

i·DAT[®]
International Diagnostic & Admissions Test

For
Scholarship Students

Test Taker Handbook

SECURE 360

ONLINE TESTING SYSTEM



www.idat.org

July 2022

Important Notes

- ✓ Tintern Grammar requests that any student who takes the IDAT assessment, does so for the purpose of Tintern scholarships only. Any student who independently registers and takes the fully paid test does so understanding that if they take the test for Tintern Grammar as well, Tintern Grammar will be informed that they have taken the test multiple times. This may affect the student's ability to be successful in the Tintern Grammar's scholarships application process.
- ✓ There will be NO sharing of results. Test results will only be disclosed to Tintern Grammar, Victoria.



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01. Test Structure

The IDAT test has four sections namely, **English, Mathematics, Global Knowledge** and **Character**. Please go to test structure page www.idat.org/idat-test-format/ to see the test format, question numbers and estimated time for each section.



English

Reading & Writing

The English curriculum for IDAT assesses grammar, vocabulary, punctuation, phonics and spelling through multiple-choice questions. The writing is conducted using a keyboard with students needing to demonstrate comprehensive English skills, text type knowledge, sentence creation and variance and appropriate register, as required of the tasks. The reading texts, as appropriate to age and grade level, require students to identify themes, details, characters, literary devices and understanding.

Speaking & Listening

You may find other sections under the English test on IDAT website, such as speaking and listening (interview). Please be advised these components **DO NOT** apply to Tintern Grammar scholarship test.

Duration

Stage 2 - 60 mins

Stage 3 - 65 mins

Stage 4 - 70 mins

Stage 5 - 80 mins



Mathematics

Students will complete between 14-24 multiple-choice maths problems. They will have 2-3 questions per type of maths listed on the outline of the Stage test. The test includes algebra, geometry, measurement, statistics, equations, etc., and the test will comprehensively examine students' mathematical knowledge and problem-solving skills. For questions requiring a calculator, the calculator will appear on the screen for students to use.

Duration

Stage 2 - 20 mins

Stage 3 - 25 mins

Stage 4 - 25 mins

Stage 5 - 35 mins



Global Knowledge

The Global Knowledge test has three sections with three main outcomes to assess. The sections are Logic (including transformation, patterns, problem-solving and deductive skills), science, and technology. The logic component helps to demonstrate a student's cognitive strengths. The Social Sciences portion of the test is not only a chance to test students on material that is common for their age and class at the current time, it is also a chance for students to prepare and study content area for the IDAT.

Please refer to our website '**Prepare for the test**' page for the current list of topics. Students are encouraged to study and commit to memory facts, figures, dates, and definitions that pertain to this topic. Not only will this demonstrate school learning and retention, it will also show that a student is able to study and learn in a school environment for assessment purposes.

Duration

Stage 2 - 15 mins

Stage 3 - 15 mins

Stage 4 - 15 mins

Stage 5 - 15 mins



Character

The character test is a positive experience for students as they self-assess their attitudes, appetites and aptitudes in communication, creative thinking, risk-taking and collaboration. The students complete easy multiple-choice and ranking activities which, when consolidated, make positive statements to help schools get to know their students and their executive skills.

