

Testing center limitations during Covid-19

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ODA has prided itself on developing a system which enables potential test takers to take online exams and receive immediate exam scores at over 20 proctored locations through-out the state. Since 2016, this has resulted in flexibility for Oregon test takers and for more rapid license issuance. ODA has contracted with Metro Institute and the testing centers to provide excellent customer service.

However, to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19, many of our testing centers (community colleges and universities) have temporarily suspended classes and other services. Therefore, in many cases the proctored test taking centers are not open, and therefore online exams are not offered.

Current options include:

1. Travel to any of the remaining Oregon testing centers that are still open.
2. Wait until the Oregon test taking center closest to you opens up again.
3. Depending on the exam and license, you may consider examining in a state where there is partial reciprocity with Oregon, and where paper exams may possibly be still offered.

Oregon has partial reciprocity with Washington and Idaho. Read the information at the link below, and contact ODA if you have questions:
oda.direct/ReciprocalLicensing.

Note: Because of public health related concerns, some states may temporarily cease offering paper exams with little notice. **Check frequently with that state prior to making plans.**

How to schedule exams in Idaho:

Idaho has resumed applicator licensing exams. For details, go to <https://oda.fyi/IdahoTesting>.

How to schedule exams in Washington:

- Call the WSDA toll-free line at 877.301.4555 to schedule exams.
- To minimize any business disruptions during this serious pandemic, ODA and Metro Institute will stay in frequent contact with the testing centers, and will update our websites when provided with new information.

If you have any questions, contact:

ODA at 503.986.4635; or email pestx@oda.state.or.us

Metro at 877.533.2900, or go to
www.metrosignup.com/home.asp

Status of testing centers

We will attempt to keep the list below updated. However, because of public health related concerns, some testing centers may close with little advanced notice. Therefore, please confirm that a testing center will be open, prior to making plans.

Testing centers that are open (remember to reconfirm):

- Bend: Sylvan Learning Center
- Brookings: Southwestern Oregon Community College
- Burns: Treasure Valley Community College (Tuesdays-Fridays; call Metro or location for details)
- Coos Bay: Southwestern Oregon Community College
- Eugene: University of Oregon
- Gresham: Mount Hood Community College (on Mondays)
- Hermiston: Blue Mountain Community College (limited operations; contact Metro or location for details)
- Klamath Falls: Klamath Community College
- La Grande: Eastern Oregon University
- McMinnville: Chemeketa Community College (limited availability)
- Milwaukie: Sylvan Learning Center
- Ontario: Treasure Valley Community College (on Tuesdays)
- Pendleton: Blue Mountain Community College (limited operations; contact Metro or location for details)
- Portland: Sylvan Learning Center (Fremont)
- Roseburg: Umpqua Community College
- Salem: Chemeketa Community College (on Thursdays)
- Salem: Sylvan Learning Center
- The Dalles: Columbia Gorge Community College (limited operations; contact Metro or location for details)
- White City: Rogue Community College (on Mondays)

Testing centers that are closed:

- Albany: Linn-Benton Community College
- Astoria: Clatsop Community College
- Bend: Central Oregon Community College
- Klamath Falls: Oregon Institute of Technology
- Oregon City: Clackamas Community College
- Portland/Rock Creek: Portland Community College
- Wilsonville: Clackamas Community College