



Did you know our certificates don't expire?

Cambridge English exam certificates do not have an expiry date*.

They show that on a particular date a candidate demonstrated language skills at a specified level.

However language skills are known to diminish over time if not used and maintained.

Individual institutions (such as universities, employers, professional organisations and government bodies) can choose how long to accept results for. Some institutions will only accept certificates taken within the last 2 or 3 years, although many will take into account evidence that candidates have taken action to maintain or improve their level of English since taking their exam. Candidates should speak to the institution that they wish to apply to if they have any doubts.

Applicants for a visa to study or live in a country may also be required to hold an English qualification that was taken within a specified period (within the last two years for example). We strongly advise that candidates check the regulations for that country carefully before making an application.

*The only exceptions to this are:

IELTS - results are valid for two years only.

BULATS - employers/educational institutions may ask for some further proof of a candidate's level of English if the test was taken more than two years previously.