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NOTICE

Amendments in Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE - Class X) Year 2025 **Examination Regulations**

This is to inform all stakeholders that CISCE has made a few amendments to its Examination Regulations in the following Chapters / Subunits of the ICSE Year 2025 Regulations, related to the Examination Results, all stakeholders are advised to review the revised regulations carefully:

a) CHAPTER II

- C Awards and conditions for awards
- D Issue of Results
- E Certificates etc.
- G Evaluation of answer scripts
- H Enquiries concerning examination results

b) CHAPTER III

C – Power to alter, cancel results, certificates, etc. point 2.

c) CHAPTER IV

- A. General Arrangements
- d) CHAPTER V Compartment Examination
- e) CHAPTER VI Discretionary power of the Chief Executive & Secretary

The amended ICSE Year 2025 Regulations would henceforth be read as follows:

a) CHAPTER II

C. Awards and conditions for awards:

1. PASS CERTIFICATES CUM STATEMENT OF MARKS will be awarded to candidates who have been confirmed for the examination with at least six subjects as detailed in Chapter II, B (1) and have attained the pass standard in at least five subjects which must include the subject English.

Provided that no candidate, except as otherwise exempted by CISCE, be awarded a Pass Certificate Cum Statement of Marks unless in addition to fulfilling the conditions mentioned above, the candidate has attained a pass grade in SUPW and Community Service as assessed internally by the school.





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2. SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF MARKS will be awarded to candidates who appear in a subsequent examination in *one* or *more* subjects.

3. STATEMENT OF MARKS will be issued to candidates who appear for the examination but do not qualify.

The pass mark for each subject is 33%.

D. Issue of Results:

Schools/Candidates can view and print the result online. In addition, Result documents will be sent to Heads of Schools after the declaration of results. The result sheets show the result in the examination as a whole and also indicate the standard reached in each subject taken, (except Socially Useful Productive Work and Community Service) by grades ranging from 1 to 9, 1 being the highest and 9 the lowest. Grades 1 and 2 are indicated by *Very good*. Grades 3, 4 and 5 indicate a *pass with credit*, 6 and 7 indicate a *pass* and 8 and 9 a *failure*.

The standard reached in Socially Useful Productive Work and Community Service (Internally Assessed) will be shown on the result sheets by grades A, B, C, D or E; A being the highest and E the lowest. A, B, C or D indicate a *pass* and E a *failure*.

E. Result Documents:

- Pass Certificate cum Statement of Marks / Statement of Marks / Supplementary Statement
 of Marks will be issued through the Heads of Schools as soon as possible after the issue of
 results.
- 2. Duplicate *Pass Certificate Cum Statement of Marks* may be requested for, online, by the Heads of the School / Candidate with supporting documents and on payment of prescribed charges.
- 3. Migration Certificates will be issued on request by CISCE to candidates who have Qualified the Examination.
- 4. Duplicate Migration Certificates will be issued to those candidates who have lost their original Migration Certificates and have submitted an online request for the same either independently or through the Head of their School with supporting documents and on payment of prescribed charges.

G. Evaluation of answer scripts:

- The evaluation of answer scripts and of the other work done by candidates during the
 examination is within the domestic jurisdiction of CISCE and, therefore, no candidate,
 outside person or authority has jurisdiction to check / scrutinise the answer scripts or other
 work done by any candidate.
- 2. The marking of answer scripts and of the other work done by candidates during the examination conducted by CISCE or its examiners and the results of such marking shall be final and legally binding on all candidates. The **Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE** will

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not, except in his absolute discretion, enter into correspondence about results with candidates or their parents or guardians or the person claiming to act in loco parentis.

H. Enquiries concerning examination results:

- Enquiries concerning examination results on behalf of the school candidates must be made
 to the Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE by the Head of the School concerned only and
 must reach CISCE, not later than the specified date. Enquiries should be restricted only to
 results which are significantly below the standard suggested by the candidate's schoolwork
 in the subject.
- 2. Recheck: The accuracy of a subject grade awarded will be checked on request, in one or more subjects / papers, provided that the Head of the School / Candidate submits the application online. Applications for recheck must be submitted online and must be received at CISCE's office not later than FOUR days from the day of the declaration of results. For each recheck request, candidates, through their school / candidates themselves, will be required to pay a fee per subject / paper, as prescribed by CISCE from time to time, which shall be made online.

