ISTQB™ Advanced Level Exam Information Sheet

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1. General

1.1. Purpose

This document contains rules and procedures for exams related to the ISTQB Advanced Level syllabus.

1.2. Scope

This document covers
  a) the number of questions per exam
  b) the length of the exam
  c) the distribution of questions per topic (chapter)
  d) the passing score

1.3. References

[CTAL_2012] ISTQB Advanced Syllabus 2012

1.4. Revision History

Date	Version	Remarks
01-Nov-2012	0.9	Exam Working Group
10- Nov-2012	1.0	Minor updates from EWG feedback.

1.5. Definitions

CTAL: Acronym for Certified Tester Advanced Level

2. Advanced Level Exam Rules

- Advanced Level exams will be based on the syllabus [CTAL_2012].
- Answers to exam questions may require the use of material based on more than one section of this syllabus.
- All learning objectives of the syllabus are examinable.
- Exam questions may require knowledge from Foundation Level learning objectives.

2.1. Exam Structure

- There are 3 separate modules in the Advanced syllabus: Test Manager, Test Analyst, Technical Test Analyst, each of which has an independent exam.
- Each question answered correctly scores between one and three points.
- The exam questions will be distributed 'roughly' in line with the Learning Objectives of each chapter.
- The number of questions and exam timing for each module is indicated in the following table. If the candidate's native language is not the exam language, the exam duration is increased by 25%.

Module	Number of questions	Exam Length (in minutes)	Exam Length + 25% (in minutes)
Advanced Test Manager	65	180	225
Advanced Test Analyst	60	180	225
Advanced Technical Test Analyst	45	120	150

2.2. Passing Score

- A score of at least 65% is required in order to pass an exam.