

Entrance Test for Applicants Applying for a Full-time Diploma Course

General Information

- The harmonised Entrance Test(s) are jointly organised by the five Polytechnics in Singapore. Only shortlisted applicants will be invited to sit for the Entrance Test(s) for English and/or Mathematics and/or Science to assess their suitability in the courses applied. Shortlisted applicants will receive the email invitation for Entrance Test(s) by **4 Dec 2023**.
- Shortlisted applicants are required to choose **ONE** Polytechnic as their Entrance Test(s) administrator. The Entrance Test(s) for all subjects will be scheduled on the same day with breaks in between each paper. The same test paper for each subject will be used across all Polytechnics, and your test results will be shared with the Polytechnics who have shortlisted you for the Entrance Test(s).
- Shortlisted applicants are required to make Entrance Test(s) fee payment to the Polytechnic that you have chosen as your Entrance Test(s) administrator. The fees are to be paid before the test date and applicants who fail to pay the fees will not be allowed to sit for the test. The fees are non-refundable.
- Meeting the Minimum Entry Requirements (MER) is not a guarantee that an applicant will be shortlisted. An invitation to sit for Entrance Test(s) does not guarantee admission to the course.
- More details will be emailed to shortlisted applicants by the Polytechnic you have chosen as your Entrance Test(s) administrator.

Entrance Test details

Email notification	Shortlisted applicants will receive the email invitation for Entrance Test(s) by 4 Dec 2023
Test Date	31 January 2024
Time	All subject papers are held within the same day. Applicants will be given breaks between papers.
Mode	Online
Test Duration	90 minutes for each subject paper
Polytechnic Administrator	Applicants to choose ONE Polytechnic
Venue	Applicants will take the online Entrance Test(s) at their own venue.
Fees	Each Entrance Test subject is payable at: SGD\$43.20 (inclusive of 8% GST, applicable if payment is made before 1 Jan 2024) or SGD\$43.60 (inclusive of 9% GST, applicable if payment is made on or after 1 Jan 2024)

Qualifications exempted from Entrance Test(s)

Applicants holding the following 5 qualifications are **not required to sit for the Entrance Test(s)**:

- IGCSE (English as a 1st Language)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Malaysia SPM
- Malaysia UEC
- Brunei Cambridge GCE O-Level

Entrance Test Subjects and Course Aggregate Types

Republic Polytechnic courses are categorised into 4 aggregate types. The aggregate type of your course choices will determine the Entrance Test subject(s) that you are required to take. You may refer to the [RP website](#) to check the aggregate type of your course choices.

Course Choice Aggregate Type	English	Mathematics	Science [#]
A	✓ Compulsory for all Aggregate Types with some exemptions*	✓ Compulsory for all Aggregate Types	✗ Not required
B			✓ Compulsory for Aggregate Type C courses only
C			✗ Not required
D			

*Applicants will be exempted from taking the English Entrance Test provided that they have met any of the following requirements:

- IELTS minimum score of 6 for all individual components (Listening, Reading, Writing & Speaking) and overall band score
- TOEFL Internet-Based Test with minimum score of 78
- Year 12 English Language subject minimum score of 70% from any of these native English-speaking countries: USA, Canada, Australia & New Zealand.

Note: Applicants may choose to include IELTS/TOEFL in their application if they wish to be exempted from taking English Entrance Test

#Applicants to choose **one** out of the six available Science subjects for the Entrance Test:

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Combined Science (Physics & Chemistry)
- Combined Science (Physics & Biology)
- Combined Science (Chemistry & Biology)

Important Dates

The Entrance Test(s) schedule for shortlisted applicants is as follows:

Activity	Date
Email notification to shortlisted students on Entrance Test(s)	By 4 Dec 2023
Technical Rehearsals to help applicants familiarise with the online Entrance Test. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical Rehearsal 1 – Briefing on room setup and troubleshoot technical issues, if any• Technical Rehearsal 2 – Rehearsal on actual Entrance Test flow <i>Applicants should attend both technical rehearsals at the venue where they will be taking the actual online Entrance Test.</i>	24 Jan 2024* 29 Jan 2024*
Day of the Entrance Test	31 Jan 2024
Course Application Outcomes	1 Apr 2024

*Technical Rehearsal dates are subject to change. Shortlisted applicants will be informed on the test details such as registration, papers to be taken etc. Please check your email regularly.

Entrance Test Subject Syllabus

Click on the following links for the syllabus of the Entrance Test(s) papers:

Subject	Syllabus
English	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-english-entrance-test.pdf
Mathematics	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-mathematics-entrance-test.pdf
Biology	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-biology-entrance-test.pdf
Chemistry	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-chemistry-entrance-test.pdf
Physics	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-physics-entrance-test.pdf
Combined Science (Chemistry & Physics)	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-combined-science-(physics-chemistry)-entrance-test.pdf
Combined Science (Physics & Biology)	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-combined-science-(physics-biology)-entrance-test.pdf
Combined Science (Biology & Chemistry)	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/syllabus-for-combined-science-(chemistry-and-biology)-entrance-test.pdf

Entrance Test Sample Papers

Click on the following links for the sample Entrance Test(s) papers:

Subject	Sample papers
English	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/english-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Mathematics	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/mathematics-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Biology	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/biology-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Chemistry	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/chemistry-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Physics	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/physics-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Combined Science (Chemistry & Physics)	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/science-(chemistry-physics)-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
Combined Science (Physics & Biology)	https://www.rp.edu.sg/docs/default-source/admissions/admission-guides/science-(physics-biology)-entrance-test-sample-paper.pdf
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