The recheck will be restricted only to check whether:

- all the answers have been marked;
- there has been a mistake in the totalling of marks for each question in the subject / paper and in transferring the marks correctly onto the cover page of the answer script;
- the continuation sheets attached to the answer script, as mentioned by the candidate, are intact.
 - (i) The recheck will be carried out by a competent person appointed by the Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE.
 - (ii) On rechecking the scripts, if it is found that there is an error, the marks will be revised accordingly.
 - (iii) The results of all the Recheck requests received by CISCE will be declared together, on the website of CISCE (www.cisce.org).

The candidates who are not satisfied with their Recheck results in the subjects/papers for which they had applied, will be permitted to apply for Re-evaluation of their Answer Scripts of those subjects/papers only.

3. **Re-evaluation**: The accuracy of a subject grade awarded will be checked on request, in one or more subjects / papers, provided that the Head of the School / Candidate submits the application online. Applications for Re-evaluation must be submitted online and received by CISCE **within three days** from the date of the declaration of the Recheck results.

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The date of declaration of Recheck results will be notified to all the stakeholders, through the website of CISCE (www.cisce.org).

For each Re-evaluation, candidates, through their school / candidates themselves, will be required to pay a fee per subject / paper as prescribed by CISCE, from time to time, which shall be made online. The charges paid for Re-evaluation of answer scripts will be non-refundable.

The results of all the Re-evaluation requests received by CISCE will be declared together, on the website of CISCE (<u>www.cisce.org</u>).

- (i) The re-evaluation of answer script will be carried out by a competent person appointed by the Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE.
- (ii) On re-evaluation of the answer scripts by the subject expert, the marks awarded, whether <u>increased</u> or <u>decreased</u>, will be considered as the FINAL marks.

Important Points

- (I) No candidate, person or organisation shall be entitled to claim disclosure or inspection of the answer scripts or copies of it and other documents as these are treated as most confidential by CISCE.
- (II) CISCE will not be responsible for any loss or damage, or any inconvenience caused to the candidate, consequent to the revision of marks and no claims in this regard shall be entertained.
- (III) The Result documents for the candidates who have applied for Recheck / Reevaluation, will be released after the result of Re-evaluation is declared.
- (IV) The result of Recheck / Re-evaluation will be made available on DigiLocker as well.

The decision of the Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE on the result of the recheck and re-evaluation shall be final.

4. Main Weaknesses Report: If the Head of a School considers that the results in any one subject are significantly below reasonable expectation, the Head of the School may request the Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE for special notes on the main weaknesses shown by the work of a few selected candidates from the School. It is necessary to limit such notes to only one subject / paper per School on any one occasion of examination and to restrict the enquiry to the work of not more than six candidates whose work is significantly below the standard as suggested by the candidates' School work in the subject. Applications for special notes must be sent online to CISCE's office not later than four days from the day of the declaration of results. Charges commensurate with the work involved will have to be paid online to CISCE by the School.

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b) CHAPTER III

C. Power to alter, cancel results, certificates, etc.

2. The **Chief Executive and Secretary of CISCE** shall have the power to cancel documents issued to a candidate i.e., *Pass Certificate Cum Statement of Marks / Statement of Marks / Supplementary Statement of Marks, etc.* which have been defaced or altered in any detail or manner / obtained by impersonation or by misrepresentation of facts or by fraudulent or dishonest means of any kind.

c) CHAPTER IV

A. General Arrangement

- 8. Entries for a Supplementary Examination: Candidates who have Qualified the Indian Certificate of Secondary Education Examination may subsequently enter in the following year of Examination, for one or more subjects. A candidate who appears for the Supplementary Examination will be issued a Supplementary Statement of Marks.
- 9. Examination Charges: The Examination charges will be notified separately. These charges are to be paid online by Schools. Payment has to be made at the time of confirming the entries of candidates for the Examination.

Charges for the Migration Certificates:

Additionally, for the candidates who Qualify the ICSE Examination and require the Migration Certificate, the same will be issued in favour of candidates concerned by CISCE on receipt of the charges online from the Head of the School.

d) CHAPTER V

IMPROVEMENT EXAMINATION

Candidates who wish to <u>improve their marks / grade in the same year of the Examination</u>, may take the <u>Improvement Examination</u>.

