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TEST DI LINGUA ITALIANA PER IL PERMESSO DI SOGGIORNO CE PER SOGGIORNANTI DI LUNGO PERIODO (ex carta di soggiorno)

What is the Italian language test?

It is an examination to show that your knowledge of Italian is up to the A2 level of the Common European Framework. At A2 level you have to be capable of asking and replying to questions about yourself, your family, work situations, the city where you are living, going shopping, your needs, and so on.

The examination has three parts:

- listening, understanding and replying to questions about a short spoken text;
- reading, understanding and replying to questions about a short written text;
- writing a brief message, filling in a form, etc.

Who has to take the Italian language test?

Foreigners who wish to apply for a Permesso di soggiorno CE per soggiornanti di lungo periodo (ex carta di soggiorno). In order to apply for the Permesso di Soggiorno CE you have to have lived in Italy as a legal resident for at least five years and have a regular income and a home suitable for yourself and your family members.

Who does not have to take the Italian language test?

- children under the age of fourteen;
- persons who have serious difficulties in learning Italian due to their age, or because of a handicap or illness; such problems have to be vouched for by a medical certificate from an ASL;
- anyone who already has an examination certificate stating that he/she has attained the A2 level of knowledge of the Italian Language from the Università degli Studi di Roma Tre, the Università per Stranieri di Perugia, the Università per Stranieri di Siena, or the Società Dante Alighieri;
- anyone who has attended an Italian language course at a Centro Territoriale Permanente and has obtained a qualification certifying that he/she has attained the A2 level of knowledge of the Italian language;
- anyone who has passed the diploma examination at an Italian scuola media or scuola media superiore, or who is following an undergraduate, master or doctorate course at an Italian university;
- anyone employed as a manager, high-level expert, university professor, translator or interpreter, journalist or correspondent, and already has a residence permit for this activity.

N.B. You do not need to take the test if you are applying for an extension or duplicate of a Permesso di Soggiorno CE.

How do you apply to take the Italian language test?

You must apply (by Internet only) to the following web address: <http://testitaliano.interno.it>

Within 60 days the Prefettura will send you a letter saying **when** and **where** you can sit the test.



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