

## **Declaration**

- I acknowledge that the IELTS test is jointly owned by British Council, IELTS Australia Pty Ltd (ABN 84 008 664 766), which is wholly owned by IDP Education Ltd ('IDP: IELTS Australia') and Cambridge Assessment English (part of the University of Cambridge), collectively referred to as the IELTS Test Partners.
- 2. I acknowledge that I have read the IELTS Information for Candidates booklet.
- 3. I acknowledge that I have read the 'IELTS Notice to Candidates' in this Application Form and agree to abide by the IELTS test terms and conditions.
- 4. I understand that there may be local terms and conditions that I must comply with and that the test centre will provide details of these on request.
- 5. I understand that if the details on this Application Form are not completed my application may not be processed. I further understand that completing and submitting this form does not guarantee registration on my preferred test date or at my preferred test location. I understand that my registration will be confirmed in writing within 24 hours by the test centre. I further understand that I will be contacted in the event that a test date cannot be made available to me within 28 days of placing my application.
- 6. I certify that the information in my application is complete, true and accurate.

## **Personal Information**

I understand that:

- 7. It is necessary for my personal information to be collected and processed in order for me to take the IELTS test, to verify my identity and to receive my results. This personal information is collected and securely stored when I apply for and when I take the IELTS test and is used by the IELTS Test Partners for the purpose of the IELTS test.
- 8. My personal information, including, without limitation, test performance or score data and my test result may be disclosed by the IELTS Test Partners to Recognising Organisations to which I apply and to governments (including visa processing authorities) for the purpose of allowing these organisations to verify my test result.
- 9. My personal information may be processed in an anonymous form by the IELTS Test Partners for statistical and research purposes.
- 10. My photograph will be taken by the test centre on test day and will appear on my Test Report Form. This photograph will be provided to any Recognising Organisations or government authorities to which I apply, to allow these organisations to verify my test result.
- 11. I will be required to verify my identity on test day by providing the identity document specified by the test centre. I may also be requested to confirm my identity on test day by having a finger scan taken. The finger scan is taken as a Binary Large Object (BLOB), and no image of my fingerprint will be held. This biometric data will be held for 60 days after my test and will not be disclosed to any entity except the IELTS Test Partners.
- 12. My Speaking test will be recorded. In the event the test does not record I will be required to retake the Speaking test. An observer may attend my Speaking test as part of the examiner monitoring process.
- 13. I may be filmed by CCTV for security and quality assurance purposes when registering for the test and during the test. The video footage will be held for a period of 60 days after my test and may be used for audit or investigation purposes. The footage may also be shared with government agencies for those purposes.
- 14. I can access further details on how the IELTS Test Partners use my personal information (including how long it is retained in different circumstances and how I can exercise my rights) at <a href="mailto:ielts.org/privacy">ielts.org/privacy</a>.

## Test Fees and Refunds

I understand that:

- 15. I will be charged the full test fee upon registration.
- 16. If I request a transfer or cancel my test, my right to a refund will be determined in accordance with local legislation.

## Test Integrity, Security and Malpractice

I understand that:

- 17. I must attend all four test sections in order to receive a test result and any exception to this must be approved in advance by the test centre.
- 18. The IELTS Test Partners have a responsibility to all candidates and Recognising Organisations to ensure the highest confidence in IELTS test results.

  The IELTS Test Partners may therefore be required to withhold test results temporarily or permanently, or to cancel test results which have been issued, if they consider those results to be unreliable for any reason.
- 19. My test result may not be issued 13 days (paper-based) or 3–5 days (computer-delivered) after the test if any of the IELTS Test Partners consider it necessary to review any matter associated with my test or the administration of my test, including making enquiries as to whether any rules or regulations have been breached. I may be required to provide additional samples of my writing and speaking for the purposes of assisting any investigation before or after the test. In exceptional circumstances, I may be required to retake one or more IELTS components.
- 20. If I am suspected of engaging in any form of malpractice, if I refuse to comply with reasonable requests to inspect personal items, or if I do anything that might damage the integrity and security of IELTS, I may not receive a test result, my test fee will not be refunded and I may be banned from taking the IELTS test in the future. If I am banned, I will receive a notification stating the length of the ban. If I am subject to a ban and I register to take the test, I will not receive a test result and I will not be entitled to a refund. If a result is issued to me while I am subject to a ban, this result will be cancelled and I will not be entitled to a refund.
- 21. Details of any proven or suspected malpractice may be provided to Recognising Organisations, including governments (including visa processing authorities) and appropriate regulatory authorities, and centrally to the IELTS Test Partners. In instances where malpractice has been proven, I may be liable to prosecution.
- 22. The work I produce in the IELTS test remains the property of the IELTS Test Partners and will not be released to me. In cases of proven or suspected malpractice my work may be provided to relevant authorities.

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