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This page lists changes to the 'English language' guidance, with the most recent at the top.

Date of the change	Details of the change

1 August 2014	Change request:
	• Check test provider and certificate:
	  ○ new sub-heading '1 August 2014 changes' and new content
	  ○ new sub-heading 'Transitional arrangements' and new content
	• Minor housekeeping changes.

01 July 2014	Change request: • Check test provider certificate ○ Transitional arrangements paragraph added

07 April 2014	Change request:
	• National of a majority English speaking country: passport or travel document not available:
	  ○ paragraph under the third set of bullet points is new content.
	• English language test:
	  ○ table, left hand column, third box under 'Tier' second bullet point removed.
	• Check test provider and certificate:
	  ○ new related links added.
	  ○ sub-heading 'Check and verify

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			supporting evidence' fourth paragraph after the bullet points has been deleted. ○ sub-heading 'Check and verify supporting evidence' penultimate paragraph is new content. ○ second restricted content box, new heading added. • Degree taught in English: ○ second paragraph and bullet points below deleted. ○ the rest of this page has been completely re-written. • Check degree: ○ this page has been re-written. • Check degree certificate: ○ sub-heading 'Degree awarded outside the UK' has been re-worded and the content below re-written. • Award points or refuse: degree taught in English: ○ first set of bullet points deleted. ○ related links under sub-heading 'If you are not satisfied with the degree' have been removed. • English language exemptions or no requirement: ○ this page has been re-written. • Five new pages added: ○ Applications under Tier 2 (General ○ All applications (except for Tier 1 (General)) ○ Tier 1 applications ○ Transitional arrangements ○ Tier 4 applications		

			• Tier 2 (General), Tier 2 (Sportsperson) and Tier 2 (Minister of religion): ○ this page has been deleted. • Minor housekeeping and plain English changes throughout.		
			For previous changes to this guidance you will find all earlier versions in the archive. See related link: English language - Archive.		

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This section explains how to check whether to award points for the English language requirement to a national of a majority English speaking country.

Nationals of the countries listed below are considered to be from a majority English speaking country and automatically meet the English language requirement.

Antigua and Barbuda	Guyana
Australia	Jamaica
The Bahamas	New Zealand
Barbados	St Kitts and Nevis
Belize	St Lucia
Canada	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	The United States of America

To prove they meet the English language requirement, nationals of the above countries must submit either their current, original:

- passport, or
- travel document.

If you have any doubts about whether any of the supporting documents an applicant has

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	provided are genuine you must do verification checks. For more information, see related link: Forgery.	

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This page tells you how nationals of majority English speaking countries can still prove English language requirements for the points-based system if their passport or travel document is not available.

If a national of a majority English speaking country is unable to submit either document at the time of the application, they must give full reasons in the passport information section of the application form. The only valid exceptional circumstances for applicants who have not submitted their documents are that they have been:

- lost
- stolen
- expired and been returned to the relevant authorities, or
- elsewhere in the Home Office.

If any of these circumstances apply, the applicant can exceptionally provide the following alternative specified documents:

- current national identity document, or
- an original letter from their home government or embassy.

If the applicant submits a letter, it must be an original copy on the letter-headed paper of the government or embassy, and bear the official stamp of that institution.

An authorised official of that institution must issue the letter, and it must confirm the applicant's:

- full name
- date of birth, and
- nationality.

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	If the applicant has failed to supply their passport or travel documents because they are already held by the Home Office, then you must make attempts to link these documents to the application. If you have any doubts about whether any of the supporting documents an applicant has provided are genuine you must undertake verification checks. For more information, see related link: Forgery. For information on when to award or refuse points for English language when the applicant is from a majority English speaking country, see related link: Award points or refuse – majority English-speaking country.	

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If the applicant submits valid documents to prove they are from a majority English speaking country, you can award 10 points for English language.

If applicant does not provide the documents
You must check all the supporting evidence submitted to see if you can award points another way. See related links:

- English language test
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If no other supporting documents can be considered as evidence, you must not award points for English language and note the reason for refusing the application on CID.

If the applicant does not score 10 points for English language
You must refuse their application, even if they attained the pass mark for attributes and maintenance and meet all the other requirements of the Immigration Rules.

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This section tells you how an applicant applying under the points-based system can claim points for the English language requirement if they pass an English language test.

