



National Council on Technical and Vocational Education and Training

Fact Sheet - Challenge Test

A Challenge Test is a summative assessment that can be used to determine the competency level of an individual in a particular occupational area. This assessment is designed especially for skilled workers with no formal certification. Challenge Test is offered at Levels 1 and 2.

The Assessment Process

Candidate is assessed against the requirements of the Competency Standards as listed on the relevant Qualification Plan available on the NCTVET website at: www.nctvetjamaica.org

The assessment consists of two (2) components:

1. **External Written Assessment (EWA)** [multiple choice questions]
2. **External Practical Assessment (EPA)** [maximum of five (5) related tasks]

Assessment requirements/guidelines:

- Candidate will be assigned an advisor (where applicable) who will provide guidance during the process
- The assessment is offered at a mutually convenient time to the NCTVET and the candidate
- Candidate must access/acquire the relevant Competency Standards/Curriculum/Learner Guides
- Candidate should be literate and numerate at least at the Grade 9 level
- Candidate has a maximum of three (3) years to re-sit any component *in which he/she was not successful*
- Gaps identified must be closed (e.g. through formal and informal training) before reassessment

The NVQ-J/CVQ Certificate of Competence will be awarded once all the requirements for certification have been met.

The Challenge Test fees:

(Per applicant)

Fees are subject to change without notice

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| • Registration Fee | - | \$ 600.00 |
| • Assessment (Level 1) | - | \$5,000.00 |
| • Assessment (Level 2) | - | \$6,050.00 |

Submission of a signed application form confirms agreement to the terms and conditions of this assessment (see Challenge Test Handbook on the NCTVET website for detail). Application form must be submitted with the appropriate proof of fee payment. Fees must be paid at any National Commercial Bank (NCB), or online to the following account: Ministry of Education and Culture, Current Account #: 062334258. Payment can also be made to the NCTVET Accounting Officer.

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