

Aptis ESOL

Test taker ban policy

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Malpractice on the test day

If Aptis ESOL Test takers are found to have engaged in malpractice while taking the Aptis ESOL Test, they will not be allowed to complete the test and will not receive Aptis ESOL test results or an Aptis ESOL certificate.

Malpractice established after the test

If malpractice is detected by Examiners or the British Council Exams Team and the Aptis ESOL certificate has not yet been issued, the test taker's results will be cancelled, and this will be communicated to the test taker.

If malpractice is established after the test and the Aptis ESOL certificate has been issued, this certificate will be revoked, and the test taker's results will be cancelled.

In cases where it is not reasonable or possible to determine responsibility for malpractice but where the integrity of the test has been affected, the British Council Exams Team may decide to not issue results and ask the test taker to retake the Aptis ESOL test free of charge.

Severe malpractice

If a test taker is responsible for committing the following types of malpractice, a ban will be imposed on the test taker, and they will not be allowed to take the test. Severe forms of malpractice include:

- Impersonation.
- Copying.
- Using prepared notes/scripts found in the test taker on the test day.

Ban from taking the Aptis ESOL test

Test takers engaging in the above-mentioned severe malpractice are banned from taking the Aptis ESOL test for **one year** from the date when malpractice occurred and may be liable to legal action.