These may be useful to those candidates who need to refresh their skills in taking exams. It is important to realize, though, that the difficulty level of the practice exams may not represent that of the actual Certification exam.

Sample questions are available for most exams at www.iccsafe.org/exams; these items are similar to those used on the exams, but will never appear on any exam form. However, nothing can substitute for studying the code and on-the-job experience of code use and application. You must devote the time needed to understand the code and master the ability to apply it.

When can I test?

Computer-testing is administered frequently at over 250 sites across the nation. Paper-and-pencil examinations are administered on a limited basis. To get the most updated information, go to www.iccsafe.org/exams.

How often can I test?

There is no mandatory waiting period before retaking a failed exam. However, it is strongly recommended that you allow time to study the approved references before registering to test a second time.

When will I receive my results?

Electronic exams:

Results for examinations taken electronically are available immediately after completion of the examination.

For most certification categories, candidates will automatically receive a Code Council wallet card within seven to nine weeks after they pass the examination. Some categories have additional requirements prior to receiving the full certification. Wall certificates are available upon request.

Paper-and-pencil exams:

Results for examinations taken by paper-and-pencil are mailed within three to four weeks of the exam date. Pass results also will be posted to the Code Council website in approximately the same time frame.

I didn't receive my pass letter or wallet card. Can I have another mailed to me?

Yes, but the item must be requested within 90 days from the date of the passed examination to have another mailed without a fee. If a resend of a pass letter or wallet card is requested after 90 days from the exam, a fee will be charged. For fees and other optional services, go to www.iccsafe.org/inspector.

What type of question format will be included in the examination?

Test questions are in four-option, multiple-choice format, with one answer on each question scored as correct. Due to the rigorous psychometric processes used by the Code Council in exam development, questions do not follow patterns (e.g., "the most common answer is 'B'").