



# IBLCE

**International Board of  
Lactation Consultant Examiners**

Asia Pacific *(serving Australia, Africa and the Asia Pacific)*

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## NEWS FLASH!

### 2010 Changes to the IBLCE Exam

Historically, the IBLCE certification exam has consisted of 200 multiple-choice items of which 75 were based on images. For the 2010 exam, the total number of exam items has been reduced to 175 multiple choice items. However, the number of image-based items has been increased from 75 to 100.



There are three reasons for these changes. First, IBLCE has determined that the exam could be reduced by 10-15% with no loss of validity, reliability, or rigor. The result is a more efficient, less fatiguing exam. Second, since image-based items are usually more clinical than text-only items, the exam will become more clinical. Third, since image-based items are usually shorter than text-based items, they are less dependent on language, and therefore translate into multiple languages more readily.

As the restructured exam will consist of fewer text-only items and fewer items overall, the amount of time given to take the exam will be shortened proportionately, from six hours to five hours. Although these modifications shorten the exam administration time, the scope of knowledge being tested will remain the same, as will the relative knowledge emphasis.



### Exam Day 2009

There were 4017 exam candidates this year who sat the IBLCE exam in 16 different languages worldwide.

The exam results will be posted in the mail and on the website on the **16th October**.

### What's new at IBLCE website?

There have been many changes on the IBLCE website why not go and see?

[www.iblce.edu.au](http://www.iblce.edu.au)

Are you due to recertify this year?



## Time is running out for you to recertify by CERPs for 2009

Your application needs to be submitted by the end of **October**. If you are having problems with your application or can't make this deadline please call the IBLCE office to discuss your options.

*You have worked hard to obtain your certification don't just let it lapse!*

## Exam Applications

All exam applications must be complete at time of application. This means that all exam applicants **MUST** meet the minimum requirements at time of application.

***No incomplete applications will be accepted***

**2010 exam applications will be available as of November 2009.**

**All information can be downloaded from the IBLCE website.**

## Pictures Wanted and Earn CERPs!

IBLCE are looking for good quality digital photos to be used in the exam. The pictures must be accompanied by a signed consent (by photographer and photo subject or next of kin) and will be exclusively used by IBLCE. In return, CERPs will be awarded for photographs approved for use. If you would like more information please go to <http://iblce.edu.au/itemwriting.php> or contact the IBLCE office at [rd@iblce.edu.au](mailto:rd@iblce.edu.au)

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Thank you to the IBCLCs who have donated to MILCC, your donation will support other IBCLC candidates.

The MILCC silent Auction in September raised \$2500 - thank you to all who made this event a success!

**IBLCE Board Meeting Executive Summary for September 2009**

is now online to review

[www.iblce.edu.au](http://www.iblce.edu.au)

## Commercial Sponsorship

### September 2009

IBLCE will no longer recognize Ameda as a long term CERP provider after December 31, 2009 and will not accept CERP applications from Ameda after September 30, 2009.

### June 2009

As of June 30, 2009, IBLCE will no longer accept CERP applications for education funded or sponsored by companies that manufacture or distribute products that fall within the scope of the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes.

For the purposes of IBCLC recertification, IBLCE will accept CERPs awarded to educational programs funded or sponsored by such companies provided that the education is completed by no later than December 31, 2009.

As of January 1, 2010, all such companies are prohibited from issuing CERP certificates to participants in their educational programs.

The above statements are to be read in line with the IBLCE Board of Directors' Statements on Commercial Sponsorship or Funding of Professional Education for IBCLCs. This can be found at the IBLCE website: [www.iblce.edu.au](http://www.iblce.edu.au)

If you need to ask any questions or have concerns about your certification please call me in the office.

Warm Regards,

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**Have you moved house lately?**

**Does IBLCE have your current contact details and email address?**

**If the answer is no please email the office and update your details**