## **Condensed Overview of TCO Duties**

## For Sites Using Paper/pencil Tests

- 1. Order new FY ECL test materials
- 2. Check and Inventory received test materials
- 3. Sign the Packing List and send to DLI immediately, electronically or via mail with answer sheets, after receiving new shipment
- 4. On or after 1 October, fill in Certificate of Destruction (2 signatures) and destroy previous year's ECLs
  - (AF Form 1565 included in shipment)
- 5. Send to DLI, electronically or via mail with answer sheets, immediately after destroying old material
  - Certificate of Destruction
  - Previous year's Test Administration Log
- 6. Provide maximum physical security for the test materials
  - Store test materials in safe or metal file cabinet with bar-locking mechanism
  - Allow access only to TCO/ATCOs (no FSNs)
  - Maintain the required log-out/-in of all test materials
- 7. Prevent test overexposure or compromise
  - Use ECL to qualify ONLY candidates withinrange of CONUS training (max. 3 tested @ training slot)
    - Use ALCPT to screen those with unknown language capabilities
  - Administer ECL no more often than once every 2 weeks
    - Request a waiver from DLI to test more frequently
  - Keep an updated record of everyone tested to:
    - Prevent re-testing a candidate with the same ECL form
    - Confirm a qualifying score is attained within 105 days of US training
  - Wait **30 calendar days before retesting** a candidate who hasn't achieved qualifying score
    - Candidate must be enrolled in an intensive English language course during this time
  - Randomly rotate the ECL forms used, using each form once before using any form a 2<sup>nd</sup> time

- 8. Conduct tests according to Instruction 1025.15:
  - Check candidates' government photo ID(s)
  - Keep a record of everyone tested
  - TCO/ATCO must complete the header section of the answer sheet prior to the test session
  - On the answer sheet, fill in the test FORM (version) only after the test and with no students present
  - Provide additional proctors (US citizens who are government employees) to monitor large groups
     1 monitor for every 15 test candidates
    - Provide candidates with pencil, answer sheet with header prefilled, and unmarked ECL test booklet
  - Only photo ID brought into test room
  - No notes, electronic devices, no communication of any kind (gestures, strange postures, movements, sounds, etc.)
  - Score the test in secure area, no students or unauthorized personnel present
  - No marks on answer sheets, no photocopies made
- 9. Mail DLI all used answer sheets monthly
- 10. Immediately communicate to DLIELC the following:
  - Loss or compromise of a test form or used answer sheet
    - Immediately stop all testing with said materials
  - Need for a waiver to conduct additional test sessions
  - MFR with any change of TCO or ATCOs
  - Change of contact information (i.e. physical or email addresses)
- 11. Maintain all documents and records in a Continuity

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