

WHAT ARE CAPLE EXAMS?

CAPLE exams constitute the Evaluation and Certification System of Portuguese as a Foreign Language, which certifies the general communicative competence of young and adult speakers for whom Portuguese is a foreign language.

CAPLE exams take place three times a year (i.e. in May, July and November). They certify the following six levels of communicative competence in Portuguese:

Level	Exam	Certificate/Diploma
A1	ACESSO	Certificado Acesso ao Português
A2	CIPLE	Certificado Inicial de Português Língua Estrangeira *
B1	DEPLE	Diploma Elementar de Português Língua Estrangeira *
B2	DIPL	Diploma Intermédio de Português Língua Estrangeira *
C1	DAPLE	Diploma Avançado de Português Língua Estrangeira
C2	DUPLE	Diploma Universitário de Português Língua Estrangeira

* There is a school version of each of these exams aimed at a younger public. Detailed information about the school versions of the exams should soon be made available by CAPLE on their webpage: <http://caple.lettras.ulisboa.pt> . The tuition fees and dates of the school versions of CIPLE, DEPLE and DIPL are the same as those for the non-school versions.

WHAT DOES EACH EXAM CERTIFY?

- ACESSO** It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a very limited range of everyday communicative situations and satisfying the most basic needs of communication in private, public and professional domains.
- CIPLE** It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a limited range of everyday communicative situations. In the professional and academic domains, the users are capable of interacting in situations that require a limited level of proficiency in Portuguese.
- DEPLE** It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a limited range of predictable everyday communicative situations in private, professional and educational contexts.
- DIPL** It certifies that the learner is capable of interacting in a number of everyday work and study communicative situations that require mostly a predictable use of the language. This level allows the speaker to work in contexts where Portuguese is the language of work. In the context where Portuguese is simultaneously the language of work and the language of communication the speaker may still experience many difficulties. A certified DIPL speaker may attend academic courses in contexts where Portuguese is the language of teaching.
- DAPLE** It certifies that the speaker is capable of interacting in a varied range of less predictable communicative situations in contexts where, for example, Portuguese is simultaneously the language of everyday communication, the language used at work and the language used in teaching. Some difficulties may still occur when the language is used idiomatically or contains

cultural references.

DUPLE

It certifies that the learner is capable of using the language in a creative and flexible way, adequately interacting in both predictable and unpredictable situations, namely in contexts where Portuguese is both the language of communication and the language used at work and education. The learner is capable of, for example, attending a university course in Portuguese or working in a country where Portuguese is the official language.

WHICH EXAMS CAN I APPLY FOR AT IPOR?

IPOR receives applications for all exams in any of the three international exam seasons: May, July and November.

HOW MUCH DOES EACH EXAM COST?

Exam		Cost
ACESSO	Certificado Acesso ao Português	40 EUR
CIPLE		
CIPLE - Escolar	Certificado Inicial de Português Língua Estrangeira	70 EUR
DEPLE		
DEPLE - Escolar	Diploma Elementar de Português Língua Estrangeira	90 EUR
DIPLE		
DIPLE - Escolar	Diploma Intermédio de Português Língua Estrangeira	110 EUR
DAPLE	Diploma Avançado de Português Língua Estrangeira	125 EUR
DUPLE	Diploma Universitário de Português Língua Estrangeira	140 EUR

WHEN CAN I APPLY AND WHEN DO THE EXAMS TAKE PLACE?

Season	Application deadline	Days of the exams					
		ACESSO A1	DUPLE C2	CIPLE A2	DAPLE C1	DIPLE B2	DEPLE B1
May (1601)	03-05-2016	May 24		May 25		May 26	
July (1602)	05-07-2015	July 26		July 27		July 28	
November (1603)	02-11-2015	Nov. 22		Nov. 23		Nov. 24	

AT WHAT TIME DOES EACH COMPONENT OF THE EXAM TAKE PLACE?

(ALL SEASONS – SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION)

EXAM	COMPONENT (the names are given in Portuguese)	SCHEDULE	DURATION
A1 - ACESSO	Compreensão da Leitura e Produção e Interação Escritas	15h30 – 16h10	40 mn
	Compreensão do Oral	16h20 – 16h45	25 mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	10 - 15 mn
A2 – CIPLE	Compreensão da Leitura e Produção e Interação Escritas	15h00 – 16h15	1h15 mn
	Compreensão do Oral	16h30 – 17h00	30 mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	10 – 15 mn
B1 – DEPLE	Compreensão da Leitura	10h00 – 10h30	30mn
	Produção e Interação Escritas	10h45 – 11h45	1h
	Compreensão do Oral	12h00 – 12h40	40mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	20mn
B2 – DIPLE	Compreensão da leitura	09h00 – 09h45	45mn
	Produção e Interação Escritas	10h00 – 11h15	1h15mn
	Competência Estrutural	11h45 – 12h30	45mn
	Compreensão do Oral	13h30 – 14h10	40mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	20mn
C1 – DAPLE	Compreensão da Leitura	09h00 – 10h00	1h
	Produção e Interação Escritas	10h15 – 11h45	1h30mn
	Competência Estrutural	12h00 – 13h00	1h
	Compreensão do Oral	14h30 – 15h10	40mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	20mn
C2 - DUPLE	Compreensão da leitura	09h00 – 10h15	1h15mn
	Produção e Interação Escritas	10h30 – 12h15	1h45mn
	Competência Estrutural	13h30 – 14h45	1h15mn
	Compreensão do Oral	15h00 – 15h40	40mn
	Produção e Interação Oraís	*	20mn

* Information on the room and schedule for this component of the exam will be advertised on the week before the exam.