1. Examination Scheme

1.1: MODE OF EXAMINATION

NFAT 2025 will be conducted in Computer Based Test mode only.

1.2: MEDIUM OF QUESTION PAPERS

The medium of Question Paper for NFAT 2025 will be English.

1.3: STRUCTURE OF QUESTION PAPERS

Programme wise Question Paper Structure is given in the Programme Details available in the Admission Section of the University Website.

1.4: MARKING SCHEME

- I. Each question carries 01 (One) marks
- II. For each correct response, candidate will get 01 (One) marks.
- III. For each incorrect response, 0.25 (one fourth) mark will be deducted from the total score.
- IV. Un-answered/un-attempted response will be given no marks.
- V. To answer a question, the candidate needs to choose one option as correct option.

1.5: Syllabus of NFAT - 2025:

The details syllabus of each Programme is given in the Programme Details available in the Admission Section of the University Website

2. EXAMINATION CENTER CITIES

The Cities where the NFAT – 2025 will be conducted are given below. While applying, candidates selected **three cities** of their choice in preferential order.

Agartala	Ahmedabad	Bangalore	Bhopal	Bhubaneswar
Chandigarh	Chennai	Delhi	Dharwad	Gandhinagar
Chandigarn	Chennal	Denn		Ganunnagai
Goa	Guwahati	Hyderabad	Jaipur	Jammu
Kolkata	Lucknow	Mumbai	Nagpur	Patna
Pune	Raipur	Ranchi	Trivandrum	

2.1: List of the EXAMINATION CENTER CITIES

Note: Exam Centres are tentative, and University reserves a right to change / modify / update the center at any point of time.

Efforts will be undertaken to allocate examination cities to candidates based on their preferences indicated in the online Application Form. However, due to administrative or logistical constraints, a different city may be assigned.

In cases where the number of candidates from a particular city is insufficient, the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) reserves the right to merge cities for examination purposes. The decision of the NFSU regarding the allotment of examination cities or centres shall be deemed final and binding. No further correspondence or requests concerning city allotment will be entertained.

The allocation of test centres will primarily be made in one of the preferred cities indicated by the candidates, and the process will be executed without any human intervention.

3. ADMIT CARD

3.1: Admit Card

The Admit Card will be issued provisionally to candidates through the NFSU website: <u>https://nfsu.ac.in/admission</u>, subject to the fulfilment of eligibility criteria and receipt of the prescribed application fee by NFSU.

Candidates must download the Admit Card from the NFSU website and appear for the examination at the designated Centre, date, and shift/timing as specified on their Admit Card. No separate communication regarding the release of the Admit Card will be sent via email or other means.

Candidates will **not** be permitted to appear at any examination Centre, on any date or shift/time, other than that allocated to them as per their Admit Card. No re-examination will be conducted under any circumstances.

Candidates are **strongly advised** to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and adhere strictly to them during the examination.

The schedule for downloading the Admit Card will be announced on the NFSU website: <u>https://nfsu.ac.in/admission</u>.

Note:

- a. Admit Cards will **not** be sent by post or email.
- b. Duplicate Admit Cards for **NFAT 2025** will **not** be issued at the Examination Centres under any circumstances.
- c. Candidates must **not** mutilate the Admit Card or alter any information printed on it.
- d. Candidates are advised to **preserve** their Admit Cards in good condition for future reference.
- e. No Admit Card will be issued to candidates whose applications are found to be **incomplete** for any reason (including unclear/doubtful photographs or unsigned applications) or who do **not** meet the eligibility criteria.
- f. The issuance of Admit Cards does **not** imply acceptance of eligibility, which will be further verified at subsequent stages of the admission process.
- g. If a candidate's name has been changed due to events such as marriage, they must present the relevant document (such as a Marriage Certificate, Divorce Decree, or Legal Name Change Document) at the time of the examination.

4. Instructions for Candidates Appearing for the NFAT – 2025

4.1: Instructions:

1. Reporting at the Test Centre

Candidates are advised to report to the Test Centre well in advance, as per the instructions mentioned in the Admit Card. Candidates arriving **after the gate closing time** will **not** be permitted to enter the Test Centre.

2. Seating in the Test Hall

Candidates should take their seats immediately upon the opening of the Test Hall. Late arrival due to reasons such as traffic congestion, train or bus delays may result in candidates missing important instructions announced in the Test Rooms/Halls. **NFSU shall not be responsible** for any such delays.

3. Verification of Admit Card

Candidates must present the Admit Card, downloaded and printed from the NFSU website, upon request for admission into the Test Room/Hall. The Test Centre staff is authorized to verify the identity of candidates and may take necessary steps to authenticate their credentials. Candidates are required to extend full cooperation.

Candidates without a valid Admit Card and an authorized Photo ID will not be permitted to take the test under any circumstances.

4. Allotment of Seats

Each candidate will be assigned a seat with an indicated **Roll Number**. Candidates must locate and occupy only their designated seats. Unauthorized changes of seats may result in the **cancellation of candidature** without any appeal.

5. Verification of Question Paper

Candidates must ensure that the Question Paper displayed on the computer corresponds to their chosen Programme as indicated on the Admit Card. Any discrepancies should be immediately reported to the Invigilator.

6. Multiple Appearances

Candidates found furnishing **false information** to appear in more than one shift/date will have their **candidature cancelled**, and their results will not be declared.

7. Absence on the Scheduled Date

No re-examination will be conducted for candidates unable to appear on the scheduled test date for any reason.

8. Prohibited Materials

Candidates must not possess any material deemed **prohibited** during the examination.

