

International English Language Testing System

General Information

What is the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)?

IELTS is the world's most popular English testing system. It is widely recognized both by private corporations and the Hong Kong government as proof of English proficiency. There are two types of IELTS test: IELTS Academic and IELTS General Training. To apply for higher education in an English speaking environment, you will need to take the **IELTS Academic Module**.

Key facts

Band score range: 1-9

Test format: written & speaking test

No. of papers: 4 (Listening, Reading, Writing and Speaking)

Length: 2 hrs 45 mins

Test Dates

IELTS tests are up to four times a month. Registration will close 10 days prior to the test date. Please note that places are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and the registration will be closed once the session is full.

The Listening, Reading and Writing components of all IELTS tests are completed on the same day, with no breaks in between them. The Speaking component, however, can be completed up to a week before or after the other tests. Your test centre will advise.

Book Your Test

You can book your test via <https://www.britishcouncil.hk/en/exam/ielts>

Test Fee

The current IELTS test fee is HK\$ 2,090 in Hong Kong.

Results

You will be able to preview your results online from 7 a.m. onwards on the 13th day after the main test day. IELTS Test Report Form (TRF) will be sent out by local courier, free of charge, on the 13th day after the test. Test scores are recorded on the TRF, showing overall ability, as well as performance in listening, reading, writing and speaking.