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TASC Testing in Michigan – Frequently Asked Questions

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State Testing Requirements

What is required to be eligible to earn a Michigan High School Equivalency (HSE) Certificate?

Test Takers who wish to take the TASC Test and earn the High School Equivalency certificate in the State of Michigan must:

- Meet the age requirements established by the State of Michigan;
- Have not previously achieved a high school diploma or HSE;
- Provide valid proof of identity (government issued ID) and meet age* requirements
- Must pass all 5 subtests of the TASC Test.

*If you are 16 and 17 years old, please see additional requirements found in this document.

How old do I have to be to take the TASC Test?

- The minimum age to register for and test in Michigan is 16 years of age
- **17 years and older** - 17 year olds who are an applicant for induction into the U.S. Armed Forces may initiate registration online. In order to complete the registration process, they must provide a written request by the recruiting office of any branch of the Armed Forces stating that the applicant has met all military requirements for induction except for TASC Test scores, and provided request is accompanied by letter or written statement signed by the local school official stating that the individual has left school and that it would probably be in the best interest of the person to be admitted to testing and, also, furnish a letter of permission for induction from the applicant's parent or guardian. Completed documentation must be submitted to the Michigan Talent Investment Agency (TIA) for verification and approval.
- **16 years old and under 17 years** - 16 year olds who have been out of a regular school program for one calendar year may initiate registration online. The calendar year waiting requirement may be waived if it is in the best interest of the individual as determined by a school district's superintendent or designee and parent/guardian and is in accordance with State approved TASC testing center guidelines. The TIA will retain documentation of this waiver requirement signed by the student, parent/guardian and school district's superintendent or designee. This documentation shall include language that TASC testing is in the best interest of the examinee and has been approved by the above-mentioned signatories. Michigan National Guard Youth Challenge Program graduates who are at least 16 years of age and no longer enrolled in high school are eligible for testing upon completion of the program. Completed documentation must be submitted to the TIA for verification and approval.

Do I need to be a resident of Michigan to take the TASC Test?

Michigan residency is not required to take the TASC Test.

What proofs of identity are required to take the TASC Test?

Tester is required to present a valid government-issued photo ID on test day. Expired or outdated ID will not be accepted. The ID must include: full name (matching the name used for exam registration), address, date of birth, signature, and photograph.

Acceptable photo-bearing identification includes current (non-expired):

- Driver's License
- Passport
- Green Card/Alien/Permanent Resident Card
- Military ID
- Driver's Permit
- State Alternative License

- Identification Card Issued by DMV (non-Driver's License)
- State ID, Matricula Consular/Consulate Issues ID
- Any other form of government-issued ID (national or foreign), including Native Tribal ID.

Is there a Readiness Assessment I can take to know if I could pass the TASC Test?

The TASC Test offers Readiness Assessments (also known as “practice testes”) through many high school equivalency test preparation programs. If you are interested in taking a readiness test, ask your Test Center Assessment Coordinator or Instructor about the TASC Readiness Assessment.

Do I have to take the Readiness Assessment to register for the TASC Test?

No, you are not required to take the readiness assessment to be eligible to take the TASC Test.

Do I have to be enrolled in adult education classes to take TASC Tests?

No, you are not required to be enrolled in adult education classes to take the TASC Test, but we encourage testers to take advantage of the free TASC preparation materials [here](#) on www.tasctest.com.

Cost and Payment Options

How much does it cost to take the TASC Test?

The TASC Test battery, which consists of 5 subtests (Reading, Writing, Math, Social Studies and Science) costs \$131 (or \$26.20 per subtest).

- The \$131 battery fee for your first test includes all 5 subtests, **plus** up to 2 retests per content area/subtest if a passing score has not been obtained.
- The \$26.20 subject test fee for the first test includes the subject area test **plus** 2 retakes on that same test if a passing score has not been obtained.
- If you wish to retake the TASC Test for a higher score must pay the DRC subtest(s) cost.

Payments must be made online and can be made using any Master Card®, Visa® or American Express® credit, debit, or gift card.

Finding a Testing Location

How can I locate a testing center?

