



Certification Exam Language Fluency Recommendations

The Sonography Canada Core and Generalist examinations are offered in English and French. The Cardiac and Vascular examinations are offered in English only at this time.

For candidates who wish to write the Sonography Canada exams in English but for whom English is not their first language, Sonography Canada recommends candidates have one of the following:

- internet-based (iBT) TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) with a minimum total score of 73, and a minimum score of 21 in speaking;
- paper-based TOEFL with a minimum score of 500, and TSE with a minimum score of 40;
- IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test – academic (AC) with a minimum overall score of 6 and a minimum score of 6 in speaking;
- IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test – general training (GT) with a minimum overall score of 6 and a minimum score of 6 in speaking;
- the MELA (Michener English Language Assessment) test with a minimum score of 8 in each of reading, listening, and speaking and a minimum score of 7 in writing.

As these are language fluency recommendations, Sonography Canada does not require candidates to submit documentation of language fluency testing to be eligible for the exams. It is the candidate's responsibility to ensure reasonable fluency prior to challenging the exams.

Please note: Sonography Canada's language fluency recommendations are similar to the language fluency requirements for registration with the provincial regulators in jurisdictions where sonography is a regulated profession. Candidates applying for registration in a regulated province must demonstrate language fluency and are strongly encouraged to review the registration requirements in the specific jurisdiction where they intend to seek employment.