Duration

Stage 2 - 20 mins

Stage 3 - 20 mins

Stage 4 - 20 mins

Stage 5 - 20 mins

02. Find your IDAT test stage and format

Test stage & current stage	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4	Stage 5
Applying for	Year 5	Year 7 & 8	Year 9 & 10	Year 11
Total test time	115 Minutes	125 Minutes	130 Minutes	150 Minutes
English Reading & Writing	Comprehension of short stories for detail and main idea Write a narrative using compound and simple sentences Apostrophes & Question Marks Parts of Speech Suffixes, Prefixes & High-Frequency Words Phonics Spelling	Reading comprehension for information, summary and purpose Text types: procedures, narratives, explanatory and argumentative Complex sentences Commas Direct & indirect speech Modals & phrases Verb tenses (present, past, future, perfect & passive) Idioms, Noun phrases, & Root Words Spelling	Reading and critically comparing two similar texts Reading for theme, summary, purpose and point of view Text types: explanatory, argumentative and informative Paragraph constructions and varied sentence types Nuance words and infrequent vocabulary Spelling of longer words	Reading to compare and contrast Reading for comprehension and point of view Reading and evaluating classical writing and literary devices Text types: explanatory, argumentative and informative Colons & Semi-Colons Paragraphs, linking words and flow in writing Refined vocabulary Idioms, euphemisms & slang Spelling
English Listening & Speaking	Speaking and listening DO NOT apply to Tintern Grammar scholarship test.			
Mathematics	Problem Solving 2D Geometry Angles Measurement - Time Measurement - Length Addition & Subtraction Multiplication & Division Fractions & Decimals	3D Geometry 2D Geometry Angles Measurement - Length & Space Numbers - Place Value Addition & Subtraction Multiplication & Division Fractions Decimals	Addition Division Algebra Integers - Ordering Decimals Fractions Subtraction Multiplication Problem Solving Measurement & Geometry	Equations Patterns & Algebra Lines & Polygons Transformation Chance, Rate & Ration Fractions & Decimals Algebraic Fractions Whole Numbers Area & Volume Time & Scale Means, Graphs & Tables
Global knowledge	Logic – IQ style testing of patterns, space and problem solving. Science Technology			
Character	Self-awareness Risk-taking, Adaptation & Resiliency	Creativity & Problem Solving Communication & Empathy		



Critical Thinking

Students will be assessed on their abilities to critically analyse, express and reflect in their writing and character section. Critical thinking is an essential skill for leadership and a highly valued part of the IDATSS.

The IDAT for Scholarships Students incorporates a score and assessment of students' critical thinking abilities into the writing, and character test. This assessing is done by qualitative assessors who review the Critical Thinking Descriptors and apply this criterion to students' written replies in the test. Students will be assessed on the original thoughts and ideas they can demonstrate in their writing in the test. They should try to demonstrate their abilities to think independently, share original ideas, and express their own point of view. Please click the button to see our descriptors to understand how to achieve high scores for critical thinking.

[→ Critical Thinking Qualitative Descriptors](#)

03. IDAT scholarship test date and time

Date	Applicants	Shift	Test Start Time	No. of Applicants
19 Sep 2022 (Monday)	Year 3 applicants for Year 5 entry	Shift 1	9:30	9
		Shift 2	11:30	9
		Shift 3	13:00	9
		Shift 4	16:00	9
		Shift 5	18:00	9
20 Sep 2022 (Tuesday)	Year 5 applicants for Year 7 entry	Shift 1	9:30	9
		Shift 2	11:30	9
		Shift 3	13:00	9
		Shift 4	16:00	9
		Shift 5	18:00	9
21 Sep 2022 (Wednesday)	Year 5 applicants for Year 7 entry	Shift 1	9:30	9
		Shift 2	11:30	9
		Shift 3	13:00	9
		Shift 4	16:00	9
		Shift 5	18:00	9
22 Sep 2022 (Thursday)	Year 6-9 applicants for Year 8-11 entry	Shift 1	9:30	9
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		Shift 3	13:00	9
		Shift 4	16:00	9
		Shift 5	18:00	9



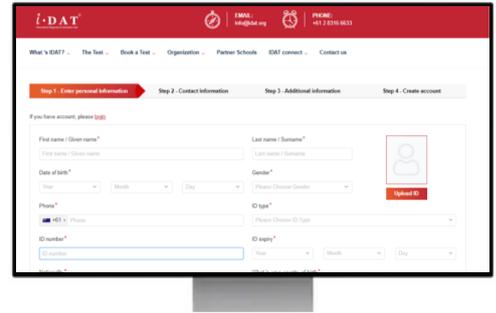
* This test time table is valid for 2022 **Tintern Grammar scholarship tests** only.

* Please **EMAIL** to info@idat.org directly if you cannot fit in the designated dates, additional tests can be scheduled on Friday 23rd and Saturday 24th September 2022.

04. Register your IDAT account

1 Enter personal information

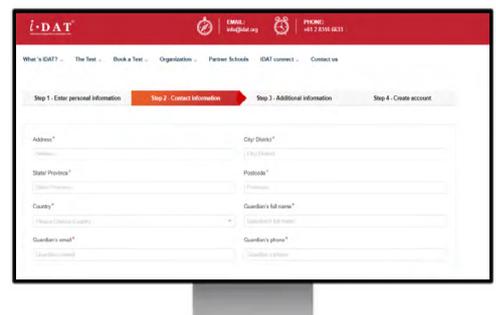
Fill in all required sections. Make sure you upload a valid photo ID (Passport or ID card). For students who do not have a photo ID. Please email info@idat.org as soon as possible.



