



INFORMATION SHEET

for examination centres

Technical and **spatial requirements** for conducting the ÖSD computer exams



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1. Power supply

Note that too many connected devices in a room can lead to an overload to the circuit under certain circumstances. It has to be determined in advance what the maximum possible is. An average circuit can typically deliver 2500 watts (with a fuse of 16 amps), which is equivalent to about 15 laptops running simultaneously (depending on the power of the devices).

We strongly recommend that you carefully check the power supply in the planned examination room to avoid major problems.

A corresponding number of **sockets** are also needed so that the participants can connect their computers.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

It has to be taken into account that other devices in the examination room may also be connected to the electrical circuit, for example an air conditioning system. This, of course, leads to fewer computers being able to be connected.

2. Room temperature

Due to the many computers, there can be an increase in the temperature in the exam room, so make sure you have the **possibility of cooling** if necessary.

3. Internet connection

The ÖSD computer exams run via an internet application, so an internet connection is necessary for the participants. The ZC1 exam lasts almost four hours. This means that the internet connection for the examinees must be **stable** (i.e. without interruptions) during this period. It must also be fast enough so that all participants can take their exams without connection problems. The application synchronizes the participants' performances regularly to avoid a data loss but this is a back up and should not be relied upon.

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Your internet should offer a download speed of at least 10 Mbps, with latency below 250 ms. You can take a speed test via this link <https://fast.com/de/>.

4. Reserve devices, the exam invigilator & the examiners

We recommend that examination centers prepare some laptops as a reserve should there be technical problems among participants and/or examiners.

The exam invigilator also needs a device. If the invigilator app is installed, a mobile phone or tablet is sufficient, but it can be done also via the administration dashboard in the ETP (e-testing platform = the web application for the ÖSD computer exams).

We recommend a tablet which makes the invigilation easier due to the bigger screen.

5. Separate examination room for the ÖSD computer exams

If you want to set up a room yourself and purchase equipment, then the same requirements apply to the computers as to the laptops of the participants, but you can also use desktop PCs for this room.

The distance between the workstations of the participants should be at least 1 meter.

We also recommend attaching a privacy screen like the one in the example picture.



Example of an ideal computer workstation