Pearson Onscreen Platform (POP)

POP Offline Test Player installation guide

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This section will outline the minimum requirements to run the Pearson Onscreen Platform (POP) Offline Test player.

Please note that the software has been made to run on professional operating systems and we do not support Home edition of Windows.

Introduction

In order to successfully run tests, the Test Player software will need to be installed. The Test Player must be installed on each computer where learners will be sitting tests. It is the program that learners log into in order to sit a test.

Download Links

There are two installation packages available as described below:

1. Test Player ClickOnce. This is the installation package for installing the Pearson Onscreen Platform (POP) Offline Test player on a single Windows Desktop or Laptop by a user with full administration rights. Download Link: https://btecng. pearson.com/btecng/TestPlayer/Edi.Advance.Tdp.Client.application

2. Test Player MSI for network distribution. This is used by IT Departments to install the Test Player on multiple machines across a company network using scripts. Download link: https://btecng.pearson.com/btecng/setup/ pearson.pop.testplayer.msi

Minimum specifications

Test Player machine setup

Test Player PCs with:

• Pentium III with 900Mhz processor
• 1Gb RAM memory
• 100Mb storage capacity
• Minimum 1024 x 768 screen resolution
• 10/100 Mbps network interface adapter (for local mode only)
• Windows Media Player 11 (or above)
• Microsoft Visual C++ 2012
• Access to Internet (ADSL 1Mb minimum) via reliable ISP (if online mode) Windows XP or above
• Microsoft .Net 4.0 (Full or Extended version) or above

It is essential that all machines used are set to Greenwich Mean Time. This will synchronise with our servers and allow all machines to communicate with each other. You can use Time Protocol to make sure your systems are set up to the correct time.

Before running a test on the Test Player ensure that there are no background applications running. Test Players are designed to stop candidates from using other applications while the Test Player is active.

It is important that the (POP) Offline Test player is not used on a computer that has the POP LAN Exam Centre Service software installed. There could be conflicts between the two that could negatively effect the Offline Test Player.

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Installation

Test Player ClickOnce installation

STEP 1 - To start the installation process double click on the ClickOnce installation package downloaded from the link on page 4 of this guide.

STEP 2 - You will be asked if you are sure you want to run the software. Select Run to continue.

STEP 3 - The software will now check that your computer has met the minimum requirements on page 5 of this guide. If any of the other programs needed are missing you will be prompted to install them. You may be asked if you are sure you want to install this program. If you are select Install.

STEP 4 - The Offline Test Player will now be installed. The process may take a few minutes.

STEP 5 - You will then be notified the installation process has been completed. Select Finish to exit the installation wizard.

Next Step - You must contact your Account Specialist to arrange a demo test before conducting any tests with candidates. This is to ensure the setup has been successful and your candidates don't suffer any technical difficulties