

1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE)⁽¹⁾

Zeugnis Heilmasseur / Heilmasseurin

⁽¹⁾ in original language

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)⁽²⁾

Certificate Therapeutic Masseur

⁽²⁾ This translation has no legal status.

3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Autonomous performance of

- classic massage
 - pack applications (in particular, poultices, hot and cold packs)
 - thermotherapy (applying heat or coldness for therapeutic purposes, in particular by heat conduction, thermal radiation, energy transformation, heat removal)
 - ultrasound therapy (applying sound waves at a frequency of 20 kHz to 10 GHz for therapeutic purposes)
 - special massages (in particular, lymphatic drainage, reflex massage, acupoint massage)
- for therapeutic purposes on a doctor's orders

For blind masseurs:

Autonomous performance of

- classic massage
 - special massages
- for therapeutic purposes on a doctor's orders

4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE⁽³⁾

- As a self-employed person
- as an employee of hospitals or sanatoria; as an employee of other establishments under medical management or supervision that specialise in the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of diseases or in the nursing of persons needing care; as an employee of medical practitioners; as an employee of self-employed physiotherapists

Pursuit of regulated professions on a self-employed basis:

Upon notification of the district administrative authority according to Art. 46 of the *Medizinische Masseur- und Heilmasseurgesetz* (Clinical and Therapeutic Masseur Act), therapeutic masseurs are entitled to work on a self-employed basis.

⁽³⁾ if applicable

(*) Explanatory note

This document has been developed with a view to providing additional information on individual certificates; it has no legal effect in its own right. These explanatory notes refer to the Council Resolution no. 2241/2004/EG of the European parliament and the Council of 15 December 2004 on a single Community framework for the transparency of qualifications and competences (Europass).

Any section of these notes which the issuing authorities consider irrelevant may remain blank.

More information on transparency is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> or www.europass.at

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE	
Name and status of the body awarding the certificate Training programme for therapeutic masseurs; for the address, see the certificate	Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection
Level of the certificate (national or international) ISCED 351 Certificate in terms of the Directive 2005/36/EC Article 11 (b)	Grading scale / Pass requirements <u>Theoretical instruction:</u> excellent (1); good (2); satisfactory (3); sufficient (4); not sufficient (5) <u>Practical training:</u> pass with distinction; good pass; pass; fail <u>Overall rating of the performance at the final examination:</u> pass with distinction; good pass; pass; fail
Access to next level of education/training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vocational Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Berufsreifeprüfung) • Training for teaching tasks • Specialised courses on electrotherapy as well as hydrotherapy and balneotherapy • Qualified Medical Assistant 	International agreements
Legal basis <i>Medizinisches Masseur- und Heilmasseurgesetz</i> (Clinical and Therapeutic Masseur Act), BGBl. (Federal Law Gazette) I No. 169/2002, as amended <i>Medizinische Masseur- und Heilmasseur-Ausbildungsverordnung</i> (Ordinance on Training for Clinical and Therapeutic Masseurs), BGBl. (Federal Law Gazette) II No. 250/2003	

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training at a training programme for therapeutic masseurs under the <i>Medizinische Masseur- und Heilmasseur-Ausbildungsverordnung</i> (Ordinance on Training for Clinical and Therapeutic Masseurs)
<p>Additional information:</p> <p>Entry requirements: Qualification to work as a clinical masseur. The institution offering the additional training module decides on admission.</p> <p>Duration of education/theoretical instruction (including practical exercises): 800 hours (additional training module) <u>Subjects 720 hours:</u> law and ethics; anatomy and physiology; pathology; hygiene and environmental protection; first aid; general physics; communication; documentation; massage techniques for therapeutic purposes (adjusted to diseases and conditions from the clinical areas of surgery, accident surgery, sports medicine, orthopaedics, internal medicine, rheumatology, gynaecology, paediatrics, neurology, psychiatry, intensive care, geriatrics) <u>Practical exercises 80 hours:</u> massage techniques for therapeutic purposes with particular reference to specific diseases and conditions from the clinical areas mentioned above</p> <p>Education objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing the qualifications required for taking over and performing all activities covered by the profession • providing knowledge on the anatomy, development, functions and diseases of the human body in line with the fields of activities • promoting a basic mindset respecting the life, dignity and fundamental rights of all human beings irrespective of their nationality, ethnic or social origin, race, age, sex, language, religion or political opinion, and responsible, autonomous and humane treatment of healthy, disabled, diseased and dying people • providing knowledge and learning how to apply methods to maintain one's own health potential • providing knowledge on communication and co-operation in personal, technical and other socially relevant fields <p>More information (including a description of the national qualification system) is available at: www.zeugnisinfo.at and www.edusystem.at</p> <p>National Europass Center: europass@oead.at Ebendorferstraße 7, A-1010 Wien; Tel. + 43 1 53408-684 or 685</p>