

## Trademark Knowledge Examination

### Test Specifications Summary

#### CONTENT DOMAIN

Areas The *Trademark Knowledge Examination* assesses the trademark-related knowledge concepts specified in the *College of Patent Agents and Trademark Agents Technical Competencies* document. The table below specifies the percentage of questions by area:

Knowledge area	% of marks
Foundational trademark knowledge <sup>1</sup>	50% (+/-5%)
Knowledge specific to registrability and strategy	15% (+/-5%)
Knowledge specific to prosecution	19% (+/-5%)
Knowledge specific to opposition and s. 45 proceedings	16% (+/-5%)

#### STRUCTURAL VARIABLES

Format and length Test-takers have 4 hours to complete the computer-administered examination. The examination uses a closed-book format. The examination consists of 135 independent multiple-choice items with 4 response options, of which up to 10% of items will be designated as non-scored experimental items.

Cognitive level	% of marks
Remembering or understanding	80% (+/-10%)
Application or analysis	20% (+/-10%)

*No items aim to test at the highest order cognitive levels of "evaluation or creation."*

#### CONTEXTUAL VARIABLES

Client context Trademark agents serve a range of diverse clients. The examination, to the extent that it refers to clients, aims to respect and represent the diversity of client contexts.

<sup>1</sup> Foundational trademark knowledge includes knowledge broadly applicable to multiple areas, including to registrability, strategy, prosecution, and opposition and s. 45 proceedings.

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Practice context	Trademark agents practise in a range of practice contexts. The examination, to the extent it must specify practice context for clarity, aims to respect and represent the diversity of such contexts.
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Domain context	Trademark agents practise in a range of areas. The examination does not require advance knowledge of any specific underlying technology, discipline, or industry. Such knowledge, if required, is provided.
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Note: This document is intended for general exam preparation.