

## **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\$1,930 in Hong Kong. The IELTS test fee for sessions from 1 September 2017 onwards is HK\$2,010 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.