The screenshot shows the 'Step 1: Enter personal information' form. It includes fields for First name, Last name, Date of birth, Gender, Phone, ID type, ID number, and ID expiry. There is a 'Upload ID' button and a placeholder for a photo ID.

2 Enter contact information

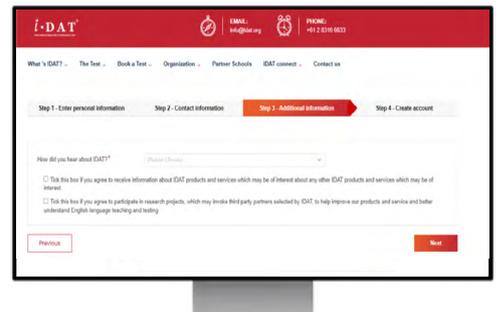
Fill in your contact information including your address and the information of student's guardian.



The screenshot shows the 'Step 2: Contact information' form. It includes fields for Address, City/State, State/Province, Country, Guardian's full name, and Guardian's phone. There is also a 'Next' button.

3 Additional information

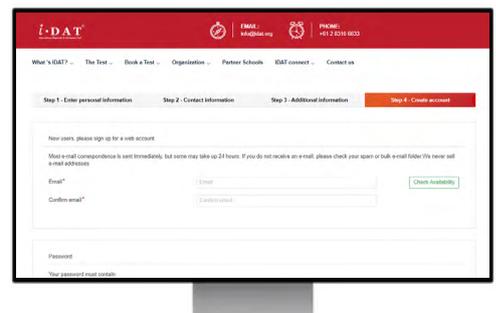
Tell us how did you hear about IDAT. Tick the relevant box which shows your preferences.



The screenshot shows the 'Step 3: Additional information' form. It includes a dropdown menu for 'How did you hear about IDAT?' and two checkboxes for preferences. There are 'Previous' and 'Next' buttons.

4 Create an account

Enter your email as the account user name and set up the password. Click submit to complete your account registration.



The screenshot shows the 'Step 4: Create account' form. It includes fields for Email and Confirm email, and a 'Check Availability' button. There is also a Password field with a note: 'Your password must include...'



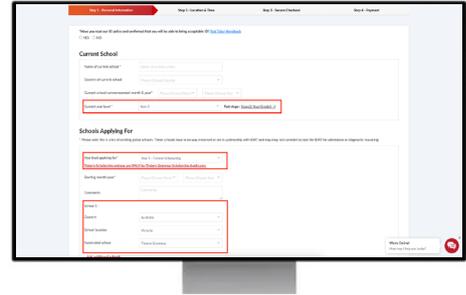
Click to Watch How to Register an IDAT Account

05. Schedule your test



1 Enter school information

Fill in the information of your current school and the schools you are applying for.



IMPORTANT

Tintern Grammar scholarship students **MUST** select the correct Year in the field of "Current year level", "Test type" "Year level applying for", and select "Tintern Grammar" in the field of "Nominated school".

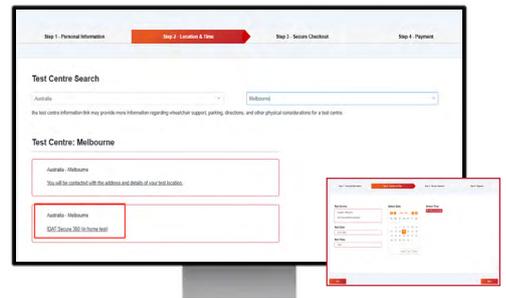
FOR EXAMPLE, if you are in Year 3 and applying for Year 5 entry, please select:

Current year level*	Year 3
Test type*	IDATss - Tintern Grammar Scholarship 2024
Year level apply for*	Year 5 - Tintern Scholarship
Nominated school*	Tintern Grammar

Any student who **DOES NOT** choose Tintern Grammar as the applied school but is applying for Tintern Grammar runs the risk of voiding their application.

2 Select Test Location & Time

Select **IDAT Secure 360** as your test location, and choose the available test session that suits you the most.



3 Confirmation

Confirm the details that you have entered and make sure all information is correct.



