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Denturist Association of Manitoba - LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to define language proficiency requirements for international applicants requesting to become a member of the Denturist Association of Manitoba (DAM). Applicants are responsible for the cost of language proficiency tests.

DAM recognizes that patient safety is key in our profession and therefore must ensure our members are proficient in their speaking, listening, reading, and writing abilities, in order to provide safe oral care.

- Combined language proficiency test scores are acceptable, only through language testing agencies with policies that permit combined scoring, and only where the combined scores of the applicant meet the testing agencies policies. Important to note that English and French scores cannot be combined.
- Language Proficiency test results are valid for up to 2 years from the date the test was administered to the time the application was received. The test results will remain valid throughout the application process, until the applicant receives a final decision from the Admissions Committee.
- Applicant's test results must be sent directly from the language testing agency to the Denturist Association of Manitoba's Admissions Committee or delegate.
- Language Proficiency testing is waived for those applicants who have graduated from a denturist program, that was completed in its entirety in English or French.
- Language Proficiency testing is waived for applicants whose first or primary language is English or French.

English Language Proficiency

Applicants who have not completed a denturist program entirely in English, or whose first or primary language is not English, must complete a standardized language proficiency test administered by a recognized 3rd party testing agency and meet or exceed the minimum cut-off score for that test. The cut-off scores required in the approved language tests reflect the minimum level of English language proficiency the Denturist Association of Manitoba believes is necessary for a prospective applicant to function successfully as a Registered Denturist. These cut-off scores are equivalent to a Canadian Language Benchmark (CLB) 7.

Canadian English Language Proficiency Index Program (CELP)

www.celpip.ca

Reading:	7.0
Listening:	7.0
Speaking:	7.0
Writing:	7.0

International English Language Testing System (IELTS) – General or Academic Test

www.ieltscanada.ca

Reading:	6.0
Listening:	6.0
Speaking:	6.0
Writing:	6.0

Note: The Denturist Association of Manitoba requires our applicants to complete the IELTS General Test. If an applicant has undertaken the IELTS Academic version, then we would accept this as well, as long as the above criteria is met.

French Language Proficiency

Applicants who have not completed a denturist program entirely in French, or whose first or primary language is not French, must complete a standardized language proficiency test administered by a recognized 3rd party testing agency and meet or exceed the minimum cut-off score for that test. The cut-off scores required in the approved language tests reflect the minimum level of French language proficiency the Denturist Association of Manitoba believes is necessary for a prospective applicant to function successfully as a Registered Denturist.

Test de connaissance du français (TCF Canada)

<https://www.france-education-international.fr/en/test/tcf-canada?langue=en>

Reading:	453-498
Listening:	458-502
Speaking:	10-11
Writing:	10-11

Test d'évaluation de français (TEF Canada)

<https://www.lefrançaisdesaffaires.fr/en/candidate/test-evaluation-francais/tef-canada/>

Reading:	434-461
Listening:	434-461
Speaking:	456-493
Writing:	428-471