

Remotely Proctored Knowledge Exam Instructions

You are not allowed to leave the remotely proctored knowledge test event until you have finished your exam. Please remember to use the restroom before signing in to your remotely proctored knowledge exam.

Except for the smartphone and tablet/laptop/desktop you are using for your remotely proctored knowledge exam, the use of all other electronic and Bluetooth-connected devices (cell phones, smartwatches, smart glasses, fitness monitors, tablets/laptops/desktops, etc.) is not allowed. During testing, these items are not permitted in the testing area or on or near your person (e.g., in your pocket, on your wrist). Anyone using any other electronic or Blue-tooth connected device of any kind during testing (texting, Google searching, email, etc.) or navigating away from the remotely proctored knowledge exam during testing will have their exam stopped, will have their exam scored as a failed attempt, will forfeit all testing fees and will be reported to their training program, D&SDT-Headmaster and the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals, and Licensing (DIAL).

All security, testing attire, and testing policies are adhered to during the remotely proctored knowledge exam. Please refer to the sections in the Candidate Handbook for information.

- The 'video conferencing app' (for example, Zoom) link must be maintained throughout the entire knowledge exam.
 - If the video conferencing app (for example, Zoom) connection is lost, you must immediately reconnect; otherwise, you will be removed from the test event by the remote Proctor, and your exam will be scored as a failed attempt.
- Your device **must not be muted** during testing so that the remote Proctor can hear if there are any distractions or other interruptions during your exam. **REMEMBER:** You need to test in a distraction- and interruption-free area, just as *you would if you were sitting in the knowledge test room at a test site*.
- On testing day, you **will not be allowed to receive any assistance with your setup** from anyone in your environment (room/area). **If someone else is in the room with you, the remote Proctor will remove you from the meeting, and you will be marked as a no-show.** You will forfeit any testing fees paid and must repay to reschedule a new test.
- You must be **alone (by yourself) during the entire testing time** in a quiet, isolated, secure room or area free from distractions, interruptions, and other people, including children and pets.
- Along with showing the remote Proctor your surroundings/entire room during check-in, the remote Proctor may also ask you to show your room/entire surroundings at any time during your test.
- During your test, your smartphone/tablet must be positioned so that the remote Proctor can clearly see you, your keyboard, mouse (if used), and the entire screen of your computer, tablet, or laptop. You may not use a background filter or blur your background.
- If the remote Proctor has any inclination that you are cheating or not following instructions, your test will be ended and scored as a failed attempt.
- **Failure to adhere to any of the remote testing conditions/policies will require the remote Proctor to stop your test, which will be scored as a failed attempt.**

You will have **60 minutes** to complete your exam. The multiple-choice questions will be presented one at a time on the computer screen, and you will select answer A, B, C, or D for each question. You can navigate through the exam questions using the previous and next buttons.

Please refer to the time displayed at the top of the screen for the remaining time. The remote Proctor will announce when 15 minutes are remaining.

Scratch paper, calculators, translation dictionaries, and any language translator **are not allowed**.

AUDIO VERSION OF THE KNOWLEDGE EXAM:

- ❖ If you have requested an Audio version of the Knowledge Exam, you must use wired earbuds or headphones (**Bluetooth-connected devices are not allowed**) that plug directly into the computer. You will need to show your earbuds or headphones to the remote Proctor during check-in.

If you have any issues with the computer, please let the remote Proctor know.

When you believe you are finished with your exam, double-check all your answers. Then, quietly alert the remote Proctor that you are finished.

You will click the **End Exam** button when directed to do so by the remote proctor. If you have any remaining questions, you will be notified via a pop-up and can return to answer them, provided there is time left.