



DPO ACE Level 1 PROGRAM EXAMINATION FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Who are eligible to take the DPO ACE Level 1 Program Examination (Examination)?

The Examination is exclusive to those who have completed the DPO ACE Level 1 Training conducted by the NPC and its accredited training partners under the Training the Trainers (T3) Program.

The accredited training partners under the T3 Program are:

- Atty. Karl John A. Baquiran
- Atty. Kayzer Aldrin Z. Saba
- ADM and Partners Data Privacy and Consulting, Inc.
- Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP)
- Dr. Rolando R. Lansingan
- Global Knowledge PH, Inc.
- Lights Consultancy, OPC (Lights Institute)
- People Management Association of the Philippines (PMAP)
- Privacy Key Specialists PH, Inc.
- Process Synergy, Inc. (PROSYNC)
- Straits Interactive Training and Services, Inc.
- University of Asia and the Pacific (Center for Research and Communication Foundation, Inc.)
- Yisrael Solutions and Training Center, Inc.

2. Do I need to pay to take the Examination?

No, taking the Examination is free of charge.

3. When and where will the Examination be held?

The Examination will be held on April 24-25, 2023 at Audio-Visual Room (AVR) in the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) Office in Quezon City, Metro Manila.

4. How can I register for the Examination?

Please register at <https://forms.gle/aZSdNgCQhY2o9qie6>.

5. What must I present when I register my attendance on the date of my schedule?

Please present a valid government-issued ID and a printed or digital screenshot of the confirmation email showing the details of your registration, including the control number assigned to you.

6. Do I need to present negative antigen test results before entering the venue?

No, negative antigen test results are not necessary. Please, however, take note of DICT's COVID-19 Safety Precautions:

Guests, including DPO ACE examinees, are required to:

- Submit a **photocopy of a COVID-19 vaccination card** prior to entering the building for documentation that guests are up to date with COVID-19 vaccines;
- Fill out a **health declaration form** prior to entering the building;
- Present a **company or any government-issued ID** prior to entering the building;
- Wear double masks (e.g., 1 cloth mask over 1 surgical/medical mask, 1 KN95 over 1 surgical/medical mask) or a tight-fitting N95 mask at all times;
- Maintain at least one (1) meter distance from each other; and
- Observe proper cough etiquette.

7. What is the mode of the Examination?

The Examination is comprised of a single exam consisting of fifty (50) multiple-choice questions.

The Examination is open-book and Examinees may bring their own printed materials during the Examination. Sharing of printed materials or the use of digital materials, however, is prohibited.

In-person testing, using pen and paper, will be conducted at the designated testing sites. Erasures will **not** be allowed.

Examinees are required to bring two (2) pens with blue ink.

8. Will my personal belongings be surrendered to NPC personnel or proctor before the start of the Examination?

No. Examinees are allowed to place their bags near their seats, but all items must be kept inside the bags. Examinees are solely responsible for the safekeeping of their belongings throughout the duration of the Examination.

Unpacking or opening of bags during the Examination is strictly prohibited and may lead to disqualification. Examinees should already prepare their printed materials for the open-book Examination before the Examination starts.

9. May I bring gadgets to the venue?

Bringing of laptops, tablets, and cellphones is allowed, provided they are kept in bags and set on silent mode before the Examination starts. Smartwatches are strictly prohibited during the Examination.

10. How long is the duration of the Examination?

Examinees will be given eighty minutes to finish the Examination. There will be no breaks once the Examination has started. Examinees are not allowed to leave the venue during the Examination unless they have finished early and submitted the Examination to the proctor.

11. Will late Examinees be accommodated?

No. Please arrive at least **forty-five minutes** prior to the exam start time to complete the necessary check-in procedures of the DICT and the registration of your attendance for the Examination. You will not be admitted to the venue once the Examination has started.

12. Are snacks allowed inside the venue?

No. Examinees are not allowed to bring any snacks with them to the testing site. Water bottles or tumblers, however, are allowed.

13. Can I reschedule my Examination?

No. Examinees are strongly advised to carefully select their Examination schedule.

14. Will there be other opportunities to take the Examination in the future?

No. The existing PhilDPO Programs are coming to an end. The NPC is in the process of developing new programs that will sufficiently cover the foundational and operational aspects of the DPA necessary for practitioners as well as anyone who seeks to have a better understanding of the DPA and its application to actual situations.

15. When will the results be released?

Examinees will receive an email notifying them of the results of the Examination within four (4) weeks.