Click [here](#) to locate a Michigan test center near you. The TASC Test is available at test centers across the state.

Registering for the TASC Test

How can I register to take the TASC Test?

Registration for the TASC Test is done online. If you meet the eligibility requirements outlined above you must register to take the TASC test [here](#). Click [here](#) for printable step by step directions to register for your exams.

Scheduling the TASC Test

How can I schedule a TASC test?

Scheduling the TASC Tests is done online via the Examinee Portal. Once you have created and validated your account you can begin the scheduling process by [logging into in your account](#) selecting a test center and requesting a testing appointment. Click [here](#) for step by step directions to schedule and pay for your TASC Tests.

Taking the TASC Test

Do I have to take the test on the computer?

The TASC Test is available as a paper and pencil test and a computer-based test. You can select which format you would like to take when scheduling your exam.

Can I take some tests by computer and other tests by paper and pencil?

Yes, Michigan TASC test allows students to combine computer-and paper-based tests as long as they are all in the same language.

Do I have to take the entire group of subject area tests, or can I take each one until I pass? There are no rules about the order in which the different tests must be taken; however, we do not recommend taking all TASC Tests in one day. You may take each sub-test one at a time until you pass or, you can take all the different subtests before retesting on any particular exam.

What do I need to bring with me on the day I am scheduled to test?

You must present a valid photo ID on your test day when you arrive at the test center. A valid photo ID includes a government-issued ID or Driver's License, passport, military ID or other form of government-issued (national or foreign) ID that shows full name, address, date of birth, signature and photograph. Outdated or expired identification is not accepted.

See the State Testing Requirements section in this document for more details.

How do I request special testing accommodations?

All the information you need to request accommodations is available [here](#). Start by reading the TASC Examinee Guidelines for Requesting Special testing accommodations. The TASC Test is offered in alternate formats, such as large print and Braille, and may be administered with additional resources and/or accommodations for examinees with the necessary documentation.

Language Options for Testing

Is the TASC Test available in any other language by English?

The TASC Test is offered in English and Spanish only.

Retest Rules

How long must I wait before I can retake a subject area test I do not pass?

There is no waiting period between same-subject retests for the first 3 attempts; however, a six month waiting period is required after 3 failed attempts.

Can I retest for a higher score?

You are welcome to retake a previously passed subtest for a higher score. When retaking the test for a higher score you will be charged the usual TASC subtest fee.

Is there an expiration date on the retakes that are included on initial test purchases?

The two retest attempts included in the battery fee must be taken within one year of the initial test date. Click [here](#) to read more about the retake policy as it relates to initial test purchases.

Test Scores

How long will it take to get my TASC Test scores?

Unofficial scores are available online via your TASC Test Account 2-3 business days after taking computer-based tests and approximately 14 business days after paper based testing.

What is the passing score for the TASC Test?

A minimum score of 500 must be achieved on each subject area TASC Test. Additionally, you must earn at least a 2 on the essay portion of the writing test to pass the TASC Test.

Can I earn honors designation on my TASC tests?

Yes, the **TASC Test Distinguished Achievement Benchmark** acknowledges a higher level of achievement earned by examinees in the areas of Mathematics, Reading, and Writing. The TASC Test Distinguished Achievement scale score cuts vary, with the Reading cut score higher (580) than those for Mathematics and Writing (560). In addition to a Writing Score of 560 you will need to earn at least 6 out of 8 on the essay portion of the writing test. For more information, visit on the Distinguished Scores click [here](#).

Transcripts and Diplomas

How can I get a transcript and my HSE certificate after testing?

Upon successful completion of your TASC Tests, you can receive one free HSE certificate and transcript. To request HSE certificate and transcript you must contact [Diploma Sender](#).

If there are changes that need to be made to your HSE certificate, because of a typographical error or a legitimate name change, please contact the Diploma Sender at 855-876-3774.

Preparing for the TASC Test

What do you recommend to prepare for the TASC Test?

Everyone is different. You may do fine studying on your own or you may have better results by enrolling in a Test Preparation program. We encourage testers to take advantage of the variety of free TASC Test preparation materials [here](http://www.tasctest.com) on www.tasctest.com.