To score points for passing an English language test, applicants must show they have passed a test at or above the level required for the tier in which they are applying. The table below sets out the level of English required for each tier.

Tier 1

Row	Category	Type of application	Level of knowledge of English equivalent to:
A	Tier 1 (General)	Entry clearance, and leave to remain.	C1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.
B	Tier 1 (Entrepreneur)	Entry clearance and leave to remain.	B1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.
C	Tier 1 (Graduate entrepreneur)	Entry clearance and leave to remain.	B1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.
D	Tier 1 (Exceptional talent)	Leave to remain, if last granted entry clearance or leave to remain as a Tier 1	B1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and

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Tier 2

Row	Category	Type of application	Level of knowledge of English equivalent to:
E	Tier 2 (Minister of religion)	Entry clearance, and leave to remain.	B2 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.
F	Tier 2 (General)	Entry clearance and leave to remain, other than the cases in row G below.	B1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.
G	Tier 2 (General)	Leave to remain cases where the applicant previously has leave in Tier 2 (General) before 6 April 2011, or any of the following and has not been granted leave in any other routes below: • work permit holder • overseas media representative	A1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.

		• airline ground staff, or • Jewish agency employee.	
H	Tier 2 (Sportsperson)	Entry clearance and leave to remain.	A1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language and learning.

Applicants with disabilities, for example hearing difficulties, are not exempt from the English language requirement. They must contact a test provider for details of support they can provide.

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This page explains what to check when you decide whether to award points for an English language test.

If an applicant is claiming points for an English language test, you must check the:

- provider
- level of qualifications the applicant was awarded
- level is met for all four components:
  - reading
  - writing
  - listening, and
  - speaking.

Check and verify supporting evidence
The test documents required with the application and test validity period are published in the list of approved language tests, see related links:

- List of approved English language tests, and
- Appendix O.

Most of the secure English language test (SELT) providers have an online verification tool which allows you to check the results of English language tests. For more information on how to access and use the SELT provider's online verification system, see related link: Online verification systems.

However, evidence provided from Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) cannot be verified online. To verify these documents please contact the English language provider.

You must check English language certificates and SELT certificates to make sure they are valid and the applicant has met the minimum grade requirement of each component of the test.

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From 1 October 2013, where two or more components (reading, writing, speaking and listening) of an English language test are examined and awarded together, for example a combined exam and certificate for reading and writing skills, the evidence submitted must show the student has achieved the required scores in all relevant components during a single sitting of that examination. This is unless exempted from sitting a component on the basis of disability.

If the migrant has taken the test and failed one of the components, for example, passed the listening component but failed the reading, they may provide a further certificate to show they passed that single component. This means they will provide three certificates rather than two.

If so, you must refuse the application. Applications made before 1 October 2013 are not subject to the above rule and therefore certificates from multiple sittings are acceptable.

Transitional arrangements for applicants who hold a Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) or Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) English language certificate issued by Education Testing Service (ETS)
On 1 July 2014 appendix O was updated to remove the TOEIC and TOEFL English language tests, administered by ETS from the list of approved English language tests. This follows the expiry of ETS' licence to carry out secure English language tests for immigration purposes on 6 April 2014.

For applicants applying outside the UK transitional arrangements have been introduced. If an applicant has a TOEIC or TOEFL English language test administered by ETS, this will be recognised as an approved test under appendix O of the Immigration Rules as they were on 30 June 2014, if they have made an application for:

- leave to remain before 1 July 2014
- entry clearance before 22 July 2014

This change affects anyone relying on an ETS certificate in their visa application.

It does not affect higher education institutions ability to choose their own method of assessing

degree students English language competence. It is still up to the university to decide whether to accept an ETS certificate as evidence of a degree student's ability to speak English at the appropriate level, even if the test is taken after the Immigration Rules change.

1 August 2014 changes
On 1 August 2014 appendix O was updated to remove the following CIE qualifications:

- Cambridge IGCSE English as a first language
- Cambridge IGCSE English as a second language
- Business Language Testing Service (BULATS) online test issued by Cambridge English
- Trinity College London:
  - Entry Level Certificate in ESOL Skills for Life
  - Level 1 Certificate in ESOL Skills for life, and
  - Level 2 Certificate in ESOL Skills for life.

