



Exams 2020 - FAQs

As RAD Australia has revised the 2020 examinations schedule offering additional options delivering exams by video we've put together some frequently asked questions and answers to offer guidance and aid you in your planning.

Q: What if only some of my students are ready when it comes time to enter for exams?

A: Enter the ones that are ready in the scheduled exam sessions. Request video exams for those who need extra time to enable them to take exams outside of your regular exam session.

TIP: For those who aren't ready consider if a class award or solo performance award might be more appropriate at this time and suggest they might like to enter an exam at a later date. Class awards and solo performance awards should be entered within your scheduled exam session.

Q: If my students are ready to complete an exam by video, do I have to wait for my scheduled tour/session?

A: No you do not have to wait. Teachers are able to enter candidates outside of scheduled examination dates for video examinations. Please contact your tour organiser who will make arrangements and give you specific instructions based upon current government advice regarding social distancing. Please note as the Coronavirus situation evolves we may have to adjust and adapt protocols to ensure we are following the latest current government advice.

Q: I have submitted my entries and need to add more candidates– when is the latest I can submit them?

A: We will waive the deadline this year and accept late submissions for additional candidates to your entry 2 weeks before your schedule examinations. Please note that late fees still apply.

Q: Is it possible to do Solo Seal as a video exam?

A: If you have any Solo Seal candidates please contact your Regional Manager or Sydney Head Office to discuss options for these examinations.

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Q: If examinations need to be cancelled will there be a refund?

A: If an examination or session has had to be cancelled or rescheduled due to COVID-19 entry fees are eligible for a refund.

Q: If I have transferred my entry from an earlier cancelled session and change my mind will a refund be issued?

A: Yes.

Q: What if a student becomes ill before exams take place?

A: Throughout 2020 if a student is displaying symptoms of any kind of illness, in particular COVID-19 symptoms, or has a confirmed diagnosis of COVID-19, the student is advised to withdraw from the exam and will be entitled to a refund.

Q: Can my Vocational students be filmed in an AEC session?

A: Yes. Please contact your Tour Organiser for Guidelines, FAQs and Permission Forms and to identify a filming date.

Q: Can my vocational students be filmed in a RAV session?

A: No. If you would like to arrange a video exam please contact your Tour Organiser to discuss options.

Q: Do you have information and guidelines for Video Exams?

A: Yes, please contact your Tour Organiser who can provide you with all relevant information, guidelines and permission forms and work with you to arrange a filming date.

Q: What is the fee for a Video Exam?

A: As all Video Exams are considered with an AEC entry and session, the standard AEC fee applies.

Q: Will I still require a pianist for Vocational examinations within my own studio?

A: Yes but if you have issues securing a pianist please contact your Tour Organiser to discuss options.

Q: Is my student eligible for Special Consideration/Reasonable Adjustments due to COVID-19?

A: Our standard rules for Special Consideration/Reasonable Adjustments still apply at this time. Any updates to this policy specifically relating to COVID-19 will be communicated as necessary.

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Other questions at this time

Q: Does the RAD offer any guidance for teachers looking to teach classes online?

A: Yes we've put together some helpful links and things to consider which can be found online [here](#).

Q: Will exams in 2021 return to normal schedules?

A: At this stage we have every intention of resuming our normal exam schedule in 2021 however we will continue to monitor current government advice and advise Members of any changes as promptly as possible.

Q: Will video exams still be offered beyond the Coronavirus Pandemic?

A: Video exams are only currently being offered due to extenuating circumstances as a direct result of the Coronavirus Pandemic. As soon as it is safe and government restrictions on social distancing are lifted we will return to our standard mode of exam service delivery.

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