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The Association de la Sommellerie Internationale (ASI - www.asi.info) has established the ASI 1 Certification exam with the aim of aligning the international knowledge and skills of sommeliers across ASI countries.

Art. 1 - Exam conditions

The ASI 1 Certification exam, prepared by the ASI EEC, can only be organized by national associations that are up to date with their membership fees.

The ASI 1 Certification is offered every year, with the dates/periods announced on the ASI website. It is mainly available in French, English and Spanish. It is also available in the language of the country under certain conditions.

Art. 2 – Participation

The exam is open to all sommeliers or aspiring sommeliers studying or working in the wine and food sector (restaurants, wine bars, wine merchants, distribution, etc.).

All applications must be validated by their national association that is a member of the ASI.

Art. 3 – Registration

Candidates must register through their national ASI association. A financial contribution to cover the costs of organizing the exam may be requested from the candidate (maximum £50).

Art. 4 - Conduct of the exam

The ASI Cert1 exam consists of a written test, supervised by the EEC. The exam is offered in paper format. It must always be conducted under supervision and in accordance with the strict rules provided by the EEC.

Candidates must use a pencil to mark the points corresponding to the correct answers on a separate sheet attached to the questionnaire. No answers should be written on the questionnaire itself.

Each answer sheet must be signed by the candidate.

Art. 5 - Assessment of the examination

The examination is marked exclusively by the ASI's EEC (Exams & Education Commission).

No papers will be corrected by the National Member Association.

The pass mark is 60%.

Art. 6 - Results

The results validated by the EEC are final and will be communicated directly to the President of the National Association. It is the responsibility of each National Member Association to announce the results to its candidates.

Candidates may take the ASI Cert.1 exam as many times as they wish.

Art. 7 - Certificates

National member associations will receive official ASI certificates in digital format that can be printed. The national association will be responsible for printing and issuing the paper certificates to successful candidates.

For those who wish to have an ASI Cert.1 pin, the EEC offers a paid option (please contact the national association for further information).

Art. 8 – Title

Candidates who have passed their ASI exams may use their title by mentioning it (ASI Cert.1) in their electronic signature or on their business card, confirmed by the use of the specific ASI Cert.1 logo (note: this is NOT the ASI institutional logo, which is strictly regulated and reserved for the exclusive use of the ASI Bureau, commissions and national associations). For use on candidates' professional websites, candidates must also specify the unique number of the certificate issued to them.

Art. 9 – Fraud

In the event of a leak by a candidate or a member national association, that candidate and/or association will no longer be authorized to take/organize ASI examinations. In addition, the ASI EEC may decide to hold an extraordinary meeting to deliberate on penalties and/or severe sanctions for any fraudulent acts or reprehensible behavior during the examination.