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## New Regulations concerning the Cambridge English: Advanced

To whom it may concern

The number of candidates wishing to use their Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE) qualification for purposes such as immigration and access to work and higher education continues to increase. Cambridge ESOL is committed to ensuring that Cambridge English: Advanced is recognised by organisations as one of the most valuable and secure English language qualifications available.

We are therefore writing to let you know that Cambridge ESOL has introduced a new regulation that will apply to all Cambridge English: Advanced candidates from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2011. Each candidate who takes Cambridge English: Advanced will be photographed on the day of the exam.

The photos taken on the day of the test, as well as results, will be available on the secure Online Results Verification website for use by organisations wishing to verify a result.

Candidates will be able to control who can access their results and view their photo.

When candidates register to take the exam, they will be asked to sign to give their consent for the photograph. If candidates are under 18, their parents will need to give consent.

The photos will be taken using special software provided by Cambridge ESOL, and at all times the files will be stored securely and will only be accessible by authorised centre staff using a login. For additional security, all files will be encrypted. Once the photos have been transferred to Cambridge ESOL's secure Online Results Verification site, all local copies of the encrypted files will be deleted.

This new regulation is one of the series of measures that have been introduced by Cambridge ESOL in order to further enhance the security and integrity of the Cambridge English: Advanced examination.

**IMPORTANT!! Please read these papers carefully. Ensure that you bring the signed papers with you to the Speaking exam.**

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