

5 WHITE GEL POLISH MISTAKES TO AVOID

White hides nothing — it shows every mistake. These are the five I see most often, why they happen, and the fix for each.

1

Applying white over an uneven surface

Bumps and leftover old product show straight through white. Gel polish cannot fix an uneven nail.

Fix → Get a smooth base first: remove old material well and lightly buff for white & pastel before any color.

2

Messy cuticle work & leftover pterygium

You can't create a clean line near the cuticle — and leaving a gap of space doesn't hide the problem, it shows it.

Fix → Push back and clean the cuticle area properly, and remove the pterygium from the nail plate.

3

Too much product & thick layers

Trying to cover unevenness with more gel makes nails thick and heavy — and thick white often won't cure properly.

Fix → Thin layers, a near-dry brush, and a controlled amount. Two thin coats — never three.

4

Skipping the final file

The shape and free edge look soft and unfinished, and the whole pedicure looks less polished.

Fix → A light file after the top coat sharpens the shape and lifts the entire result.

5

Using the wrong gel polish

A runny, low-pigment white streaks and needs too many coats to cover.

Fix → Choose a highly pigmented, rich, creamy, enamel-like white — full coverage in two thin layers.