



Accepted Language Proficiency Tests and Minimum Scores

The following language proficiency tests and minimum scores are in place for applicants whose first language is not English:

1. The Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): iBT only -- test must be within the last two years -- overall score of 76 with no score lower than 20 in Speaking and Listening and no score lower than 18 in Reading and Writing.
2. International English Language Testing System (IELTS): Academic or General -- test must be within the last two years -- overall score of 6 with no score lower than 6 in Speaking and Listening and no score lower than 5.5 in Reading and Writing.
3. Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELPIP): General -- test must be within the last two years -- 7 or better in Speaking and Listening and 6 or better in Reading and Writing.

Please note: In cases where applicants already hold CELBAN results (testing within the last 2 years), the following minimum scores will be accepted: Speaking 7, Listening 7, Reading 6, Writing 6.

Language Proficiency Tests Information

*please note that the following information has been taken from external sources and the BC Care Aide & Community Health Worker Registry cannot verify the ongoing accuracy of this information. Testing centres should be contacted directly to confirm test availability, costs and details.

Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) iBT

TOEFL iBT Price is \$245.00

The total test time is 4 hours.

Printed score reports are mailed **approximately 13 days** after test date.

[LINK TO TOEFL FAQ](#)

[LINK TO TOEFL LOCATIONS & UPCOMING SITTINGS](#)

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

IELTS Price: \$295 CAD + tax

The total test time is 2 hours and 45 minutes.

Results released: Test Report Forms are posted to candidates 13 calendar days after test date

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[LINK TO IELTS LOCATIONS & UPCOMING SITTINGS](#)

Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELPIP)

CELPIP Price: \$280 CAD + tax

Total test time allotted is 210 min or 3.5 hours.

Results released: Scores are posted online within 8 business days after the scheduled test date.

[LINK TO CELPIP FAQ](#)

[LINK TO CELPIP LOCATIONS & UPCOMING SITTINGS](#)