



**EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL OF ZAMBIA
2025 JUNIOR SECONDARY EXTERNAL EXAMINATION TIME-TABLE**

SUPERVISORS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO ENSURE THAT THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS ARE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CANDIDATES UNDER EXAMINATION

Teachers are advised to ensure that their candidates are carefully drilled to carry out these instructions. Numbers 1.3, 1.4 and 1.11 below are frequently disregarded and candidates sometimes suffer a loss of marks in consequence.

1.0 IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- 1.1 Be seated in the examination room five minutes before the start of the Examination. No talking is allowed once you are in the examination room.
- 1.2 If an examination question paper for which you are not entered is handed to you, or if an examination question paper which is not being written in that session is given to you or questions indicate that a map or other form should also have been given out, inform the invigilator immediately.
- 1.3 Attend carefully to any general instructions that may be given at the head of a question paper (e.g., instructions limiting the number of questions that may be answered).
- 1.4 Write your Centre Number, and Candidate/Examination Number in the spaces provided **ON** and **IN** the Question Paper/Answer Sheet and on any other examination material you have used.

Write your details immediately after the examination commences and NOT before the start time.

- 1.5 Leave a margin at both right-hand and left-hand edges. Begin the answer to each separate part of a question on a fresh line
- 1.6 **Do not fold your Question Paper/Answer Sheet at any time.**
- 1.7 Write your answers in black or blue-black ink. Red ink must not be used. Fountain pens or ball-point pens may be used. Take note that the use of pale blue ball-point pens contributes to illegibility and that if your work cannot be read, you will be automatically penalised. Remember that handwriting and spelling will be taken into account during marking.
- 1.8 Bring mathematical and drawing instruments for papers which permit the use of such instruments into the examination room.
- 1.9 The use of Electronic Calculators is only allowed in **609/1 Business Studies**.
- 1.10 Take note that the use of Electronic Calculators in the examination room is limited **strictly** to non-programmable calculators. Pocket computers and any other supplementary material must in no circumstances be taken into the examination room.
NOTE: No additional time will be allowed for the failure of a Calculator in the examination room.
- 1.11 Read each question very carefully.
- 1.12 Do not spend too much time answering one question so as to leave yourself no time to answer others which you are able to answer. Much time may be wasted in writing down information that is not asked for, and no marks are given for it.

- 1.13 Check that you have written your Examination Number and Centre Number on the Question Paper/Answer Sheet before handing in to the invigilator.
- 1.14 If you arrive after 30 minutes from the starting time of an examination, you will not be allowed to enter into the examination room. Absolute punctuality is essential for all papers. Be warned that you are not allowed to leave the examination room 30 minutes before the end of the period allotted to the paper except by special permission of the Supervisor.
- 1.15 If you are a Candidates with Special Educational Needs (CSEN), you are eligible for 25 percent extra time of the duration of the examination paper.

2.0 CAUTION TO CANDIDATES AND TEACHERS BEFORE COMMENCEMENT OF THE EXAMINATION

- 2.1 The Head of the Examination Centre shall announce to the candidates at an assembly that examinations are about to start and caution them not to involve themselves in examination malpractices such as smuggling of unauthorized materials like exercise books, notes, text books, cellular phones, etc. in the examination room or to allow somebody else writing an examination on their behalf.
- 2.2 Where a candidate will be involved in examination malpractice, all results of such a candidate in all subjects will be nullified.
- 2.3 All unauthorised items such as exercise books, notes, text books and mobile phones should not be allowed in the examination room.
- 2.4 Where a teacher or some other person writes an examination on behalf of a candidate, the results of such a candidate will be nullified in all subjects. The teacher will face criminal prosecution as well as disciplinary action while any other person who may not be a Ministry of Education official will be reported to the police for criminal prosecution.
- 2.5 Teachers in examination classes should also actively sensitize candidates against examination malpractices and the ensuing penalties which include nullification of all results and being barred from writing examinations conducted by the Examinations Council of Zambia.
- 2.6 Candidates must not take any used or unused Answer Sheet/Question Paper out of the examination room. All rough work must be done on the official answer paper.
- 2.7 Disorderly conduct or causing disturbances in or near the Examination Room shall be treated as misconduct leading to disqualification and nullification of results in all the subjects.
- 2.8 Use of vulgar Language in or near the examination room or on the scripts will be treated as misconduct leading to disqualification and nullification of results in all the subjects.



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THE JUNIOR SECONDARY EXTERNAL EXAMINATION FOR 2025 WILL BE WRITTEN ON THE DATES SHOWN IN THE TIME-TABLE BELOW AND WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT OF EXAMINATIONS IN ZAMBIA

DATE	BEGIN AT 08:00 HRS	BEGIN AT 11:30 HRS	BEGIN AT 14:00 HRS
WEDNESDAY 23 rd JULY, 2025	GUIDELINES TO CANDIDATES AND INVIGILATORS		
THURSDAY 24 th JULY, 2025	101/2 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER II 1 HOUR 30 MINUTES	101/1 ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPER I 1 HOUR 20 MINUTES	305/1 FRENCH LANGUAGE PAPER I 307/1 CHINESE LANGUAGE PAPER I 1 HOUR 30 MINUTES
FRIDAY 25 th JULY, 2025	502/1 INTEGRATED SCIENCE PAPER I 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES	205/1 ART AND DESIGN PAPER I 1 HOUR	ZAMBIAN LANGUAGES PAPER I 301/1 - ICIBEMBA PAPER I 302/1 - CINYANJA PAPER I 303/1 - CHITONGA PAPER I 304/1 - SILOZI PAPER I 306/1 - KIIKAONDE PAPER I 307/1 - LUNDA PAPER I 308/1 - LUVALE PAPER I 2 HOURS
MONDAY 28 th JULY, 2025	401/1 MATHEMATICS PAPER I 2 HOURS		ZAMBIAN LANGUAGES PAPER II 301/2 - ICIBEMBA PAPER II 302/2 - CINYANJA PAPER II 303/2 - CHITONGA PAPER II 304/2 - SILOZI PAPER II 306/2 - KIIKAONDE PAPER II 307/2 - LUNDA PAPER II 308/2 - LUVALE PAPER II 2 HOURS
TUESDAY 29 th JULY, 2025	401/2 MATHEMATICS PAPER II 2 HOURS		204/1 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2 HOURS
WEDNESDAY 30 th JULY, 2025	207/1 SOCIAL STUDIES PAPER I 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES	208/1 MUSICAL ARTS EDUCATION PAPER I 2 HOURS	601/1 HOME ECONOMICS PAPER I 2 HOURS
THURSDAY 31 st JULY, 2025	609/1 BUSINESS STUDIES 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES	402/1 COMPUTER STUDIES PAPER I 1 HOUR 45 MINUTES	608/1 DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY PAPER I 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES
FRIDAY 1 st AUGUST, 2025	701/1 PHYSICAL EDUCATION PAPER I 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES	501/1 AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE PAPER I 2 HOURS 30 MINUTES	

NOTES:

1. Attendance registers: one copy of the marked attendance register must be enclosed in the package for answer scripts.
2. Seating plans: two copies of the seating plan must be made for each paper. One copy to be packed together with the answer scripts and the other copy to remain in school.
3. Scripts must be packed and sealed within the examination room in the presence of candidates and the bags endorsed by a candidate and an invigilator.
4. Examination supervisors' reports, endorsed by the Head of School/Centre must be submitted together with answer sheets in separate envelopes.
5. All examination sessions should start on time as indicated on the timetable. The School/Centre will be penalised for starting the examinations late or earlier than the stipulated time.