



RULES

Art. 1 - Examination requirements

The ASI delegates to the ASI national associations the right to organize the Certification 2 exam under the supervision of the Exams & Education Commission (EEC).

The ASI Certification 2 exam is offered each year during the October/November period in French, English and Spanish. Other languages may be offered where possible.

Art. 2 - Participation

The exam is open to professionals in the hotel and restaurant industry, students or those working in the world of food and wine (restaurants, wine bars, wine merchants, distribution, etc.), as defined by the OIV. The candidate's application must be validated by their national association that is a member of the ASI.

Art. 3 - Registration

Registration is only possible through a national association affiliated with the ASI (active member or applicant).

Art. 4 - Conduct of the exam

The assessment consists of a written exam with up to 70 questions to be answered within a limited time, covering a broad spectrum of general knowledge, and practical tests.

Different question formats, including cards, images/photos, open-ended questions, fill-in-the-blank questions and multiple-choice questions, will ensure a fair and comprehensive assessment of skills.

A blind tasting test of a classic international wine with a written description, the identification of 3 international spirits and a practical test including wine service (still or sparkling) and food/drink pairing in written and/or oral form.

Art. 5 - Assessment of the exam

The pass rate is 60%.

Candidates who choose to take the exam in a foreign language (English, French or Spanish) receive a 10% bonus.

The written part is assessed exclusively by the ASI's EEC, while the practical part is marked by a jury composed of two local judges and chaired by a member of the EEC.

Art. 6 - Results

The results validated by the EEC are final and communicated to the President of the national member association within one month of the exam. It is the responsibility of the national member association to inform the candidates.

Candidates may take the ASI Certification 2 exam as many times as they wish.

Art. 7 - Certificates

For candidates who pass the exam, the national member association will receive printable ASI Certification 2 certificates, numbered and signed by the directors of the EEC and the president of the ASI. And a pin ASI Cert.2.

Art. 8 – Title

Candidates who have passed their ASI exams may promote their title by mentioning it (ASI Cert.2) in their electronic signature or on their business card, confirmed by the use of the specific ASI Certification logo (NB: NOT the ASI institutional logo, which is strictly regulated and reserved for use by the ASI Office, commissions and national associations). For use on candidates' professional websites, candidates must also specify the unique number of the diploma/certificate awarded to them.

Art. 9 – Fraud

In the event of a leak of the exam by a candidate or a member national association, that candidate and/or association will no longer be authorized to take/organize ASI exams. In addition, the ASI EEC may decide to hold an extraordinary meeting to deliberate on severe penalties and sanctions (e.g. exclusion from all ASI activities) for any fraudulent act or reprehensible behavior during the examination.