

***Informational on the State Final Attestation
during Martial Law***

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The State Final Attestation (SFA) is a form of monitoring the compliance of the educational level of the general secondary education graduates with the set requirements.

Before the implementation of measures aimed at preventing the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-2019) and the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation to the territory of Ukraine, the SFA was mandatory. It could be conducted by individual schools or it could be combined with the External Independent Evaluation (EIE). The reasons for conducting the SFA in the mode other than the EIE, as well as the reasons for exemption from the SFA are determined by legislation.

Starting from 2020-2021, with the implementation of measures aimed at preventing the spread of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19), certain changes were made to the current legislation of Ukraine. In the 2019/2020 and 2020/2021 academic years, students who completed general secondary education were exempted from the SFA exams, but still had the right and opportunity to take the SFA (including in the mode of the EIE) at their own request. For further details please read: [Information on complete general secondary education qualification/level, and admission to higher education programs in Ukraine due to COVID-19](#).

Due to the military invasion to Ukraine in 2022–2023, for safety reasons under martial law, graduates of primary and basic secondary education in 2021/2022 and 2022/2023 academic years were exempted from taking the SFA exams by separate orders of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine. Also, the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine (parliament) by separate laws amended the Law of Ukraine On Complete General Secondary Education, exempting also the graduates of upper secondary level from the SFA exams during the above mentioned period.

Resources:

- 1) [Law of Ukraine On Education dated September 5, 2017 No. 2145-VIII](#)
- 2) [Law of Ukraine On Complete General Secondary Education dated January 16, 2020 No. 463-IX](#)
- 3) [Law of Ukraine On Higher Education](#)
- 4) [Law of Ukraine On Amendments to Certain Laws of Ukraine in the Field of Education dated March 24, 2022 No. 2157-IX](#)
- 5) [Law of Ukraine On Amendments to Certain Laws of Ukraine Regarding the State Final Attestation and Admission Campaign of 2023 dated February 23, 2023 No. 2925-IX](#)
- 6) [Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine dated February 28, 2022 No. 232 On Exemption from the State Final Attestation of Primary and Basic General Secondary Education Graduates in the 2021/2022 Academic Year](#)
- 7) [Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine dated 11.01.2023 No. 19 On Exemption from the State Final Attestation of Primary and Basic General Secondary Education Graduates in the /2023 Academic Year](#)
- 8) Ukrainian Center for Educational Quality Assessment: <https://testportal.gov.ua/>
- 9) ENIC Ukraine: <http://enic.in.ua/index.php/en/>