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Payment

TEST FEE: AUD \$110

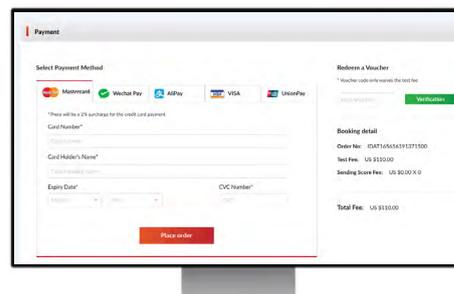
(* for 2022 Tintern Grammar Scholarship Tests only)

If your test fee is **NOT** AUD\$110 (or equivalent in other currencies), that means you chose the **WRONG** school or year level. Please go back to check from Step 1. You **MUST** choose “**Tintern Grammar**” for Nominated school, and choose the correct year with “**Tintern Scholarship**” (e.g., Year 5 – Tintern Scholarship) for the Year level applying for.

Make your payment in full to secure your booking. We accept the following payment methods:

- Credit or debit cards
- Digital payment (eg. Alipay and WeChat Pay)
- Online bank transfer – see bank details below:
 - **Account Name:** International Diagnostic and Admissions Test
 - **BSB:** 062-759
 - **A/C Number:** 1049 4874
 - **Bank name:** Commonwealth Bank Australia

** IDAT strictly adheres to the laws and regulations of each country. As such, we do not accept cash payments.*



WHAT YOU NEED TO REMEMBER

- Once your booking is confirmed, you will receive a confirmation email. If you do not receive it within two business days, please check your junk or spam email folders. Review your confirmation email to ensure your name is listed **EXACTLY** how it is on the identification you intend to show on the day of your test.
- Please make sure you go through the booking information email carefully, follow the instructions and read through the **IDAT Secure 360 Test instruction** attached with your confirmation email **PRIOR** to your test date.

06. Preparing your test

1 Get to know the IDAT for scholarship students

Go to <https://www.idat.org/idat-for-scholarship-students/> to read free information for test preparation. Please refer to the subject curriculum on our website for detailed testing areas and expected outcomes.

Become familiar with structure of the test, including:

- Question types
- Things to remember
- Useful English Vocabulary
- Frequency sentence pattern
- Example questions

Click each section to learn useful tips:

English >



Mathematics >



Global Knowledge >



Character >



** English test will ONLY include reading and writing. Please ignore listening and speaking listed on our website as they do not apply to Tintern Grammar Scholarship test.*



PREPARATION FOR GLOBAL KNOWLEDGE

- Go to <https://www.idat.org/prepare-for-the-test/preparing-for-global-knowledge/>. In Global Knowledge, the topics and subject areas are updated regularly. Candidates should study these information sheets as questions will be based on the material provided to them.
- Make sure you click the right stage and download the materials.

2 Log in your account and take a practice test (optional)

- **Practice tests are OPTIONAL and fees (USD \$5 - USD \$35) apply.**
- You will find speaking and listening (interview) under the English test. Please be advised these components DO NOT apply to Tintern Grammar scholarship test.
- Keep in mind that the training test is designed to familiarise students with the format and functions of the IDAT scholarship test. The training test is shorter than the actual IDAT scholarship test.
- Please **ONLY** practice your training tests via **Google Chrome** web browser. Please do not use any tablet devices to carry out the training test.
- Please be aware that the training test occurs outside the formal test conditions. Your performance on this test does not guarantee an equivalent level of performance on your formal test day.

07. Test requirements



A reliable internet connection



A fully charged laptop or computer connected with external power, with HD camera.



A quiet, well-lit room, ensure that there is no interruption during the test



A Mobile phone (required) and a tripod (optional)
(360 system is UNABLE to run on Huawei mobile phones. Apple mobile phones' IOS system need updated to IOS13 or above.)



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Please make sure you read through the IDAT Secure 360 Test instruction attached with your confirmation email PRIOR to your test date.
- Please use a **WIRED** headset and microphone only, and keep them connected, to have the best audio and recording quality during the test.
- Please **DO NOT** use any wireless headset and microphone, because it may be disconnected at any time.
- Please note, IDAT is GDPR compliant and you **DO NOT** need to use **VPN** to secure your location or identity. If you use VPN it may affect the consistency of your internet connection.
- Please **DO NOT** use a mobile hotspot as your source of internet. It could severely affect the submission of your test answers.



Try Secure 360 Home Test Setting before Your Test Start

For Tintern Grammar students, you **MUST** pre-trial the Secure 360 home test setting PRIOR to your scheduled test time. Please click the buttons to watch the video and follow the steps instructed. For any technical questions, please contact the IDAT team as soon as possible.

