

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
2015 ACT 55 CIVICS TEST REQUIREMENT**

1. What is the civics test requirement?

2015 Act 55, requires that all persons who earn a high school equivalency diploma (HSED) or certificate of general education development (GED) in Wisconsin pass the civics test that is required for high school graduation with a score of 60 correct out of 100 questions.

2. Which civics test?

The 100 questions that may be asked of a person applying for U.S. Citizenship given by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. Here is the link:
<https://www.uscis.gov/citizenship/teachers/educational-products>

3. Where do I take this test?

At the same testing center where you take your GED tests or complete your HSED requirements.

4. How do I schedule the test?

Please contact your testing center to schedule the test for the next few months. We hope to have a computer based scheduling option in place by Fall 2016.

5. When does this requirement take effect?

For any person earning a GED or HSED after July 1, 2016.

6. I already passed some GED tests, does this requirement apply to me?

Yes, it applies to anyone who has not completed testing and been credentialed by July 1, 2016.

7. May I use three credits of social studies or a civics course to meet this requirement?

No, the new law does not permit the three credits of social studies or the approved civics course, only the new civics test.

8. I am a naturalized citizen, do I still have to take this test?

Yes, you must take the 100 question test and earn a score of 60 or better.

9. I don't like this change in the law, who may I contact?

You may find out who your legislator is through this website: <http://legis.wisconsin.gov/> or by calling 1-800-362-9472.

10. What languages are available to take the test?

English and Spanish

11. I completed the test at my high school, do I need to take it again?

Provide your high school transcript or documentation from your high school that shows you passed the new civics test to your testing center and you will not have to take the test again.

12. Who do I contact for additional information:

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