
FAQs about Cambridge Exemptions for Private Candidates

1) What are Covid-19 exemptions?

Cambridge has announced that both schools and private candidates can opt to not sit particular components in some subjects, but still receive an overall syllabus grade in the May-June 2022 exam series if their learning has been disrupted by Covid-19, for example, due to lockdowns or ban on gatherings.

2) Will there be exemptions for all the subjects or as per candidates' requirements?

Candidates can only apply for exemptions in components of selected subjects (find the full list of eligible subjects and components [here](#)). Eligible components include science and ICT practical exams, and speaking/listening tests, but generally not the written components.

3) What is the method of assessing grade in the case of exemption?

Please click [here](#) to know complete details regarding the method of assessing grades in the case of exemptions.

4) What is the process for exemptions application for private candidates?

Private candidates will have to register for all their chosen subjects as normal. Once registration deadlines are closed, then private candidates will receive an online form on their registered email address from the British Council to apply for exemptions.

5) What is the deadline for exemptions application for private candidates?

06th April 2022 is the deadline for private candidates to apply for exemptions in the Cambridge May-June 2022 exam series.

6) Will there be any refund against exempted component?

There will be no refund against the approved exemptions.

7) Can exemption requests be withdrawn/added to/amended and what is the process?

Candidates can request to withdraw or amend their exemption request by sending an email to British Council at info@kw.britishcouncil.org before 06th April.

8) Is there any penalty fee for late applications for exemptions?

There is no penalty fee, but you must submit your application by 06th April.

9) Can a private candidate apply for exemptions after the deadline?

Exemptions will not be accepted after the deadline. i.e., 6th April for private candidates.

10) When will private candidates receive an update that their request for an exemption has been accepted or declined by Cambridge?

British Council will inform **private candidates of Cambridge's decision** by latest 20th April 2022.