

SOCIAL ORIENTATION (MO) COURSE AND TEST REGULATIONS

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To obtain a civic integration certificate, you must achieve the goals for the social orientation (MO) programme component.

These rules define how you can achieve the MO goals.

The Agentschappen Integratie en Inburgering (Social and Civic Integration Agencies) wish you success on the 'course and the test'.

1 WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE MO PROGRAMME COMPONENT?

You can find the goals on documents.mijninburgering.be.

These goals define:

- what you need to understand at the end of the programme component
- what you should be able to do at the end of the programme component
- which values and standards are important

2 HOW DO YOU ACHIEVE THE MO GOALS?

2.1 You have already achieved the MO goals before signing the civic integration contract.

You already took an MO course during a previous programme

OR

You have passed the MO exemption test.

You do not have to take an MO course. You will be exempted from the MO programme component.

2.2 You take an MO course and pass the MO test.

You were evaluated by the MO teacher during the course. You must have passed the MO test. The combination of these two elements gives you a positive end result.

- The MO test counts for 60% of the final result
- The evaluation during the course counts for 40% of the final result

2.2.1 How will you be evaluated during the MO course?

Core Skills

The teacher will help you develop core skills. The teacher will evaluate the core skills. Each course moment can count as an evaluation.

Regular Participation

You are present. You submit tasks on time.

Failure to do so will have a negative effect on your result.

Constructive Active Participation

You cooperate during the course. You behave appropriately with fellow students and the teacher.

Failure to do so will have a negative effect on your result.

2.2.2 How will you be evaluated during the post-course MO test?

You have passed the post-course test if you:

- obtained at least 50% on the entire MO test AND
- obtained at least 80% on the questions about values and standards in Belgium.

3 THE MO TEST

3.1 How is the 'post-course test' organised?

3.1.1 The appointment

- You will be given an appointment with a test centre.
- Bring an identity document.

- Be at the agreed location 15 minutes before the start of the test.

3.1.2 Take the 'post-course test'

- You will be taking the test on a computer.
- The test consists of multiple-choice questions.
- You have maximum 120 minutes to work on the test.

3.1.3 Assessment of the 'post-course test'

The computer automatically grades the test.

3.2 Which rules apply during the test?

- You receive an invitation for the test.
- You are present at the agreed location 15 minutes before the start of the test.
- A staff member verifies your identity by means of your identity document. Are you using someone else's identity? That is a punishable offence. The court can prosecute you.
- You take the test individually. You do not talk to other participants during the test. Only participants are allowed in the test room.
- You are not allowed to copy or photograph the test. You are not allowed to copy the questions. You are not allowed to make the questions public. That is a punishable offence. The court can prosecute you.
- You turn off your cell phone. You put it away until after the test.
- You stay in the test room during the test.
- You do not take anything from the test room.

You do not respect these rules?

The staff member will not start your test, or they will terminate your test. The staff member will file a report on the situation. You have officially taken the test. **You did not pass**.

Caution: Are you obliged to attend the civic integration programme? You may be penalised.

3.3 What if you cannot take the MO test?

3.3.1 You cannot come? You will be late?

- Immediately contact a staff member.
- You need a valid reason:
 - You are ill.
 - There is an emergency.
- Contact your programme counsellor to discuss the situation.
- You make a new appointment for the test.
- You will be late? You are not allowed to take the test.

Beware of these 2 situations:

- You do not contact the staff nor your programme counsellor.
- You do not have a valid reason for being late or absent.

In both these cases you fail the test.

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3.3.2 What if the test centre cancels the appointment?

The test centre may cancel a test due to an emergency. A staff member will contact you. You will be given a new appointment.

4 THE MO END RESULT

4.1 How do you obtain the result?

The Agency will send the result in writing, no later than three weeks after the test.

The results will be added to your file in the client system of the Vlaamse Agentschap Integratie en Inburgering, Atlas (Antwerpen) en Amal (Gent).

4.2 What if you do not pass for the programme component?

If integration is compulsory for you, you must take the MO course or certain parts of the MO course again. After the MO course you will take the MO test again.

OR

A committee decides that you do not have the learning capacities to achieve the educational goals of MO. You do not have to attend the MO course again. You do not have to take the test again.

If integration is not compulsory for you, discuss the options with your programme counsellor.

4.2.1 When does the committee decide that you do not have the learning capacity to pass the MO test?

- You have actively attended the MO course. You have made sufficient efforts throughout the course.
- You failed the MO test.

and

- You do not have the learning capacity to pass the MO test.

At the end of the civic integration programme, you will receive a 'attest van geleverde inspanningen tot het behalen van het inburgeringsattest'. You will not receive a civic integration certificate.

4.3 When can you be penalised?

Are you obliged to attend the civic integration programme?

You may be sanctioned in these situations:

- You refuse to register for an appropriate proposal for the MO programme component
- You do not start the course you registered for.
- You fail the 2nd MO test, **and** you did not regularly attend the MO¹ course. You had no valid reason for your absence.

5 HOW MUCH DO THE MO COURSE AND THE MO TEST COST?

You will find the cost of the MO course and MO test in the 'Retributiereglement Inburgering'

¹ You are contactable and respond to a contact from your programme counsellor

AND

You attend at least 80% of the classes.. This means:

- You are physically present in the classroom.
- You are present during online classes.
- You submit your tasks on time.
- You participate in activities and projects.

6 DO YOU HAVE A DISABILITY, LEARNING DISABILITY OR ILLNESS?

Inform us of your disability, learning disability or condition when registering for the test. A staff member will examine with you which adjustments are possible.

7 DO YOU HAVE A COMPLAINT, OR DO YOU WISH TO APPEAL?

7.1 Are you not satisfied with the course, the test, or the procedure?

You can file a complaint.
Go to the website www.integration-inburgering.be/klacht-of-beroep

7.2 You do not agree with the result?

You can appeal.

When?

No later than 30 days from reception of your result.

How?

- Go to the website www.integration-inburgering.be/klacht-of-beroep
- Your appeal must be submitted in writing.

An appeals committee will review your result.

The appeals committee will decide on your appeal no later than 60 days from reception of the appeal.