



**Open Book Examination Format
Certified Dangerous Goods Professional
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The transport of Dangerous Goods is governed by modal regulations published by committees of the United Nations as well as a network of national and multi-national Competent Authority regulations. Certified Dangerous Goods Professional (CDGP) candidates are professionals involved in the transport of goods and materials that have been categorized as regulated materials and have special packaging, communication, and transport requirements. The assessment of CDGP candidates will not be based on information recalled from memory but because of the potential hazards and the complexity of the regulations, candidates will demonstrate their ability to analyze the requirements for dangerous goods transport through their use of regulatory references.

CDGP exams are open book format, but not open Internet or open computer. Candidates will be allowed to bring the items detailed below, but these must be in printed format. No electronic devices are allowed such as computers, CD-ROM, USB flash drives, phones, calculators with programmable memory, cameras, etc. Candidates will not be able to access anything stored electronically on any computer other than the examination computer during the exam such as searchable PDF or Word documents.

Materials Permitted in Examination Room

The following reference materials⁽¹⁾ and aids may be brought into the examination room by the examinee for his or her personal use only:

1. UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods – Model Regulation
2. International Civil Aviation Organization’s Technical Instructions (ICAO TI)
3. International Maritime Organization’s Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG Code)
4. Dangerous Goods Regulations, International Air Transport Association (IATA)
5. Air International Regulations for Shippers of Dangerous Goods, A.I.R Shipper
6. Calculator with no user programmable memory capacity
7. Pencil or pen
8. Sticky notes and flags are permitted only when they are and remain attached to reference materials listed above.
9. Notepaper will be provided by the examination center. All notepaper shall be returned to the proctor at the completion of the exam

Materials Not Permitted in Examination Room

The following materials and aids may **NOT** be brought into the examination room by the examinee:

1. Devices or materials that might compromise the security of the examination or examination process.
2. Devices having a QWERTY keypad arrangement similar to a typewriter or keyboard such as palmtop, laptop, handheld, and desktop computers; calculators with user programmable memory; databanks; data collectors; and organizers, etc.
3. Communication devices such as pagers and cellular phones

The proctor has the right to examine all material brought into the examination site by the candidate both prior to the examination process and after completion. If the proctor finds evidence that examination material may have been compromised, the material will be confiscated and examination results will be withheld until the situation is resolved.

(1) Statement of CDGP Examination Development. – The CDGP Examination is developed by subject matter experts (SME) under the auspices of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management and processes that govern examination development. Materials 1 through 5 listed in *Materials Permitted in Examination Room* above, are references allowed into the examination room as approved open book reference materials. The examinee is advised the CDGP examination questions are solely based on references 1 through 3 as listed under “Materials Permitted in the Examination Room.”

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