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To allow people time to adjust to these changes, the Home Office has introduced transitional arrangements to cover the following circumstances.

If a person has one of the above tests administered by CIE, Cambridge English or Trinity College London, you must recognise it as an approved test under appendix O that was live on 16 July 2014 if they have made an application for:

- leave to remain before 31 July 2014, or
- entry clearance before 21 August 2014.

This change affects those relying on an ETS, CIE, Cambridge English or Trinity College London certificate in their visa application.

For information on the structure of the tests provided please see related links:

- English language provider test structure
- List of approved English language tests, and
- Immigration Rules - appendix O.

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This page explains when you can award or refuse points for the English language requirement if the applicant is claiming points for an English language test.

You can award 10 points for English language if you are satisfied the:

- applicant has submitted a genuine document from an approved provider, and
- English language test is at or above the level required for the tier.

If you are not satisfied with the English language test
You must check all the supporting evidence submitted to see if you can award points another way. See related links:

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You must not award points for English language if no other supporting documents can be considered as evidence, and note the reason for refusing the application on CID.

If the applicant does not score 10 points for English language
You must refuse their application, even if they attained the pass mark for attributes and maintenance and meet all the other requirements of the Immigration Rules.

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This section tells you how an applicant can score points for the English language requirement when they hold a degree taught in English.

An applicant can be awarded 10 points for a degree taught in English if they have the relevant level of English language as shown in the link on the left: English language test.

The applicant must also have an academic qualification (not a professional or vocational qualification) which is considered by the National Academic Recognition Information Centre for the United Kingdom (UK NARIC):

- To meet the recognised standard of a bachelors degree (not a masters degree or a PhD) in the UK, and UK NARIC has confirmed the degree was taught or researched in English to level C1 or above of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language learning. Or
- To meet, or exceed the recognised standard of a bachelors or masters degree or a PhD in the UK and is from an educational establishment in one of the countries listed below:

Antigua and Barbuda	Jamaica
Australia	New Zealand
Bahamas	St Kitts and Nevis
Barbados	St Lucia
Belize	St Vincent and the Grenadines
Dominica	Trinidad and Tobago
Grenada	United Kingdom
Guyana	United States of America
Republic of Ireland	

To show the applicant has gained the qualification they must provide either the:

- original certificate of the award, or

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	• an academic transcript (or original letter for a PhD qualification) from the institution who awarded the qualification, on official headed paper if they:
	  ○ have not yet graduated after successfully completing the qualification, or
	  ○ no longer have the certificate and the institution who awarded it is unable to provide a replacement.
	
	The academic transcript (or original letter for PhD qualification) must show the following details:
	
	• the applicant's name
	• the name of the institution that awarded the qualification
	• the title of the award
	• confirmation that the qualification has been awarded, and
	• the date the certificate will be issued (if the applicant has not yet graduated) or confirmation the institution is unable to re-issue the original certificate or award.
	
	All applicants score points if UK NARIC has assessed the degree as being taught in English to C1 level.
	
	If the applicant is required to be competent in English to level A1 (see rows G and H in the table in the English language test section using the link on the left), 10 points will be awarded for a degree taught in English if the applicant has the relevant level of English language (see link on left: English language test section) and:
	
	• has obtained an academic qualification (not a professional or vocational qualification) which is considered by UK NARIC to meet or exceed the recognised standard of a bachelors or masters degree or a PhD in the UK
	• provides the documents specified above which show they have the qualification, and
	• provides an original letter from the awarding institution on its official headed paper, which clearly shows:
	  ○ the applicant's name
	  ○ the name of the institution that has awarded the qualification
	  ○ the title of the award
	  ○ the date of the award, and	

	○ confirmation the qualification was taught in English. **For Tier 1 (Graduate entrepreneur) only** An application for entry clearance or leave to remain as a Tier 1 (Graduate entrepreneur) can only score the required 10 points for English language if the applicant has a qualification which was taught in English and scored 75 points in table 10, appendix A of the Immigration Rules. That is unless they score points in appendix A because they have a Global Endorsement.	

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This page tells you how to check the degree is recognised by the National Academic Recognition Information Centre for the United Kingdom (UK NARIC).

The qualification must be recognised by UK NARIC as equivalent to, or above, a UK bachelors degree. You can check whether UK NARIC recognise the degree using the English language section on the Home Office's points-based calculator, see related link.

