

Changes to which IDs can be accepted

Candidates registered under the new Regulations (January 2025) and all candidates from 1 April 2025 must follow the new ID regulations.

Candidates registered under the previous ID regulations can use ID that was considered acceptable under the previous ID regulations for exams taken before 1 April 2025.

Previous ID regulations: acceptable IDs	New ID regulations: acceptable IDs
Candidates aged 18 or over	
Government-issued ID	Government-issued ID
School/College/University ID*	(School/College/University ID is no longer accepted)
Candidates aged 17 or under	
Government-issued ID	Government-issued ID
Candidate Identification form	Candidate Identification form
School/College/University ID*	School/College/University ID*
Candidates outside their country of permanent residence	
Candidates of any age taking C1 Advanced in Africa/Asia/Australasia: passport or national identity card	This applies to all exams . Candidates of any age in Asia/Africa/ Australasia or candidates aged 18 or over in Europe/Americas: passport (or government-issued National ID if the candidate is from a European Union or Schengen area country taking the exam in another European Union or Schengen area country)

*Provided that the institution has verified the candidate's identity to the centre's satisfaction when issuing the ID.

ID reminders:

Candidates taking an exam for immigration purposes

The candidate must check their ID is acceptable to the appropriate immigration authority and that they inform the centre at the time of registration that they intend to use the exam for immigration purposes. The candidate must present that ID on exam day.

Extra regulations for centres in Africa, Asia, and Australasia running C1 Advanced

From 1 January 2025, you must record the ID number for all C1 Advanced candidates on Cambridge English for Centres. Check the ID number matches when taking the test day photo.

For both the written and Speaking exam days, check that the candidate's ID is the same that was used at registration. You only need to do this once during the day of the written components.