1. Eligibility to appear for the ICSE (Class X) Improvement Examination:

All candidates who appear for the ICSE Main Examination, are eligible to take the Improvement Examination conducted in the same year of Examination.

However, the candidates whose results in the Main Examination are declared as <u>ABSENT</u>, will not be eligible for the Improvement Examination.

2. Number of Subjects permitted:

The candidates will be permitted to appear in a maximum of <u>any two subjects</u> that they would have enrolled themselves for, in the given year of Examination, for the main Examination. It may please be noted that the candidates who choose to appear for a subject which has more than one paper, (e.g. English / Science / History Civics & Geography) then the candidates, will have the option to choose any one or more papers of the said subject.

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3. Papers to appear in:

The candidates appearing for a particular subject in the Improvement Examination are required to compulsorily appear for the **Theory Paper** of the subject.

Project work: For the ICSE Examination, the marks of the Project work of the subject, already awarded to the candidate in the main examination, will be carried forward. However, if the candidate was absent earlier during assessment of Project Work of the subject, then, the candidate, in addition to taking the Theory Examination, is also permitted to submit the Project Work, which should then be assessed, and marks awarded and submitted.

4. Registration of candidates for Improvement Examination:

Schools will be able to register the candidates, online, for the Improvement Examination, during the month of June / July in the given year of Examination.

- **5. Examination Charges:** * The examination charges for the Improvement Examination will be notified separately. The Examination charges are to be paid online by the Schools. The payment will have to be made at the time of submitting the entries of candidates.
- 6. Date of the Examination: CISCE will notify schools of the Examination schedule.

7. Tabulation

The **higher of the two marks obtained by the candidate** in a subject, in the two examinations (i.e., **the Main Examination and the Improvement Examination**) will be considered as the **final marks**.

8. Result Declaration: Schools will be notified of the date of declaration of the result. The result will generally be declared after a month from the date of the last examination taken.

9. Issue of Examination Result documents

The candidates whose overall results change from *Not Qualified to Qualified* must return the previous document in original, to CISCE through their school. On receipt of the same, the revised document will be sent to the candidates' school. Similarly, for the other candidates who appear for the Improvement Examination, on declaration of results, must return their previous Result document in original, to CISCE through their school. On receiving the same, the revised document will be sent to the candidates' school.

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10. Candidates with Not Qualified result at the Main Examination and Absent at the Improvement Examination: Those candidates who are not successful and are absent at the Improvement Examination will be required to re-appear in all the subjects for which they were registered for the main examination, which will be conducted in the following year of Examination.

The candidates with *Not Qualified* Result will be permitted to re-appear for the examination only once in the following year, but not thereafter, without further attendance at an affiliated and registered School.

e) CHAPTER VI

Discretionary power of the Chief Executive & Secretary

Notwithstanding anything contained elsewhere, including in the Regulations and / or Syllabuses and /or CISCE Rules for Affiliation, using sole and absolute discretion the Chief Executive and Secretary, in the interest of the candidates, shall have the power to cancel the Home Centre of any School and make alternative arrangements for the candidates of such a School to appear for their Examinations (ICSE/ISC) through any other affiliated School. The Chief Executive & Secretary will also have the power to issue admit cards directly to the candidates of such a School, whose Home Centre has been previously cancelled by the Chief Executive & Secretary in the interest of the candidates, through any other affiliated School and / or Convener appointed by the Chief Executive and Secretary and to further issue the Examination result documents to such candidates, through the Convener.

Important

It may please be noted that from the Examination Year 2025, the practice of issuing two documents, i.e. a <u>Statement of Marks</u> and a <u>Pass Certificate</u> to candidates who <u>Qualify</u> the examination has been discontinued. Instead, the candidates who <u>Qualify</u> the examination will be issued only one document titled <u>Pass Certificate Cum Statement of Marks.</u>

The candidates who appear for a Supplementary Examination will be issued only a <u>Statement of Marks</u>.

It may further be noted that the Result of the candidates will be declared as '<u>Qualified'</u> / '<u>Not Qualified'</u> as the case may be, instead of '<u>Pass Certificate Awarded'</u> / '<u>Pass Certificate Not Awarded'</u>.

This important notification regarding the amendments to the relevant clauses of the ICSE Year 2025 Examination Regulations is issued in suppression of and supersedes the ICSE Year 2025 Regulations and Syllabuses printed and circulated in January 2023.

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Chief Executive and Secretary