

EU Region

FAQs Exams recovery

Where can I find more info about my exam session (venue, hour, etc.)?

You will be sent a session timetable with all information required for the test day (venue, hour of arrival, time of test, etc.). If you do not receive any communication three days before the exam please contact your test centre immediately.

You will also receive a message from the test centre outlining the safety measures and requirements for the test day.

Is it safe for me to take an English test with the British Council? // I am enrolled for an exam session – what health / protection measures do you have in place?

The health of our test takers and staff is our priority. Before we open any test centre:

- We ensure that we are following all local government safety guidelines as well as those of the British Council.
- We brief our test centre staff so they are up to date on what to do and how to prepare for the arrival of test takers.

We have put the following measures in place to make our test centres as safe as possible:

- Test venues will be cleaned thoroughly prior to each test session.
- In the case of computer-delivered tests all equipment will be sanitised prior to each session.
- Our staff will be wearing masks.
- You will be required to wear a mask and maintain a 1.5 m physical distance at all times.
- If you would like to, you may also wear latex gloves although this is not required.
- We will provide sanitisers throughout the test venue and we ask that all test takers use them regularly or wash their hands to help ensure a safe environment.
- We will not provide pens or pencils to test takers who will be asked to bring their own stationery on the test day.

Do I need to wear face mask at your premises?

It is mandatory for all candidates to wear masks in all areas of the venue, e.g. waiting areas, registration and check-in areas, cloakroom areas, when being taken to their desks in the test room or when going to the bathroom. As cases of Covid-19 are on the rise again, in order to ensure heightened safety at the test venue, it is now required to wear masks throughout the whole test session – i.e. from entry into the exam venue to exit post-test.

Is there any limit on the number of customers inside your office/exam premises?

Most of our offices, even in places where we have already re-opened delivery of exams, are currently not open to the public.

Test venues have limits on numbers of candidates that can be seated there. This will depend on local government regulations and the size of the venue. As we are maintaining physical distancing at all test venues, we will be able to accommodate fewer candidates than before Covid-19.

Do you provide gloves and disinfecting hand gel?

We will have hand sanitisers located at different points at the test venue. We will also ensure that there is liquid soap in the bathrooms so that test takers can wash their hands.

We will not be providing masks, but test takers will be required to bring their own on the test day.

We will not be providing latex gloves. You can bring your own but they are not mandatory.

How I can contact Customer Service?

Contact us: exams@britishcouncil.ch