The applicant may provide an official letter from UK NARIC which confirms the degree meets or exceeds the equivalent level to a UK bachelors degree in which case you do not need to make the check.

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This page explains how you check if a degree certificate submitted to satisfy the English language requirement for the points-based system is genuine.

To claim points for English language for a degree taught in English, the applicant must provide an original:

- degree certificate, or
- academic transcript with an academic reference from the awarding body, this is only acceptable when the applicant:
  - is awaiting graduation, or
  - has lost the certificate and the awarding institution is unable to provide a replacement.

For Tier 2 migrants who have a qualification with a significant research bias such as a doctorate, you can accept an academic reference alone. For Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) migrants an academic transcript alone is sufficient.

To verify a degree awarded outside of the UK
Work is ongoing to standardise verification teams throughout the Home Office. Until then you must follow the process in place for verifications within your team. If you are not sure of the process within your team you must ask your line manager.

Degree awarded in the UK
To verify a degree awarded in the UK, you must contact the awarding institution:

- find the contact details of the institution on their website
- telephone and request a fax number for student records
- fax your request with a copy of the certificate or transcript.

If you do not receive a reply within three days, you must telephone the institution to request a response.

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	The awarding institution may ask for the written consent of the applicant before disclosing any information. If this happens, fax the signed declarations section of the application form which gives the Home Office the applicant's permission to verify documents. For information on when to award or refuse points for a degree taught in English, see related link: Award points or refuse: degree taught in English.	

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You can award 10 points for the English language requirement if you are satisfied the applicant has a qualification at degree level, or above, taught in English.

If you are not satisfied with the degree
You must check all supporting evidence submitted to see if you can award points another way. See related links:

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You must not award points for English language if no other supporting documents can be considered as evidence and note the reason for refusing the application on CID

If the applicant does not score 10 points for English language
You must refuse their application, even if they attained the pass mark for attributes and maintenance and meet all the other requirements of the Immigration Rules.

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This section tells you which migrants are either exempt from the English language requirement or have no English language requirement.

You can not award 10 points for the requirements in a previous grant of leave if false representations were made or a false document or information was submitted (whether it was with the applicants knowledge or not), in relation to the English language requirement in the application for that previous grant of leave.

You can award an applicant 10 points if they meet this requirement in a previous grant of leave if they have ever been granted leave as a:

- Tier 1 (General) migrant
- Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) migrant
- business person, or
- highly skilled migrant under the rules in place on or after 5 December 2006.

No English language requirements
There are no English language requirements for the following tiers:

- Tier 1 (Investor)
- Tier 1 (Exceptional talent – initial applications)
- Tier 2 (Intra-company transfer)
- Tier 5.

See related links for:

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This page tells you which migrants are exempt from the English language requirement under Tier 2 (General).

If an applicant applies for leave to remain under this category you can accept English language to level A1 or above if they have previously had leave as a:

- Tier 2 (General) migrant under the rules in place before 6 April 2011
- qualifying work permit holder
- representative of an overseas newspaper, news agency or broadcasting organisation
- member of the operation ground staff of an overseas owned airline, or
- Jewish agency employee.

And they have not been granted:

- leave to remain in any categories other than those listed above under the rules since 28 November 2008, or:
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This page tells you which migrants are exempt from the English language requirement under all applications except Tier 1 (General).

You can award an applicant 10 points if they have ever been granted leave as a:

- Minister of religion (not as a Tier 2 (Minister of religion) migrant) under the rules in place on or after 19 April 2007
- Tier 2 (Minister of religion) migrant if, when they were granted that leave, they obtained points for English language for:
  - being a national of a majority English speaking country
  - a degree taught in English, or
  - passing an English language test
- Tier 4 (General) student and the confirmation of acceptance for studies (CAS) used to support that application was assigned on or after 21 April 2011 for a course of at least degree level study.

If the applicant applies for leave under the following categories:

- Tier 1 (Entrepreneur)
- Tier 1 (Graduate entrepreneur)
- Tier 1 (Exceptional talent)
- Tier 2 (General), or
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you can award 10 points if they have ever been granted leave as a:

- Tier 1 (Exceptional talent) migrant
- Tier 2 (General) migrant under the rules in place on or after 6 April 2011, or
- Tier 4 (General) student and the CAS used to support that application was assigned on or after 21 April 2011, provided that when the applicant was granted that leave they

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	obtained points for having a knowledge of English equivalent to level B1 of the Council of Europe's common European framework for language learning, or above.
	
