



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education

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DepEd MEMORANDUM
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**ADMINISTRATION OF THE QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE
AND ISLAMIC STUDIES IN THE SECOND SEMESTER OF 2023**

To: Undersecretaries
Assistant Secretaries
Minister, Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned

1. As defined in DepEd Order No. 41, s. 2017¹, the Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS) is an examination administered to individuals applying to be *asatidz* (a general Arabic term for teachers historically or traditionally used in most Filipino Muslim communities). It aims to determine the proficiency of the takers in Arabic language and Islamic studies. Passing the said test is the entry-level requirement for *asatidz*.

2. The Department of Education (DepEd), through the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA), will administer the **Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS)** in the fourth quarter of this year in the following schools division offices (SDOs). The date of test administration will be announced in a separate memorandum:

Region of Origin of Examinees	Testing Center (Schools Division Office)	Allocation
I	Ilocos Sur	20
II	Isabela	20
Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)	Baguio City	40
III	Pampanga	20
IV-A	Cavite City	20
National Capital Region (NCR)	Makati City	240
IV-B	Palawan	160
V	Legazpi City	40
VI & VII	Cebu City	40
VIII	Tacloban City	20
IX	Zamboanga City	2,020

¹ Policy Guidelines on Madrasah Education in the K to 12 Basic Education Program



Isabela City and BARMM (Basilan, Sulu, and Tawi- Tawi)	Isabela City	300
X and BARMM (Marawi City and Lanao del Sur)	Iligan City	760
XI	Davao City	160
XII and BARMM: Maguindanao I and II	Cotabato Province	600
XII: Koronadal City	General Santos City	460
CARAGA	Butuan City	40

The registrants from the region assigned to the testing center must be prioritized. The number of registrants per testing center shall be limited to the number of allocation of test materials. Hence, registrants will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis.

3. The registrants must possess the following qualifications:
 - a. Filipino citizen aged 18 to 64 on the examination day, and
 - b. At least high school graduate in both secular (English) and Islamic (Arabic) Education.

4. The registrants must submit the following requirements:
 - a. Registration Form (2 copies) attached with most recent 1x1 ID picture with a name tag;
 - b. photocopy of Birth Certificate/Affidavit of Live Birth;
 - c. photocopy of any valid ID/Barangay Clearance/Certificate of Residency;
 - d. any of the two:
 - i. College Official Transcript of Records (OTR) or Diploma;
 - ii. Valid document as proof of high school graduation, like School Form 10 (SF10) or Diploma; and
 - e. any document that shows academic background in Islamic Education, such as school records with electives related to Islamic Education or a Certificate of Completion of an Islamic Education course.

5. The Division Testing Coordinator (DTC) of the SDO that will serve as the Testing Center will be designated as the Chief Examiner (CE). The CE will lead all the activities before, during, and after the test administration.

6. All Division Madrasah Education Program (MEP) Coordinators, in collaboration with the DTCs, shall facilitate the registration in their scope. Initial screening of the requirements must be done in the Divisions. Any DepEd personnel who are highly skilled in understanding Arabic texts may be tapped for assistance to screen the documents presented by the registrants.

7. The **list of qualified registrants** must be submitted to the Division MEP Coordinator of the Testing Centers on or before **November 23, 2023**. After the consolidation of lists, the Regional MEP Coordinator of the Testing Centers must review the prepared Form 1 (see Enclosure No. 1) and send it to the BEA-Education Assessment Division through email at bea.ead@deped.gov.ph.

8. One copy of the Registration Form (Enclosure No. 2) signed by an authorized evaluator must be returned to the registrants. The said document shall be presented by the registrant on the examination day.
9. The DTC of the Testing Centers, in collaboration with the Division MEP Coordinator, shall release a Division Memorandum regarding the following:
 - a. list of qualified registrants;
 - b. details about the test administration, such as the identified specific venue and schedule of qualified registrants; and
 - c. contact details of the key testing personnel.
10. In preparation for the test administration, the registrants and involved testing personnel should review the materials accessible through this link: **<https://bit.ly/DepEdQEALIS>**. The Google Drive folder of the said link shall be used to post contact details of the point persons for the activities and announcements related to the examination.
11. Prior to the test administration, a national virtual orientation will be conducted on **November 27, 2023**. This will be attended by the Regional and Division MEP Coordinators, RTCs, DTCs, and other key testing personnel that will be involved in the examination. Meeting details will be sent to the Regional MEP Coordinators and RTCs.
12. On the test administration, the registrants are required to bring the following:
 - a. registration form signed by an authorized evaluator;
 - b. original copy of requirements;
 - c. one copy of the most recent 1x1 ID picture with name tag; and
 - d. two pencils (No.2), an eraser, and a sharpener.
13. A BEA representative shall deliver and retrieve the test materials. He/She shall monitor the test administration.
14. A Certificate of Rating (COR) will be issued to the examinees for their individual ratings. Information regarding the release of results shall be disseminated through a separate memorandum.
15. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

