French Language Proficiency

Students applying to an AEC



Bill 96, Law 14

Applicants must demonstrate a sufficient level in reading and writing French by obtaining at least the following level in one of these tests:

Test	Reading	Writing	Global result
TCF*	450 points	B2	B2
TEF*	450 points	450 points	B2
DELF	10 points	10 points	B2
DALF	10 points	10 points	C1 or C2

^{*}TCF and TEF tests are accepted, except the TEF Express
The test must have been written within the last 2 years to be valid.

Exemptions

Some applicants may be exempt from proving their level of French. Verify if you satisfy any of the exemption categories:

- Hold a Certificate of Eligibility (ayant droit)
- Hold a high school diploma or Diplôme d'études professionnelles (DEP) issued by the Ministère de l'Éducation, du Loisir et du Sport, for which the student received high school instruction in French;
- Hold a high school diploma issued by the Minister of Education, Recreation and Sports, for which the student has received high school instruction in English and has successfully completed the course "French as a second language" in Secondary 5;
- Hold an Attestation d'Études Collégiales (AEC) from a college in Québec for which the student received instruction completely in French;
- Have successfully completed a program of study, given in French in Québec, leading to a Diplôme d'Études Collégiales (DEC) or a University-level diploma;
- Has successfully completed, outside Québec, a program of study given in French leading to a diploma equivalent to a DEC or a University-level diploma;
- Completed at least three years of full-time secondary or post-secondary education in French in Canada;
- Has successfully passed the Office québécois de la langue française examination for professional orders;
- Resides or has resided on a Reserve, on an establishment where a First Nations community lives or on Category I or Category I-N land within the meaning of the Act respecting the land regime in the James Bay and New Québec territories (chapter R-13.1).