	If the applicant applies for leave under Tier 2 (General) or as a Tier 2 (Sportsperson), you can award 10 points if they have ever been granted leave as a:
	
	• Minister of religion (not as a Tier 2 (Minster of religion migrant) under the rules in place on or after 23 August 2004
	• Tier 2 migrant, provided that when they were granted that leave they obtained points for English language for:
	  ○ being a national of a majority English speaking country
	  ○ a degree taught in English, or
	  ○ passing an English language test.	

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This page tells you which migrants are exempt from the English language requirement when applying under Tier 1.

Tier 1 (General)
A Tier 1 (General) applicant is exempt from the English language requirement if they have ever been granted leave in the UK as a:

- Tier 1 (General) migrant
- Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) migrant
- businessperson (under paragraphs 200-210 of the Immigration Rules), or
- highly skilled migrant programme (HSMP) participant under the Immigration Rules which came into force on 5 December 2006.

Other Tier 1 categories
The following categories of applicant are exempt from the English language requirement:

- Tier 1 (Exceptional talent – extension applications only)
- Tier 1 (Entrepreneur), and
- Tier 1 (Graduate entrepreneur – global endorsement)

if they have ever been granted leave in the UK as a:

- Tier 1 (General) migrant
- Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) migrant
- businessperson, under paragraphs 200-210 of the Immigration Rules
- HSMP participant under the Immigration Rules which came into force on 5 December 2006
- Tier 1 (Post-study work) migrant
- Tier 2 (General) migrant, under the Immigration Rules in place on or after 6 April 2011
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	they got points for English language for: ○ being a national of a majority English speaking country ○ a degree taught in English, or ○ passing an English language test • minister of religion under the Immigration Rules in place on or after 19 April 2007 • Tier 4 (General) student, and the confirmation of acceptance for studies used to support the application was assigned on or after 21 April 2011, or • Tier 1 (Exceptional talent) migrant if they have already had an extension of leave to remain as a Tier 1 (Exceptional talent) applicant and have previously satisfied the English language requirement.	

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You can award an applicant 10 points for English language if they apply for leave to remain as a Tier 2 (General) migrant and have previously been granted entry clearance, leave to enter or leave to remain as a:

- Jewish agency employee
- member of the operational ground staff of an overseas-owned airline
- minister of religion, missionary or member of a religious order
- qualifying work permit holder
- representative of an overseas newspaper, news agency or broadcasting organisation

and has since been granted leave in any of the following categories:

- Tier 2 (General)
- Tier 2 (Intra-company transfer), and
- those listed under the transitional arrangements, as stated above, under the rules in place since 28 November 2008.

You can award an applicant 10 points for English language if the applicant:

- is applying for leave to remain as a Tier 2 (Minister of religion) migrant, or
- has previously been granted entry clearance, leave to enter and/or leave to remain as a:
  - minister of religion
  - missionary, or
  - member of a religious order, and
- has not been granted leave in any categories other than Tier 2 (Minister of religion) and those listed under the transitional arrangements, as stated above, under the rules in place since 28 November 2008.

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	You can award an applicant 10 points for English language if they: • apply for leave to remain as a Tier 2 (Sportsperson) migrant • have previously been granted entry clearance, leave to enter and/or leave to remain as a qualifying work permit holder, and • have not been granted leave in any categories other than Tier 2 (Sportsperson) and as a qualifying work permit holder under the rules in place since 28 November 2008.	

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This page tells you which migrants are exempt from the English language requirement when applying under Tier 4.

Tier 4 applications have no English language requirement in appendix B of the Immigration Rules.

However, Tier 4 sponsors must assess a student's English language ability if they are sponsoring a Tier 4 (General) student. The level of English language ability a Tier 4 (General) student must have depends on:

- the level of course they are applying to study
- the type of institution at which the Tier 4 (General) student will be studying, and
- if their Tier 4 sponsor considers them to be a gifted student.

For more information on the Tier 4 English Language requirements, see related link: Tier 4 (General) - English language requirement.

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