

Deafblind EC-12 (185)

Candidate Certification Testing Requirements

Updated September 2024



Important Dates to Remember

Fall 2024
Spring 2025
Summer 2025
Sept. 2, 2025

- Programs begin applying to offer certification
 - Prep Manual available
- Rep Exam/Interactive Practice Test available
 - Deafblind EC-12 (185) Exam Launch

Frequently Asked Questions

Answers

Exam Launch and Candidate Registration

When does this exam launch?	The new Deafblind EC-12 (185) exam is scheduled to launch September 2, 2025 . The exam framework can be found here .
Who should take the new Deafblind EC-12 (185) exam?	Candidates seeking a supplemental certification in Deafblind EC-12 should take the 185 Deafblind EC-12 exam. Note: the Deafblind EC-12 exam is not available for Certification by Exam.

Program Requirements

Is this a new certification area?	Yes. The Deafblind EC-12 (185) certificate represents a new certification area.
Will programs have to apply to offer the Deafblind EC-12 certification?	Yes. Programs seeking to offer the new Deafblind EC-12 certificate will need to submit an application for a new certification field. Programs must have an accreditation status of Accredited to apply, and there is a \$500 fee for this application. Please contact your Education Specialist for application materials and additional materials.

Exam Preparation and Resources

When will the Preparation Manual for this exam be available?	The preparation manual for Deafblind EC-12 (185) exam will be available Spring 2025 .
When will the Representative and Practice exams be available?	Both the representative and practice exams will be available Summer 2025 .
What can I expect during the introductory period?	There will not be an introductory period for this exam. All candidates must meet the minimum passing standard recommended by the committee. Standard-setting activities will conclude this Fall 2024. Following these activities, the passing standard can be found in the Commissioner's Rules Concerning Passing Standards for Educator Certification Examinations .

