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[EXCERPT]

## REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION $^{\rm 1)}$

of 30 July 2025

## on the types of documents certifying language proficiency in the language of instruction at study programmes

Pursuant to Article 70(5f) of the Act of July 20, 2018 – Law on Higher Education and Science (Journal of Laws of 2024, item 1571, as amended<sup>2)</sup>) it is resolved as follows:

- § 1. 1. The Regulation specifies the types of documents certifying proficiency in Polish at a level not lower than B2 and the types of documents certifying proficiency in a foreign language at a level not lower than B2, which are the languages of instruction for studies in a specific field, level and profile, by a foreigner who is not an EU citizen within the meaning of Article 2(3) of the Act of July 14, 2006 on the entry into, residence in, and departure from the territory of the Republic of Poland of citizens of European Union member states and members of their families (Journal of Laws of 2024, items 633 and 1688, and of 2025, item 619), who is applying for admission to such studies.
  - 2. Types of documents certifying:
- 1) Polish language proficiency at a level not lower than B2 specified in Annex 1 to the Regulation;
- 2) foreign language proficiency at a level not lower than B2 specified in Annex 2 to the Regulation.
  - § 2. The Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication.

Minister of Science and Higher Education: M. Kulasek

The Minister of Science and Higher Education manages the government administration department responsible for higher education and science, pursuant to § 1(2) of the Regulation of the Prime Minister of January 20, 2025, on the detailed scope of activities of the Minister of Science and Higher Education (Journal of Laws, item 68).

Amendments to the consolidated text of the aforementioned Act were published in the Journal of Laws of 2024, items 1871 and 1897, and of 2025, items 619, 620, 621, and 622.

## TYPES OF DOCUMENTS CERTIFYING FOREIGN LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY AT A LEVEL NOT LOWER THAN B2

Documents certifying foreign language proficiency at a level not lower than B2 are:

- a certificate, diploma or other document certifying knowledge of a given foreign language in the four language skills: listening comprehension, reading, speaking, and writing, at the B2, C1, or C2 level of language proficiency, issued by the designated institution:
  - a) in English:
    - University of Cambridge, ESOL Examinations: -- B2 First (PCE), -- CI Advanced (CAE), -- C2 Proficiency (CPE). -- B2 Business Vantage (BEC Vantage), -- C1 Business Higher, -- Certificate in English for International Business and Trade (CEIBT), University of Cambridge, ESOL Examinations, British Council, IDP IELTS Australia: International English Language Testing System IELTS - minimum 5.5 pts, - Trinity College London: -- ESOL Skills for Life - Level 1 (B2) or higher, -- Integrated Skills in English (ISE) - ISE II or higher, -- ISE Digital - above 80 pts (B2). Educational Testing Service (ETS): -- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) in the Internet-Based Test (iBT) version - minimum 72 pts, -- Test of English for International Communication (TOEIC) - minimum: 785 pts in Listening & Reading and 150 pts in Speaking and 160 in Writing, - Pearson Assessment English: -- Pearson English International Certificate - paper and computer version (former Pearson Test of English General (PTE) or London Tests of English) - Level 3 (Edescel Certificate in ESOL International Level 1 - grades: Pass, Merit, Distinction) or higher,
    - LanguageCert (PeopleCert Qualifications (PCQ)):

-- English for Business Level 2 or higher,

LanguageCert International ESOL – LanguageCert Level 1 Certificate in ESOL International (Listening, Reading, Writing) (Communicator B2), also known as: LanguageCert International ESOL Communicator B2 Listening, Reading, Writing or higher, together with LanguageCert Level 1 Certificate in ESOL International (Speaking) (Communicator B2), also known as LanguageCert International ESOL Communicator B2 Speaking or higher,

--- Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic) in on-site and online version - minimum 59 pts.

- LanguageCert Academic LanguageCert Level 1 Certificate in ESOL International (Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking) (LanguageCert Academic B2) or higher,
- LanguageCert Test of English LanguageCert Level 1 Certificate in ESOL International (Listening, Reading, Writing, Speaking) (LanguageCert Test of English B2) or higher,

- Education Development International (EDI), London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Examinations

Board: London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Examinations (LCCI):

-- Foundation Certificate for Teachers of Business English (FTBE),

European Consortium for the Certificate of Attainment in Modern Languages - Level B2 (Vantage) or higher,
 tele GmbH, WBT Weiterbildungs-Testrysteme GmbH:
 Certificate in English,
 Certificate in English for Business Purposes,
 Certificate in English for Technical Purposes,
 tele English
 tele English Business,
 tele English Technical,
 tele English University,

- 2) a certificate of completion of a preparatory course for university studies, referred to in Article 60(4) of the Act of December 12, 2013, on foreigners, lasting no less than 9 months, certifying knowledge of a given foreign language in the four language skills: listening comprehension, reading, speaking, and writing, at the B2, C1 or C2 level of language proficiency;
- 3) a diploma of completion of first-cycle studies, second-cycle studies or uniform master's studies in philology in the field of a given foreign language or applied linguistics issued by a university operating within the higher education and science system of the Republic of Poland or a foreign university, together with a diploma supplement or certificate confirming that the number of hours of classes in that foreign language was at least 500; a certificate of completion of a preparatory course for undertaking studies, referred to in Article 60(4) of the Act of December 12, 2013 on foreigners, lasting not less than 9 months, certifying knowledge of the foreign language in the four language skills: listening comprehension, reading, speaking, and writing, at the B2, C1, or C2 level of language proficiency;
- 4) a diploma of completion of first-cycle studies, second-cycle studies or uniform master's studies issued by a university operating within the higher education and science system of the Republic of Poland or a foreign university, containing information about the language of instruction of the studies and - if the diploma of completion of studies does not contain such information – additionally, a diploma supplement or certificate containing information about the language of instruction of the studies;
- 5) International Baccalaureate Diploma in relation to the basic language;
- 6) European Baccalaureate Diploma in relation to the first (L1) or second (L2) language;
- 7) certificate of acquisition of the right to practice as a sworn translator of a given foreign language issued by the Minister of Justice, referred to in Article 5(2) of the Act of November 25, 2004, on the profession of sworn translator, or a certificate confirming entry on the list of sworn translators of a given foreign language.