

## Anticipated FAQs on revision of RES Examination Syllabus

<b>Q1</b>	<b>Why is CEA revising the Real Estate Salesperson (RES) examination syllabus? What are the changes in the latest revision?</b>
<b>A1</b>	<p>CEA reviews the RES examination syllabus regularly to ensure that it continues to be relevant in equipping new RESs with the requisite knowledge to perform their roles and duties in the conduct of estate agency work effectively.</p> <p>For the new RES examination syllabus, the main changes are listed below:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Three new competency units (CUs) have been added:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. CU3.2 - Professional practice, ethics and conduct.</li><li>ii. CU3.4 – Prevention of Money Laundering, Proliferation Financing and Terrorism Financing (PMLPFTF) obligations.</li><li>iii. CU3.9 - Green buildings and leases.</li></ul></li><li>(b) The CU on Foreign Worker Housing has been removed.</li><li>(c) Four of the CU titles have been revised for clarity:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. CU1.6 - State Lands Act and Land Betterment Charge Act (Previously titled “State Lands Act”).</li><li>ii. CU2.4 - Property torts (Previously titled “Negligence”).</li><li>iii. CU3.13 - Marketing of conservation properties (Previously titled “Marketing of special properties”).</li><li>iv. CU4.5 - Leasing of residential private properties (Previously titled “Leasing of private properties”).</li></ul></li></ul> <p>Refer to CEA’s webpage for more <a href="#">details on the revised RES examination syllabus</a>.</p> <p>The revised RES examination syllabus will take effect from 1 January 2027.</p>
<b>Q2</b>	<b>When will the revised RES examination syllabus be implemented?</b>
<b>A2</b>	<p>The revised RES examination syllabus will be implemented for examinations from 1 January 2027 onwards. RES examinations held in 2025 and 2026 will still be based on the current RES examination syllabus.</p>
<b>Q3</b>	<b>Is there a change in the RES examination format and/or duration from 2027?</b>
<b>A3</b>	<p>There is no change in the RES examination format and duration. For more details, you may refer to Page 3 of the <a href="#">revised RES examination syllabus</a>.</p>
<b>Q4</b>	<b>When did CEA last revise the RES examination syllabus?</b>
<b>A4</b>	<p>The RES examination syllabus was last revised in January 2017.</p>
<b>Q5</b>	<b>I took/am currently taking the RES course based on the old RES examination syllabus. Do I have to retake the RES course?</b>

<b>A5</b>	<p>You do not need to retake the course if your RES examination date is within two years of the completion date of your RES course.</p> <p>Examinations from 1 January 2027 will cover the new topics under the new syllabus. Candidates who are planning to take or re-take the examination in 2027 should familiarise themselves with the topics that will be covered in each Paper under the new syllabus.</p>
<b>Q6</b>	<b>Do I have to complete an RES course to register for the RES examination?</b>
<b>A6</b>	Yes. To be eligible for the RES examination, you must obtain the Certificate of RES Course Completion. This Certificate is valid for two years from the course completion date. If you do not take the examination within this two-year period, you must retake and complete the RES course before you can register for the RES examination.
<b>Q7</b>	<b>Why do I have to complete the RES course before registering for the RES examination?</b>
<b>A7</b>	New RESs are required to complete structured training on the requirements of the profession to ensure they have the necessary and up-to-date knowledge to effectively perform the role of an RES.
<b>Q8</b>	<b>I have already completed the RES course. Do I have to take the bridging course offered by the Approved Course Providers before registering for the RES examination? Can I self-study instead of taking the bridging course for the revised syllabus?</b>
<b>A8</b>	<p>It is not mandatory to attend bridging courses offered by the Approved Course Providers for RES examination registration. You can self-study instead.</p> <p>For those re-taking the examination in 2027, you can choose to attend revision classes and/or bridging courses conducted by Approved Course Providers if you would like to familiarise yourself with the revised syllabus.</p>
<b>Q9</b>	<b>Can I register for the RES examination if I do not attend the bridging course?</b>
<b>A9</b>	Yes, it is not mandatory to attend the bridging course. If you have the Certificate of RES Course Completion, you are eligible to take the RES examination within two years from the completion date of your RES course.
<b>Q10</b>	<b>If I attend the bridging course, will my RES Course certificate validity be extended?</b>
<b>A10</b>	No, the RES Course certificate validity will not be extended by attending the bridging course. Beyond the two-year validity period, you must attend and complete the RES course again before you can register for the RES examination.
<b>Q11</b>	<b>I have already passed Paper 1/Paper 2 based on the current RES examination syllabus. Do I have to retake the paper which I have already passed?</b>
<b>A11</b>	You do not have to retake the paper which you have passed. If you have a valid modular pass <sup>^</sup> for either Paper 1 or Paper 2, you will only be required to retake the paper which you have failed within two years of the completion date of your RES course. From 2027, RES examinations will be based on the revised RES examination syllabus.

	<p>^A valid modular pass is a pass in either Paper 1 or Paper 2 within two years of the completion date of your RES course.</p>
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