Important Notice on HSK and HSKK Online Chinese Test (Home Edition)

This document has been updated with the latest changes announced by Chinese Testing International. **Please read carefully before registering to take your HSK & HSKK exams with Nottingham Confucius Institute.** Failure to do so may result in you failing to undertake the test or an invalid test result.

01. Registration requirements

Before registration, please make sure that your IT equipment/system and exam venue (the room where you are to take your exam) meet the test requirements.

Test takers are required to have access to a computer and a mobile phone/tablet. The computer is to be used to enter the answers whilst the mobile phone/tablet for invigilation purposes.

1. A computer running Windows 7/10.

(1) The online exams are not supported by Mac OS operating systems, so please do not use Mac computers/laptops.

(2) Screen resolution should be 1366*768 or above.

(3) High-definition PC camera (built-in or external; 300,000 pixels or above); the room should be well lit to ensure clear images.

(4) The computer should be equipped with wired earphones to ensure good quality sound. For the oral test HSKK, the earphones should be equipped with a microphone with clear sound and reception effect.

Note: The test itself cannot be conducted on mobile devices such as mobile phones, tablets, etc. Bluetooth devices, external USB storage devices, such as USB drives and wireless receivers, are not allowed during the test.

2. Mobile phone with camera: ZOOM, through which invigilation is to be conducted, must be downloaded onto the phone in advance.

(1) The test taker should enter the designated meeting room one hour before the test starts, placing the mobile phone one meter behind them and slightly to the left or the right, so that the invigilator can see both the computer screen and the test taker.

(2) The invigilator will need to undertake a 360-degree inspection of the test environment via ZOOM.

(3) The test taker should ensure his or her mobile phone is connected to WiFi and turn on flight mode.

(4) The mobile phone should be fully charged to ensure normal operation for the full duration of the test.

3. Network bandwidth should be 20M and speed 150KB/s or above. During the test, please close other unrelated applications and use the direct connection network to enter the test.

4. The test should be undertaken in a closed, separate room to ensure no disturbance. The test cannot take place in any open environment, for example parks, cafes or restaurants. All hardware and equipment that will be used for the test should be placed in plain sight on the desk. This should include no item that is not being used for the test. No one else may enter the test room during the test. The test result shall be rendered invalid if the test taker is seen to violate any of these regulations.

5. Cross-border registration is not allowed. Test takers who register for an online test with Nottingham Confucius Institute must be physically in the UK at the time of the exam.

6. Please ensure you can and will meet all the above requirements before you register for the exam. Should your exam venue, computer, mobile phone etc. fail to meet the above requirements after registration, your registration fee will not be refunded.

Also please note:

(1) It is not allowed to record the test questions, either on paper and/ or in any other way.

(2) With an aim to guarantee the safe operation of the test, test centers may ask for some personal details or documents, for example name, photo, or other information, and make audio and video recordings of the test. Data will only be collected for the purposes of the test in accordance with all relevant data protection laws and will be deleted permanently 30 days after the exam date.

02. Registration and payment

1. Visit www.chinesetest.cn to register online. While registering, the test taker should choose to register at Nottingham Confucius Institute test center.

2. Visit the University online store to pay the registration fee required by CLEC (the Center for Language Education and Cooperation).

3. Test date and registration deadline: The test date is **11 March 2023**.The registration and payment deadline is **24 February 2023**

4. Test fee for each online test (Home Edition)

£13 for HSK 1 (written test only)
£26 for HSK 2 (written test only)
£45 for HSK 3 (written test and oral test - HSKK Beginners)
£70 for HSK 4 ((written test and oral test - HSKK Intermediate)
£95 for HSK 5 (written test and oral test - HSKK Advanced)
£105 for HSK 6 (written test and oral test - HSKK Advanced)

Latest changes: as recently announced by Chinese Testing International, from January 2022 onwards, all test takers except those taking HSK 1 and 2 are required to register to take both the written test and the relevant oral test HSKK stated above.

03. Test form

The test takers should log in to the client-side terminal of the online test system through their personal computer. Test invigilators at the test centre will conduct remote real-time invigilation throughout the test.

04. Test admission tickets and results

Test admission tickets will be issued to test takers by the NCI test centre ten days prior to the test.

Written test results will be available to view by logging in to www.chinesetest.cn with the information on the test admission ticket 10 working days after the completion of the HSK. However, it will take approximately 25 working days for Oral test results to appear online after the HSKK exam date.

Test takers can print out Score Reports on the homepage of the website www.chinese.cn.