

AMEB Qld Video Repertoire Examinations (VRE) and For Leisure (Repertoire) Examinations (VFLRE) – Frequently Asked Questions

What examinations can I undertake by video?

AMEB Qld offers recorded examinations in Repertoire and For Leisure Repertoire Syllabuses.

How do I enrol in a video examination?

Enrol in either session 74 or session 78 online at https://shop.ameb.gld.edu.au/shop/

When can I enrol in a video examination?

You can enrol in a video examination from 1 January. Video examinations take place in session 74 (May) and session 78 (October).

What are the requirements for VRE and VFLRE?

The requirements for VRE & VFLRE are the same as face-to-face Repertoire and For Leisure Repertoire exams. Please refer to the current *Manual of Syllabuses*.

Do I need Technical Work, Aural Tests, Sight-Reading or General Knowledge for a video exam?

No. A candidate plays repertoire pieces only (List pieces + own choice/s). Please refer to the *Manual of Syllabus* for full requirements.

How do I adequately prepare my candidate for a VRE or VFLRE?

An enroller should familiarise themselves with syllabus requirements, objectives and grading descriptors of the relevant syllabus to ensure they prepare a candidate correctly. Pieces requiring accompaniment must follow syllabus requirements for accompaniments.

What is the duration of Video Repertoire examinations?

VRE and VFLRE exam times are the same as face-to-face repertoire examinations and can be found in the current *Manual of Syllabuses*.

What is the cost for a VRE & VFLRE Examination?

The cost is the same as a face-to-face Repertoire or For Leisure Repertoire examination. Refer to the current <u>Enrollers' Handbook</u>.

Is there a 'how to' guide or instructions available on how to upload the video?

Detailed instructions on how to record and upload Video Repertoire and For Leisure (Repertoire) Examinations can be found here.

Can a candidate sit a P Plate examination as a video examination?

Yes.

Are the video examinations live?

No, the examination is to be recorded on a device and then uploaded to YouTube.

Does the examination have to be recorded in one sitting?

Yes. The video examination must be recorded in one continuous session. Submissions received in more than one take will not be assessed.

Can a video examination be recorded before submission day?

Yes, it is recommended the examination be recorded prior to submission date.

When do I receive the exam schedule and submission form?

Scheduling the exams occurs shortly after the close date. Enrollers will be emailed with directions to log into the AMEB Qld online shop to access exam information and the candidate's submission form. The submission form may be forwarded to the candidate to complete and submit before the due date.

Can I submit the candidate submission form and the video link before submission date?

Yes. It is recommended to upload the submission form before the examination date in case of technical difficulties. If you do have any difficulties, please contact AMEB Qld as soon as possible.

Can I supervise my child/student's examination?

Yes. We require that all supervisors are over 18. If a supervisor is not the parent/guardian of the candidate, we expect that they will hold a valid Queensland Working with Children and Young People Blue Card.

Do I need to show ID on the video?

No, you must not show ID in your video. Showing ID may cause YouTube to remove your link.

Do I need to show a date stamp on the video?

No, there is no requirement to show a date stamp.

Can my candidate use a page turner?

Yes. The candidate's supervisor is permitted turn pages.

Do candidate's need to provide a copy of any sheet music with the submission form for list pieces and/or own choice pieces?

There is NO requirement for a video examination to provide a copy of any sheet music with the submission form for list pieces and/or own choice pieces.

What happens if the examination recording is of poor quality?

It is the candidate's responsibility to check that the recording is successful prior to submission.

If the examiner is not able to adequately access the candidate due to poor recording, the examination will be marked 'Unable to Assess'. No resubmissions of video recordings will be accepted.

My child only has an electric keyboard at home, can they perform their exam on it?

Where possible, candidates are encouraged to use acoustic pianos for all examinations, however, candidates may use a digital piano for Preliminary to Grade 4 repertoire examinations, and all for grades in Piano for Leisure VRE.

If digital pianos are used, they must meet the following specifications:

- Keyboard size 88 notes
- Action weighted and touch sensitive
- Pedals fixed, and functioning as for acoustic pianos.

What are the guidelines around accompaniments?

If written with accompaniment, all pieces played during any AMEB exam must be accompanied including own choice. Almost all AMEB syllabuses have Recorded Accompaniments from Preliminary to Grade 3, and these can be used instead of an accompanist.

Can a vocalise be used as an Own Choice piece in Singing Repertoire exams?

No, vocalise is considered Technical Work and cannot be used as an Own Choice Work.

My candidate is preparing for a Singing for Leisure Video Repertoire Examination, are they required to memorise all songs?

Yes. All Singing for Leisure songs must be performed from memory.

Do Rockschool Video exams have separate guidelines for submission?

Yes. Refer to Rockschool Types of Exam page.