

WSET Examination Conditions and Conduct

It is a condition of entry that candidates agree to the following specific conditions for any closed book examination.

- At the start of the examination all candidates must supply the invigilator with proof of identity in the form of photographic ID.
- For all examinations, responses must be written in the same language as the examination paper.
- No reference is to be made to any material, in whatever form, other than the examination question paper and answer sheet.
- Once the invigilator has declared that examination conditions are in place, no communication of any kind between candidates is permitted until they have left the examination room, or the invigilator has announced the end of the examination.
- During the examination candidates are only permitted to have the following items with them; pens, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpener and drinking water. All pencil cases, bags and coats must be placed away from the candidates.
- It is prohibited for candidates to take any photographs of the examination room or examination materials.
- The use of electronic devices of any kind is prohibited.
- The use of dictionaries of any kind is prohibited.
- The use of audible 'alarms' on any clock or watch is prohibited.
- Candidates may not leave the room until the first 15 minutes of the examination time have elapsed.
- Candidates who arrive after the published start time will **NOT** be allowed to sit the examination if any other candidate has already left the examination.
- Candidates who arrive late may be allowed to enter the room at the discretion of the invigilator and only if other candidates are not compromised. Under normal circumstances we would not expect any candidate to be allowed to start the examination if they arrive more than 30 minutes after the published start time.
- Candidates may not leave, and then return to, the examination room once the examination has started unless they can be accompanied by an invigilator at all times while they are out of the examination room.

- Candidates who complete the examination early may leave the examination room up until the last 10 minutes providing they do not disturb other candidates; no re-admission is permitted.
- Invigilators have no authority to comment upon, interpret, or express an opinion on any examination question.
- Any candidate who is suspected of misconduct will be advised to leave the examination room immediately and their examination paper will be submitted to the Examination Panel to determine its validity and any future ban on sitting papers.
- No examination question papers are to be removed from the examination room; candidates who fail to submit the question paper with their answer sheet will be deemed guilty of misconduct.
- It is prohibited for candidates to reveal the content of examination papers to others or reproduce it in any way.
- Candidates also agree to abide by the invigilator's instructions. Failure to do so may render a candidate's results invalid.
- Examination papers and answer sheets are the property of the WSET awarding body and will not be returned to candidates.