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[WATCH SECURE 360 INSTRUCTION VIDEO](#)



08. On your test day



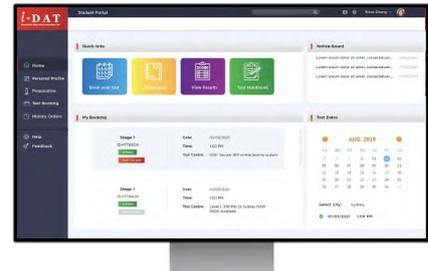
IMPORTANT

- IDAT Secure 360 students should set up their computer and smart device at least **20 MINUTES** before test time.
- You must **REMOVE** everything from your area of sight and reach that could assist with the test.
- You **MUST** enter the test page within **30 minutes** after your scheduled test starts, otherwise, your test will be cancelled.
- You **MUST** pre-trial the Secure 360 home test setting prior to your scheduled test time. Failure to connect test and proctoring devices as instructed, will negate test results. For any technical questions, please contact the IDAT team as soon as possible.

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Login to your IDAT account

Open IDAT official website on Google Chrome Web Browser. Enter your username and password to log in to your account. The tests you have booked will be found in homepage.



2

Enter the testing system

5 mins before the test, the "Start 360 test" button will be enabled and turns RED, click the button to enter the test system.

**If the button is in GREY colour, simply means that your test is NOT due to start just yet.*

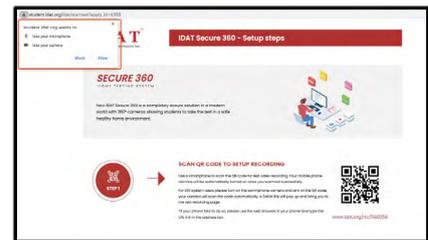


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Setting up 360

After clicking the start button, now you need to follow each step to set up your equipment. View the full instruction for details.

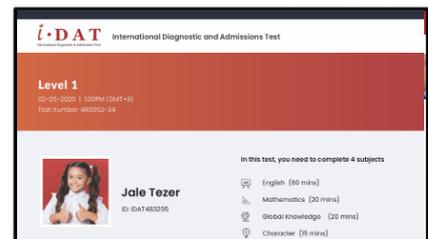
[→ View full testing instruction](#)



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Getting started

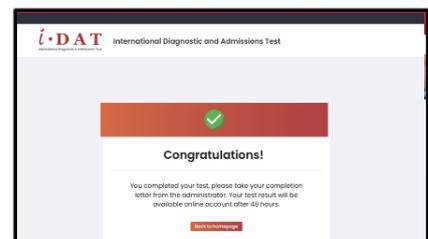
Check your test details and your name, click start when you are ready. There are four sections needed to be completed within the time limit.



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Finish your test

Once you have completed all sections, you will see "Congratulations" on the screen and it means you have submitted your answers successfully. Please do not close the web page without seeing the confirmation.



09. During the test

- The test has 4 sections: English, Mathematics, Global Knowledge and Character. Mathematics / Global Knowledge / Character are multiple choice only. English part also includes writing. You are encouraged to write as much as possible, but please be aware of the time remaining.
- The remaining time will be shown on the screen. Once you complete the sections, you may jump to the next part.
- You **MUST NOT** use your own calculator as calculators will be provided online whenever needed. It will appear on the screen automatically.
- For each question that requires calculation, the test system will automatically turn on the calculator function. Be careful not to turn it off since it will not be displayed for the second time.
- Students have an optional 5-minute break after English section. You are **ONLY** allowed to go to the bathroom during the 5-minute break.

Test rules

The test taker **MUST** follow Secure 360 test rules. You must not engage in any form of deception or malpractice which may damage the integrity or security of the IDAT. The test taker who cheats or attempts to cheat will not be eligible for a refund for any fees paid. The student may be banned from taking future tests.