By Authority of the Secretary:


GINA O. GONONG
Undersecretary



Encls.:

As stated

References:

DepEd Order (No. 41, s. 2017)

DepEd Memorandum No. 010, s. 2023

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under the following subjects:

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FORM 1

QUALIFYING EXAMINATION IN ARABIC LANGUAGE AND ISLAMIC STUDIES (QEALIS)
LIST OF EXAMINEES

REGION: _____ DIVISION: _____ TESTING CENTER: _____

ADDRESS: _____ ROOM NUMBER: _____ DATE OF EXAM: _____

Registrants: No. of Males _____ No. of Females _____ Total _____

Actual: No. of Males _____ No. of Females _____ Total _____

Name (Last Name, Given Name, Middle Initial)	Sex	Age	School Currently Assigned	Division	Region	Remarks (Present/ Absent)
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IMPORTANT:

1. This will be prepared by the Division MEP Coordinator.
2. Alphabetically sort the last names of all the registrants, males then females.
3. This must be updated by the Room Examiner on the testing day by accomplishing the remarks in the last column.
4. This will be printed one copy each for the Division Office, Examiner's Transmittal Report Envelope (ETRE), and Testing Room.

Room Examiner
Signature over Printed Name

Disclosure: By accomplishing this Registration Form, the registrant hereby consents to the collection, processing and storing of personal data by the Bureau of Education Assessment for the exclusive purpose of facilitating his/her application for the Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS).

most recent
1x1 ID
PICTURE with
name tag

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Qualifying Examination in Arabic Language and Islamic Studies (QEALIS)

REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Registrant (Pangalan ng Mag-eexam)	Last Name (Apyido)		First Name (Pangalan)			MI	
Mailing Address							
Email Address	Date of Birth (Petsa ng Kapanganakan) [MONTH/DD/YYYY June/11/2007]	Sex (Kasarian)	Age on December 3, 2023 (Edad sa ika-3 ng Disyembre 2023)	PWD [Y/N]	Contact Number		
Citizenship (Pagkamamamayan)	Date of Registration (Petsa ng Pagrehistro) [MONTH/DD/YYYY June/13/2022]		Highest Educational Attainment (Pinakamataas na Antas ng Pinag-aralan)		Background in Islamic Education		
School Currently Assigned (Paaralan na Pinagtuturuan sa Kasalukuyan)			Division (Dibisyon)		Region (Rehiyon)		
Testing Center/ Division - [Region of Origin of Registrant]							
I hereby declare under oath that I have personally accomplished this Registration Form and that by affixing my name below, I am certifying that all documents attached to this application is a faithful reproduction of the original, and that all statements and information provided therein are complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I am assuming full responsibility and accountability on the correctness of the details provided and authenticity of the documents submitted. I am aware that any violation will automatically disqualify me and authorize the Bureau of Education Assessment (BEA) to deny my qualification as a taker of QEALIS.							
<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 400px; height: 25px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> Signature over Printed Name of Registrant							

FOR THE EVALUATOR ONLY
(Do not answer this part)

Checklist & Requirements:

- Birth Certificate/Affidavit of Live Birth
- Photocopy of any valid ID/Barangay Clearance/ Certificate of Residency
- College OTR or diploma/ High School SF10 or diploma
- Any document that shows academic background in Islamic Education, such as school records with electives related to Islamic Education or Certificate of Completion of an Islamic Education course

Remarks: _____

QUALIFIED NOT QUALIFIED

Name & Signature of Evaluator / Date