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## **ONLINE TESTING SYSTEM**





# [USE OF 3RD PARTY PROCTOR]

Differences in workflow for use of a 3rd party proctor

### GUIDELINES ON 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY PROCTOR USE

#### **GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS**

As you may know, high stakes testing requires the use of a proctor in order to effectively support the results of tests. Proctors perform many vital tasks, such as:

- Verifying that a candidate is who they say they are by checking their identification (e.g. driver's license, passport)
- Protecting the integrity of the test by making sure candidates do not use unauthorized sources to look up information
- Removing distractions and providing a quiet and consistent testing environment for the candidate

Many of our clients administer tests on-site and can use a conference room, an office, or an empty cubicle to proctor the tests. However, we understand that there may be situations where the candidates have to be proctored off-site. Thus, questions arise about the proper way to handle this situation.

Ramsay Corporation does not officially sponsor or have any formal arrangements with any 3<sup>rd</sup> party proctoring services. However, this question occurs frequently enough that we have some general recommendations.

#### PROCTORING RECOMMENDATIONS

Please note that this list is not exhaustive. We highly recommend that if you use a 3<sup>rd</sup> party proctor, they should follow the same standards as any other high stakes tests you administer. Costs for using their services may vary, and Ramsay Corporation makes no guarantee for the use of their services.

- Many local community colleges have a workforce development department
- The National College Testing Association has a list of testing centers who can work with you
  - You can reach them at <a href="http://www.ncta-testing.org/">http://www.ncta-testing.org/</a>
- College prep and learning centers such as Sylvan are sometimes willing to proctor
- Local and national staffing agencies are familiar with companies using testing as a pre-hire metric, and often they will have staff capable of working with you to proctor

Privacy and confidentiality should be a concern in selecting a proctor. In addition to maintaining control of candidate and test information, you should make sure that the proctor agrees to keep the test content confidential and to uphold your testing standards. Please be aware that test content is copyrighted material and should be protected as such.

### WORKFLOW IN CLIENT USE OF 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY PROCTOR

#### **OVERVIEW**

Using Ramsay Corporation's Online Testing System involves four major steps:

- 1. Purchase testing administrations (test credits).
- 2. Assign candidates to "test credits" to create sessions.
- 3. Administer the tests to candidates.\*
- 4. View results of test administrations.

\*Using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party proctor requires the client to pass along certain information to the 3<sup>rd</sup> party proctor so that they can fulfill the responsibilities for completing step 3.

#### DETAILS FOR PROCESS WITHOUT 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY

#### 1. Purchasing test credits

- a. Test credits, or administrations, are purchased through our product catalog on our website. You can access the Product Catalog at <a href="http://www.ramsaycorp.com/catalog/">http://www.ramsaycorp.com/catalog/</a> and then use the filters to find the test you are looking for.
- b. If we have created a custom product for you, use the "Custom" filter after logging in to your account to find that test quickly and easily.
- 2. Assign candidates to "test credits" to create sessions.
  - a. When test credits are used during the assignment process, each assignment is given a "session key" which is used to start a candidate's testing session. These session keys do not expire, and are immediately active after assignment.

#### 3. Proctor tests

- a. We require that all of our tests be administered in a proctored environment. The proctor can be a representative of your company or an authorized 3<sup>rd</sup> party.
- b. Online Tests can be administered on any modern computer browser. Technical recommendations and requirements can be found on our Online Testing Help System, at: http://help.ramsaycorp.com/techspecs

#### 4. View results

- a. Results are available immediately after a candidate completes a test and submits it for grading via the "End Test" button, or if they run out of time on our timed tests.
- b. Emails are NOT generated when candidates complete testing. All of our tests require a proctor, and the proctors inform administrators of test completion.
- c. There are two different types of reports. Qualification reports list names and qualification status based on a cutting score. Raw score reports show the number of items correct for each candidate and can be restricted by access level.

#### PROCESS FOR 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY HANDOFF

The process between steps 2 and 3 will involve a few adjustments to allow a 3<sup>rd</sup> party proctor to successfully administer a test to a candidate.

