

ORDER OF EXAMS

CIMA 2015 SYLLABUS AND ASSESSMENTS

Under the 2015 syllabus there are three exam levels:

- Operational
- Management
- Strategic

Each level consists of three objective tests and one case study exam.

Find out about the 2015 syllabus at:
www.cimaglobal.com/syllabus2015

You must pass (or be exempt from) all three objective tests at a level before you can move onto the case study exam.

When you have passed the case study exam you can move onto the next level and start the objective tests for that level.

The Strategic level case study exam is the last exam that you will take.

Find out more about the 2015 assessments at:
connect.cimaglobal.com/general-info/exams

RECOMMENDED ORDER OF THE OBJECTIVE TESTS

CIMA students have different qualifications, backgrounds, support systems and demands on their time, so it is difficult to recommend any particular approach, order or combination of exams for you to sit.

At each level you can take the three objective test exams in any order and at a time that is convenient to you. You may choose to study each subject individually and take the exam before you move onto the next subject. Or you may want to study two or three subjects at the same time and take the exams over a period of a week.

TAKING ONE SUBJECT AT A TIME

Advantages

Your study will be more focused

You can take the exam as soon as you are ready

Your time will be more manageable which may suit you if you have other commitments such as work and family

Disadvantages

You may need to refresh your knowledge before taking the case study exam

It may take longer to complete all three objective tests at each level

You may not see links between the syllabus subjects so clearly

TAKING THREE SUBJECTS TOGETHER

Advantages

It will help you keep an holistic and integrated view of the whole level

It is easier to see linkage between subjects

Your knowledge will be fresh when you move onto the case study exam

Disadvantages

There is a substantial amount of knowledge to cover

You will need to manage your study time carefully along with your other commitments

CASE STUDY EXAMS

It is a good idea to consider the dates of the case study exams when you are planning dates for completing your objective test exams.

There are four windows a year when you can sit the case study exams. Within each window exams will be available for five days from Tuesday to Saturday:

	Operational	Management/Gateway	Strategic
February/ March 2015	Tuesday 24 February to Saturday 28 February	Tuesday 3 March to Saturday 7 March	Tuesday 10 March to Saturday 14 March
May 2015	Tuesday 12 May to Saturday 16 May	Tuesday 19 May to Saturday 23 May	Tuesday 26 May to Saturday 30 May
August 2015	Tuesday 11 August to Saturday 15 August	Tuesday 18 August to Saturday 22 August	Tuesday 25 August to Saturday 29 August
November 2015	Tuesday 10 November to Saturday 14 November	Tuesday 17 November to Saturday 21 November	Tuesday 24 November to Saturday 28 November

Look at the 2015 exam timetable at connect.cimaglobal.com/exam-dates for dates of all the case study exams in 2015 along with entry closing and opening dates, results dates and availability of pre-seen material.

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