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Scheduling or Rescheduling Your NCLEX Exam

We frequently receive questions regarding scheduling or rescheduling the NCLEX exam.

Once a candidate receives their Authorization to Test (ATT), they may schedule an appointment to take their examination. Test centers may fill up quickly because of high testing volumes and previously scheduled special events. Waiting to schedule a testing appointment may significantly limit the selection of dates from which a candidate can choose. A candidate must test within the validity dates of their ATT. If they cannot schedule an exam appointment within those dates, they will be required to pay for a new registration.

First-time test takers will be offered an appointment within 30 days to schedule, and repeat candidates will be offered an appointment within 45 days.

Examination appointments can be scheduled through the [NCLEX candidate website](#) or by calling [Pearson VUE NCLEX Candidate Services](#). Candidates may take the exam at any NCLEX approved testing center. If a candidate chooses to schedule their examination at an international test center, they will be charged an additional, non-refundable scheduling [fee](#).

If a candidate needs to reschedule their appointment, they must do so within 24 business hours of their scheduled exam time. They can do this either through the [NCLEX candidate website](#) or by calling [Pearson VUE NCLEX candidate services](#). For example:

- For examinations scheduled on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, a candidate must call or go online at least 24 hours prior to the day and time of their appointment, local standard time.
- For examinations scheduled on Saturday, Sunday or Monday, a candidate must call or go online no later than Friday at least 24 hours in advance of their appointment time, local standard time.

For more information on scheduling and rescheduling exam appointments, please check out the NCLEX [Candidate Bulletin](#).

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