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DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE



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TO: All Interested Persons

FROM: Barry Wood, Assessment Division Director

SUBJECT: 2026 Level I & Level II Assessor-Appraiser Certification Examinations

DATE: January 27, 2026

The objective of the Level I and Level II examinations, in accordance with Ind. Code § 6-1.1-35.5-3, is to test individuals on job-related concepts that are representative of the substantive knowledge needed for effective performance as a county or township assessor or assessing official. The examination will test practical applications used in the performance of the duties associated with the office.

The examinations are open book and are open to anyone at no charge. However, in accordance with Ind. Code § 6-1.1-35.5-5, “a person who is successful on the level one examination may apply for and take the level two examination.” Therefore, you must take the examinations in order.

You must pre-register on the Department’s [website](#) no later than one (1) week prior to the examination. A minimum of five registrations must be received, or the examination may be canceled. Registrants will be notified by email if the examination is canceled.

Exam Location

Indianapolis

[Indiana Government Center South Conference Center](#)

402 W Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46204

Indianapolis, IN 46204

(317) 233-0166

Items to Bring

- A photo ID;
- A pen or pencil;
- Any printed materials and/or electronic devices (and their chargers) you plan to utilize; and
- A snack and/or drink.

Printed Materials

This is an open book test. **In a change from the previous policy, electronic devices such as laptops, cell phones, iPads, etc. will be allowed during the examinations.** Therefore, printing the materials listed below is your decision.

Exam Format and Grade

The examinations will consist of 50 multiple-choice questions and will run five consecutive hours. Each question is worth two points, and a passing grade is 70 points. **In a change from the previous policy, exams are no longer graded at the exam site.** Your exam score will be emailed to your preferred email address.

Questions on Exam Materials

The proctor for the examination will not answer questions regarding the Level I and II materials prior to or during the examination. Please contact Department staff prior to the examination day with any questions regarding the course materials at Level1@dlgf.in.gov or Level2@dlgf.in.gov.

Multiple Exams

A student may take both exams on the same day; however, prior approval must be given, and both exams must be completed within the five-hour time limit.

Special Accommodations

If you have a disability that will require special accommodation, the Department asks that you provide advance notification. Please contact Barry Wood, Assessment Division Director, at bwood@dlgf.in.gov regarding the specific accommodation requested.

For the Level I Examination

From the Department of Local Government Finance's ("Department") [website](#), you should download the following materials to study:

- Six (6) sections of the **2026 tutorial**:
 - 2026 Level I Cost Approach, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level I Income Approach, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level I Neighborhood Factor, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level I Personal Property
 - 2026 Level I Ratio Study and Ratio Study Examples
 - 2026 Level I Sales Comparison Approach, Problems, and Answers
- 2021 Real Property Assessment Guidelines – Book 1:
 - Table of Contents, Chapters 1 – 5, 2021 Appendixes A & B
 - **2025 Appendix C**
 - **2025 Location Cost Multipliers**
 - **2025 Location Cost Multipliers Difference**
- Glossary
- Sample Indiana Residential and Indiana Agriculture Property Record Cards
- Review Exam, Answers, and Calculation Explanations

For the Level II Examination

From the Department's [website](#), you should download the following materials to study:

- Six (6) sections of the **2026 tutorial**:
 - 2026 Level II Cost Approach, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level II Golf Course
 - 2026 Level II Income Approach, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level II Personal Property
 - 2026 Level II Ratio Study, Problems, and Answers
 - 2026 Level II Sales Comparison Approach, Problems, and Answers

- 2021 Real Property Assessment Guidelines – Book 2:
 - Chapters 6 - 9, 2021 Appendixes D – F
 - **2025 Appendix G**
 - **2025 Location Cost Multipliers**
 - **2025 Location Cost Multipliers Difference**

- Glossary

- Sample Commercial and Industrial Property Record Cards

- Review Exam, Answers, and Calculations