NOTE: Inspect nails for any uneven surface, and if "craters" are evident, apply one thin layer of ECO Gel and cure. Repeat step. After doing the four fingers on both hands, start on the thumbs.





13. Finish by applying Gel Seal and curing for three minutes.

## Sculpting With ECO Gel & Powder

Prepare nails following steps 1 - 4

5. Use Primer Pen on the natural nail only. Let primer dry to a chalky white.

6. Fit a nail form snugly under the nail. Check the form fit from a side view to be sure it is on straight.

7. Apply a thin coat of ECO Gel dipped into the ECO Gel Strengthening Powder over the entire natural nail and nail form to produce the desired length of nail. Flash cure for 30 seconds.

8. Apply a second application of ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder in the middle of the nail and feather out to create an arched effect {arch location}. Cure for 3 minutes with the nail upside down facing directly at the light. You will need to turn your 9 watt UV light upside down for this cure. **Do not look into the UV Light.** Proceed with the application on the other hand while the first hand is under the light.

9. Apply a third coat {optional} of ECO Gel dipped in Strengthening Powder and go over the entire nail. Cure for 3 minutes. Cleanse the nail with Finishing Wipe to remove the sticky surface residue.

10. Remove form and use a 240 grit file to shape the nail and then buff the nail with ultra fine gold buffing block.

11. Cleanse the nail with Finishing Wipe and apply UV Gel Sealer and cure for 3 minutes. Polished if desired.

### MAINTENANCE

Maintenance should be done when nails are cracked, chipped, or grown out. ECO Gel nails should be maintained every 2-4 weeks.

 Wash hands with pH-balanced Sani Scrub. Remove any polish on the nails.
Gently file the growth area and blend with the natural nail. Do not pull or pry away product with cuticle nippers.

3. Gently push back the cuticle and remove any overgrowth.

4. Buff the new growth area with gold ultra fine buffing block. Shape the nail with a 240-grit nail fine. Buff away surface layer of existing ECO Gel to remove shine. Use primer pen on the natural nail new growth only.

5. Spray nail with Sani Spray and wipe with lint-free pad.

6. Apply ECO Gel dipped into ECO Gel Strengthening Powder onto new growth area of natural nail only.

7. Cure nails for 3 minutes. Do not remove tacky layer.

8. Apply a second coat of ECO Gel with Strengthening Powder to the entire nail from working from cuticle to free edge.

9. Cure nails again for 3 minutes.

10. Apply a third coat {optional} if desired.

- 11. Remove tacky layer with Star Nail Finishing Wipe.
- 12. Apply a coat of UV Gel Sealer and cure for three minutes.

### REMOVAL

The preferred way to remove ECO Gel is by growing or filing it off the nail. Picking, pulling, or prying the product can result in damage to the nail plate. Simply file to remove the remainder of the product or file it so thin that it is not noticeable and can be grown off without any damage to the nail.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION WHEN USING ANY UV GEL

• For Best results use a lamp with 9 watt bulb or bulbs.

• Instruct your client not to file their nails after application. This can result in a broken seal at the edge, which will initiate chipping or peeling of the ECO Gel.

• Should any ECO Gel get on the skin or cuticle, stop and wipe the area thoroughly with a pad moistened with Finishing Wipe. This will minimize the chances of allergic reaction or skin irritation.

• Replace the UV lamp bulb regularly to ensure efficient curing of the gel. It is recommended to keep an extra bulb on hand as UV bulbs don't "burn out" like ordinary incandescent bulb. Even though a bulb may appear to be normal, it could be weak resulting in uncured product. A good time to change the bulb is twice the year when moving clocks to or from daylight savings time or if you use your lamp all the time, then 3-4 times per year.

• Periodically clean the UV lamp bulb with Finishing Wipe to remove dust. Be sure the lamp is unplugged and the bulb has cooled down.

• UV lamps with bulbs of less than 6 watts may require longer curing time for the gel and are not recommended.

• ECO Gel should be at room temperature before application. Trick: storing gel in cooler temperatures will limit the self leveling into the skin.

• Hands should be at normal temperature before application. i.e.: Not cold.

