Common Testing Accommodations updated Feb 2024

The following is a non-exhaustive list of testing accommodations that are commonly requested and may be available for SOA examinations.

PLEASE NOTE: Requesting an accommodation from the list below does not guarantee you will receive the accommodation. Each request for accommodation is reviewed on an individualized, case-by-case basis. The SOA's decision whether to grant the accommodation request will be determined based on the information included in the candidate's [Request for Accommodation Form](#) and the supporting documentation submitted with the request.

- Ability to pace (walk around)

- Alternate non-Scantron answer sheet

- Braille version of examination

- Extended testing time

- Large print version of examination

- Marking answer choices in the test book

- Permission to bring and eat food and beverages. (water ok since May 2023).

- Permission to bring injectable medication, including injectable insulin: Use of injectable medication is permitted where necessitated by a disability. Candidates are required to submit a [Request for Accommodation Form](#) so that a separate testing room or other suitable area may be provided where the candidate can administer the medication in private.

- Private testing room

- Reserved or assigned seating location (e.g., seating near the exam proctor or away from the windows to minimize glare)

- Use of a book stand

- Use of a magnification devices (e.g., magnification reading glasses, handheld video magnifier, closed circuit television (CCTV), Zoom Text)

- Use of a podium

- Use of a reader

- Use of an amanuensis (scribe)

- Screen-readable HTML test (including, where applicable, use of screen reader software)

- Use of computer and printer for written-answer examinations

- Use of magnification devices (e.g., magnification reading glasses, handheld video magnifier, closed circuit television (CCTV), Zoom Text)

- Voice recognition software (e.g., Dragon)

- Wheelchair accessibility: If a table is requested, specify the height. Please note that SOA examinations are administered in numerous testing locations, including locations outside the United States. Candidates are required to submit a Request for Accommodation Form so that the SOA can ensure appropriate accessibility is provided. No medical documentation is required.

As noted above, the foregoing list is a non-exhaustive list of the accommodations that may be provided.

If you have questions about other accommodations, please contact the SOA at accommodations@soa.org or +1-847-706-3505.