

# **Aptitude test for the recognition of the professional qualification as tax consultant**

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Qualifying examination for recognition of professional qualification as a tax consultant

## **Competent Department**

- [Hanseatische Steuerberaterkammer Bremen](#)

## **Basic information**

The aptitude test is a special form of tax consultant examination for persons who wish to work as tax consultants in Germany on a business basis (i.e. independently) or use the title of "tax consultant" with a professional qualification which they have acquired in another European country or which has been recognized there. It is not possible to enter the profession in Germany solely on the basis of a completed domestic or foreign professional qualification (university degree or commercial training). In any case, a state examination (the tax consultant examination or the aptitude test) must be successfully completed beforehand. Admission to the aptitude test must be applied for in writing. The admission requirements are checked by the Hanseatic Chamber of Tax Consultants Bremen. An information sheet on the admission requirements is posted at <http://www.stbkammer-bremen.de/zulassung-befreiung-eignungspruefung-verbindliche-auskunft.html>.

## **Requirements**

- The application for admission to the qualifying examination must be made on an officially prescribed form and addressed to the Hanseatic Chamber of Tax Consultants Bremen if, at the time of application, the applicant is predominantly professionally active in Bremen or - if he does not exercise any activity - has his place of residence here or - if his place of residence is abroad - he intends to settle professionally in Bremen.

- The application form for admission to the qualifying examination is posted at <http://www.stbkammer-bremen.de/zulassung-befreiung-eignungspruefung-verbindliche-auskunft.html> and can be completed online. The documents can also be requested from the Hanseatic Chamber of Tax Consultants Bremen by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope (compact letter in DIN long format).

## Procedure

You fill out the application (online, if necessary), attach a recent passport photo and send it signed with all enclosed documents to the Hanseatische Steuerberaterkammer Bremen, Körperschaft des öffentlichen Rechts, Am Wall 192, 28195 Bremen.

## Legal bases

- [§ 37a Absatz 2 Steuerberatungsgesetz \(StBerG\)](#)

## More information

Further details about the examination procedure are posted on the website of the Hanseatic Chamber of Tax Consultants Bremen at <http://www.stbkammer-bremen.de/zulassung-befreiung-eignungspruefung-verbindliche-auskunft.html>.

## What deadlines must be paid attention to?

There is no application deadline for the application for admission to the proficiency test. However, applications for admission to the regular tax advisor examination are subject to a time limit and must be submitted to the responsible chamber of tax advisors by 30 April of the respective year.

## How long does it take to process

The applicant will receive a confirmation from the Chamber of Tax Advisors of receipt of the documents within one month of receipt of the application for admission to the qualifying examination. In the confirmation, the Chamber of Tax Consultants also states which documents may still be missing. After complete receipt of the documents, the Chamber of Tax Consultants will start the suitability test. It takes place regularly together with the regular tax consultant examination in October of each year.

## What are the costs?

200,00 EUR There is a fee of 200 euros for processing the application for admission to the qualifying examination.

1.000,00 EUR Furthermore 1000 Euro for the examination fee are due.