- ✓ Must be alone in a quiet, well-lit room, ensure that there is no interruption or noise during the test
- ✓ Blank paper and pencil are allowed. **MUST** be approved by the online proctor.
- ✓ You will not be allowed to record your responses or questions by using any device, copy work from anywhere, disrupt the test, or attempt to alter data or results of the test.
- ✓ You cannot use any other electronic devices during the test. Once found, your test will be **CANCELLED**.
- ✓ You **MUST** not open any other web pages during the test, the system will give you a warning if you are off your test page more than 10 seconds. Test will be **CANCELLED** if you receive 3 warnings.
- ✓ Face, ear and head must be visible and unobscured, no heavy make up, otherwise you may fail the facial recognition
- ✓ Eating is not allowed, but you can drink water.
- ✓ Do not look away from the screen, you must keep staying on your seat during the test, you are not permitted to leave the room
- ✓ Your proctor can hear you during the test, however they are only able to communicate with you by sending you messages online.
- ✓ Any student or family member of the student engaging in malpractice will not be allowed to complete the test.



IMPORTANT

The proctor can see and hear you through the proctoring cameras during the test, if any of the fraud behaviour is caught and the proctor judges the test is invalid, a report will be sent to the IDAT office, and an official notice will be sent to the test taker. No re-examination or refund request will be granted.

10. Unforeseen circumstances

1. Why can't I open the testing system?

Please make sure you have used the GOOGLE CHROME web browser and it has been updated to the latest version.

2. What if I close the testing system accidentally?

Please re-open the test website and log back in. The system will bring you back to the question of where you dropped out. Countdown on times will NOT be stopped, therefore, please log back in as soon as possible.

3. What if I click the backward button accidentally?

You can NOT go back to your previous question. Once you have submitted your answer you will NOT be able to see it again. If you click the backward button, just REFRESH the page and you will be fine.

4. What if my screen is frozen and does not respond to anything?

It could be caused by fluctuations in the internet connection; however, it rarely happens during the test. If your screen is frozen:

- In the writing section, refresh the page and click "submit" again.
- All other sections, refresh the page, re-select your answer and then submit again.

If any other accidents, uncontrollable factors occur, please contact your proctors IMMEDIATELY via **Chat Box** on the test page.



Contact Us

If you cannot approach to your proctors during the test, please give us a call or send us a message for trouble shooting or to discuss re-examination, postponement, and test cancellation.

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11. After the test



* There will be NO SHARING of results. Test results will only be disclosed to Tintern Grammar, Victoria.

12. Cancellations and Rescheduling

Please note for any cancellations or rescheduling of tests, you will need to adhere to the following guidelines and note the applicable fees related to these changes.

- If you decide not to take the IDAT test after making your booking online, you have up to 14 full calendar days before your test date to claim a full refund. You can request a cancellation in writing by contacting the customer service team in your region at: idat.org/contact.
- If you cancel the test, with less than 14 calendar days, but at least 7 full calendar days before your test date, you will receive a partial refund (50% of the test fee paid).
- If you reschedule your test, with at least 7 full calendar days before your test date, you will be able to reschedule the test for free, ONCE ONLY. Any further reschedule request towards your new test date involves a rescheduling fee (50% of the test fee paid).
- No refunds will be provided on cancelling or rescheduling the exam less than 7 calendar days before the exam.

PLEASE NOTE: The cancellation and reschedule policy does not include your test date.

Refunds

IDAT may, at its sole discretion, offer you a refund for any testing fees where you have registered and paid any testing fee directly to IDAT. Full refunds are only offered where:

A. You change your mind no less than 14 full calendar days prior to your scheduled test date;

or

B. If you are unable to take the scheduled test due to illness (and with a provided medical certificate), you may check your handbook to make sure the absence is in accordance with IDAT policy.

Cancellation of test

Students may cancel their IDAT test booking with a minimum of 7 business days prior to the scheduled test, request must be made in writing. With more than 7 days' notice but less than 14 days', student may be eligible for a partial refund or a full credit for reschedule the test to another time. With less than 7 days' notice, the student is not eligible for credit or refund. If there are medical or extenuating circumstances, they may be considered on merit or compassion by writing to info@idat.org with "Test Cancellation" in the subject line. Any refund considered will be minus a 20% administration fee and subject to bank fees and currency rates.

Transfer or Changing test date

Students may postpone or change their test booking by retrieving online bookings and making change requests prior to at least 7 business days of the scheduled test.

Special requirements

IDAT and their test centres may make special arrangements and/or give special consideration to students with recognised hearing, visual or other impairments. Students should submit requests for special arrangements in writing to info@idat.org with "Special Arrangement Request" in the subject BEFORE booking the test. Requests must be made 21 working days in advance. Students may be required to submit medical proof of conditions to support request.