

# INTERNATIONAL FOREIGN LANGUAGE EXAMS EQUIVALENCIES DOCUMENT

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Taking into account the reports of the International Foreign Language Exams Equivalence Commission and the evaluations of the Foreign Language Exams Department, the Student Selection and Placement Center Board of Directors has taken the following decisions regarding the Equivalence of International Foreign Language Exams.

## KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS Equivalence

Public Personnel Foreign Language Proficiency Examination (KPDS), conducted by the Student Selection and Placement Center,

Interuniversity Board Foreign Language Exam (ÜDS), Foreign Language Proficiency Exam (YDS) and Electronic Foreign Language Proficiency Exam (e-YDS) are bidirectionally equivalent to each other.

## Equivalence of International Foreign Language Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

In order for any international foreign language exam to be accepted as equivalent to KPDS, ÜDS, YDS or e-YDS, the exam must first have international validity and the exams conducted by the institution preparing the exam only in the official language(s) of the country to which it is affiliated must be considered equivalent. It was decided to do so.

Scores of international foreign language exams whose equivalence has been accepted can be used for equivalence purposes for a period of 5 (five) years from the exam date specified in the document, unless a validity date is specified on the result document.

In accordance with article 6 of the Directive on Determining the Equivalence of International Foreign Language Exams, paragraph two (d), the exam sessions conducted in Turkey and subject to equivalence to state universities the results of the exams that are not conducted in the owned buildings and do not have information about the place and date of the exam in the result documents in accordance with paragraph (m) are not considered equivalent.

The international foreign language exams accepted in the international Foreign Language exam equivalencies document are one-way equivalent to KPDS, ÜDS, YDS or e-YDS. Foreign language exams other than those specified in the document cannot be evaluated according to this equivalency document.

In the result documents of exams that measure more than one skill that are equivalent, a separate subtest and scoring is given for each skill, but if there is no general score average, all subtests must be evaluated. The scores are averaged and evaluated according to the 'International Foreign Language Exams Equivalence Document'.

For exams taken within 30 days, starting from the day following the update date, provided that the applications are made before the update date, the current International Foreign Language Exam Equivalence Document is valid. This period of 30 days is also accepted for exams whose equivalence has been removed. In other cases, the International Foreign Language Exams Equivalence Document is applied as of the update date.

For exams for which the result documents were received before the last update date, if the date of the exam is written on the result document and the result document was received after the entry into force of Law No. 6114, it is valid as of the date of the exam. International Foreign Language Exam Equivalence Document is applied.

For the result documents received before 13/01/2012, when the Foreign Language Exam Equivalencies were first published by our institution, the Higher Education Council Equivalence Table in effect on the date of the relevant exam is applied.

Equivalence determination for the relevant exams is made as stated above and our Presidency does not issue any document that will replace the equivalence certificate; Relevant institutions/organizations take action in line with the International Foreign Language Exam Equivalence Document.

## Equivalence of English Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to Cambridge C2 Proficiency, Cambridge C1 Advanced, TOEFL iBT and PTE Academic exams, which are accepted as equivalent for English

They are given in Tables 1, 2, 3 and 4.

**Table 1. Cambridge C2 Proficiency Exam Equivalence**

Cambridge C2 Proficiency	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
A	100
B	90
C	80

**Table 2. Cambridge C1 Advanced Exam Equivalence**

Cambridge C1 Advanced	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
A	80
B	70
C	60

**Table 3. TOEFL IBT Exam Equivalence**

TOEFL IBT	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
120	100
114	95
108	90
102	85
96	80
90	75
84	70
78	65
72	60
66	55
60	50
54	45
48	40

**Table 4. PTE Academic Exam Equivalence**

PTE Academic	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
90	100
87	95
84	90
81	85
78	80
75	75
71	70
67	65
55	60
50	55
45	50
38	45
30	40

**Equivalence of German Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS**

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to TestDaF, DSD II, TELC Deutsch and Goethe Institut exams, which are accepted as equivalent for German, are given in Tables 5, 6, 7 and 8.

**Table 5. TestDaF Exam Equivalence**

TestDaF	Level	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
TDN	5	85
TDN	4	80
TDN	3	75

**Table 6. DSD II Exam Equivalence**

Deutsches Sprachdiplom (DSD) Stufe II	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
C1	80
B2	60

**Table 7. TELC Deutsch Exam Equivalence**

<b>TELC Deutsch</b>	<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
<b>C2</b>	
Sehr Gut	100
Gut	95
Befriedigend	90
Ausreichend	85
<b>C1</b>	<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
Sehr Gut	80
Gut	75
Befriedigend	70
Ausreichend	65
<b>B2</b>	<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
Sehr Gut	60
Gut	55
Befriedigend	50
Ausreichend	45

**Table 8. Goethe Institut Exam Equivalence**

<b>GOETHE INSTITUT</b>		<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
<b>Goethe-Zertifikat Großes Deutsches Sprach Diplom C2</b>	<b>Score Range</b>	
Sehr Gut	90-100	100
Gut	80-89	95
Befriedigend	70-79	90
Ausreichend	60-69	85
<b>Goethe-Zertifikat C1</b>	<b>Score Range</b>	<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
Sehr Gut	90-100	80
Gut	80-89	75
Befriedigend	70-79	70
Ausreichend	60-69	65
<b>Goethe-Zertifikat B2</b>	<b>Score Range</b>	<b>KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS</b>
Sehr Gut	90-100	60
Gut	80-89	55
Befriedigend	70-79	50
Ausreichend	60-69	45

### Equivalence of French Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to the DELF & DALF exam, which are accepted as equivalent for French, are given in Table 9.

**Table 9. DELF and DALF Exam Equivalence**

DELF & DALF	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
DALF C2	100
DALF C1	80
DELF B2	60

### Equivalence of Italian Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to the CELI exam, which is accepted as equivalent for Italian, are given in Table 10.

**Table 10. CELI Exam Equivalence**

CELI	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
CELI 5	100
CELI 4	80
CELI 3	60

### Equivalence of Spanish Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to the DELE exam, which is accepted as equivalent for Spanish, are given in Table 11.

**Table 11. DELE Exam Equivalence**

DELE	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS
Diploma de Español (DELE) Nivel C2	100
Diploma de Español (DELE) Nivel C1	80
Diploma de Español (DELE) Nivel B2	60

### Equivalence of Russian Exams to KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS

KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS scores, which are equivalent to the TORFL exam, which is accepted as equivalent for Russian, are given in Table 12.

**Table 12. TORFL Exam Equivalence**

TORFL	KPDS/ÜDS/YDS/e-YDS	
Level 4	93-100	100
	84-92	95
	75-83	90
	66-74	85
Level 3	93-100	80
	84-92	75
	75-83	70
	66-74	65
Level 2	93-100	60
	84-92	55
	75-83	50
	66-74	45