

Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka

General Certificate of Education (Ordinary Level) Examination - 2026

All candidates for this examination should submit their application online only

Applications from private candidates for the above examination will be accepted from **03rd July 2026 to 23rd July 2026**. Each private candidate should read this notice completely and carefully before completing and submitting the application online. When completing the application, candidates should pay special attention to entering the selected **town, subjects and medium** correctly.

02. Applications

- 2.1 **After completing and submitting the application online, the candidates must keep a printed copy of the PDF document safely, as it may be required for future submission.** The printed copy should not be sent to the Department of Examinations.

Applying for this examination as a private candidate while studying in a government school is strictly prohibited. If any candidate commits this offence, his/her examination result will be invalidated and he/she may be debarred from sitting any future examinations.

- 2.2 Applications for this examination will not be accepted after 12.00 midnight on 23rd July 2026.

- 2.3. Each candidate should submit **only one application**. If more than one application is submitted, all applications submitted by that candidate will be rejected and legal action will be taken. If such fraudulent conduct is revealed even after the results have been issued, the results will be invalidated and legal action will be taken.

03. Technical instructions for logging into the system and completing the application.

- 3.1. Applications can be completed using either of the following methods.

- Visit the official website of the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka, <https://donets.lk> click "Exam Information Center" under "Our Services"

or

- Visit <https://onlineexams.gov.lk/eic>

- 3.2. First, enter your name, National Identity Card number and a Telephone number to register.

- 3.3. After entering the National Identity Card Number, you will receive a One-Time Password (OTP) by SMS. Use that OTP to log into the system.

- 3.4. Click the "Instructions" button for instructions. After reading the technical instructions and general instructions and after watching the instructional video, click the "Next" button to start completing the application.

- 3.5 To reduce errors in the name printed on the admission card, candidates should **enter their full name twice**, exactly as it appears in the birth certificate. If the two entries do not match, the name should be entered twice again from the beginning.

04. Payment of Examination fee and downloading the application

Examination fee can be made through a post office or by using a bank card (credit or debit card)

- 4.1. If payment is made through a post office, select "Pay by Department of Posts" under "Payment Method". **The Reference Number you receive must be given to the post office when paying the examination fee.**

The receipt issued by the Post Office should be kept safely.

The receipt should clearly mention "G.C.E. (O/L) Exam Fee 2026"

After the payment is successfully made, the application can be downloaded by visiting the website through the link sent to you by SMS.

- 4.2. If payment is made by credit/debit card, select "Pay by Credit/Debit Card" under "Payment Method"

4.3. Fees According to Number of Subjects

No. of subjects	1	2	3	4	5	6-9
Examination Fee (Rs.)	100/=	150/=	200/=	250/=	300/=	350/=

05. The subjects and town selected by you are very important. If there are not enough candidates to establish an examination center in a selected town, you will be directed to an examination center established in the nearest town.

06. After receiving the admission card, if there are any amendments to the name, subjects and the medium, candidates will be allowed to make such corrections online.

07. **Each private candidate should enter his/her permanent address. The name and address of the private or international school where the candidate is currently studying should not be entered. A private telephone number also should be entered.**

08. Verification of Identity

Candidates must prove their identity at the examination hall by producing the National Identity Card, a valid passport or a valid driving licence. The identity document must be produced for every question paper for which the candidate appears.

09. Candidates with **Special Needs** shall select "Yes" under the "Are you a special needs candidate?" section and complete the required information.

10. Special attention is drawn to the following :

- 10.1. Please note that the fee paid for this examination is non-refundable, either in full or in part and it cannot be transferred to any other examination.

- 10.2. **No candidate will be permitted, under any circumstances, to change the examination center after submitting the application. Therefore, candidates must ensure that they enter all information accurately.**

- 10.3. Candidates who apply for the subjects listed below under the Second Subject Category are required to appear for the practical test. Candidates who fail to fulfil this requirement will not be issued results for this examination, even if they have sat the written examination

(40) - Music (Oriental)

(41) - Music (Western)

(42) - Music (Carnatic)

(44) - Dancing (Indigenous)

(45) - Dancing (Baratha)

(50) - Drama and Theatre (Sinhala)

(51) - Drama and Theatre (Tamil)

(52) - Drama and Theatre (English)

If you require any further clarification, please contact us via the following telephone numbers or e-mail address given below.

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