9. Baggage Restrictions

Baggage is not allowed inside the Test Centre. NFSU shall not be responsible for any lost or stolen belongings.

10. Late Entry Policy

Late entry to the Test Centre is strictly **prohibited**. Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the location of the Test Centre and plan their travel time accordingly. **NFSU shall not be responsible** for any delays.

11. Biometric Verification

Biometric information of all candidates will be captured. Identity checks will be conducted to prevent unauthorized candidates from appearing for the test. Candidates are expected to cooperate with security personnel during security checks and frisking.

12. Attendance Sheet Requirements

Candidates must **sign** on the Attendance Sheet at the designated place.

13. Exit from Test Room/Hall

No candidate shall leave their seat or the Test Room/Hall **before the test duration concludes** without special permission from the Centre Superintendent or the Invigilator. Compliance with all instructions from the Centre Superintendent/Invigilators is **mandatory**.

14. Entry Restrictions for Accompanying Persons

Only registered candidates are allowed inside the Test Centre premises. **Friends or relatives** accompanying candidates will **not** be permitted entry under any circumstances.

15. Rough Work Procedures

Each candidate will be provided with a sheet of paper for **rough work**. Candidates must write their **Roll Number and Name** on the Rough Sheets and **submit them** in the designated drop box after the test. Rough work is **not permitted** on any other material.

16. Conduct and Disciplinary Measures

Candidates must adhere to the **Rules and Regulations** of NFSU regarding conduct in the Test Hall. Any cases of **unfair means** will be dealt with as per NFSU's regulations.

17. Submission of False Information

Applications containing **false or fabricated information** will be **rejected**, and such candidates will be **debarred** from future NFSU examinations.

18. Revocation of Permission

NFSU reserves the right to **withdraw permission** inadvertently granted to any candidate found **ineligible** for NFAT – 2025, even if an Admit Card was issued.

Important Note:

- **Candidates must appear at their own cost** at the Test Centre on the Date, Subject, and Timing as indicated in the Admit Card.
- **Under no circumstances** will requests for changes in the choice of cities for the Centre or test timing, as provided in the Admit Card, be entertained.

4.2: Documents Required on the Day of the Test:

Candidates **must bring** the following documents to the Test Centre. **Failure to do so will result in disqualification** from appearing in the test:

- a. **Print copy of the Admit Card** downloaded from the NFSU website, duly filled in, on **A4 size paper**.
- b. **Two passport-size photograph** (same as the one uploaded on the Online Application Form) to be affixed in the designated space on the Admit Card.
- c. Any one of the following original, valid, and non-expired Photo IDs:
 - PAN Card
 - Driving License
 - Voter ID
 - Passport
 - Aadhaar Card (with photograph)
 - Ration Card (with photograph)

d. PwBD Certificate issued by an authorized medical officer, if applicable, or a PwBD Certificate as per Annexures given in the Information Bulletin, if claiming relaxation under the PwBD category.
e. A simple transparent Ball Point Pen.

4.3: Rough Work:

• All calculations or writing work must be done only on the Rough Sheets provided at the Test Centre.

- After completion of the test, candidates must **hand over** the Rough Sheets to the Invigilator on duty.
- No other paper or sheet is allowed inside the Test Room/Hall for rough work.

4.4: UNFAIR MEANS PRACTICES AND VIOLATION OF EXAMINATION RULES

DEFINITION OF UNFAIR MEANS PRACTICES

Unfair Means Practices refer to any actions that provide a candidate with an **unjust advantage** over others. Such practices include, but are not limited to, the following:

a) **Possession of Prohibited Items:**

Being in possession of any **item or article** that is **prohibited** or can be used for unfair practices, including stationery items, communication devices, accessories, eatables, ornaments, or any other material, whether **relevant or irrelevant** to the examination.

b) Impersonation:

Engaging or attempting to engage **another person** to write the examination on one's behalf or **preparing material for copying**.

c) Violation of Examination Rules:

Breaching any examination rules or instructions issued by NFSU in connection with the **NFAT-2025** examination.

d) Assisting in Malpractices:

Assisting or attempting to assist other candidates in malpractices, or giving or receiving assistance of any kind, directly or indirectly.

e) Unauthorized Communication:

Contacting or attempting to contact any person other than the Examination Staff during the examination.

f) Threatening Examination Officials:

Threatening or attempting to threaten any officials involved in the conduct of the examination or other candidates.

g) Use of Undesirable Methods:

Employing or attempting to employ any undesirable methods or means in connection with the examination.

h) **Document Manipulation:**

Manipulation or fabrication of online documents such as the Admit Card, Rank Letter, Self-Declaration, etc.

i) Unauthorized Entry or Exit:

Forcefully entering or exiting the Examination Centre or Hall.

j) Use of Electronic Devices:

Using or attempting to use any **electronic device** after entering the Examination Centre.

k) Misrepresentation in Documents:

Affixing or uploading incorrect or **morphed photographs/signatures** on the Application Form, Admit Card, or Proforma.

I) Obstructing Examination Conduct:

Creating obstacles in the smooth and fair conduct of the examination.

m) Other Malpractices:

Engaging in any other malpractice declared as Unfair Means by NFSU.

n) False Declarations:

Falsely declaring one's category to avail benefits such as reservation, compensatory time, or fee relaxation.

4.5: PENALTIES FOR UNFAIR MEANS PRACTICES

If a candidate is found guilty of engaging in any of the aforementioned or similar practices **before**, **during**, **or after** the examination, they shall be deemed to have used **Unfair Means (U.F.M.)** and will be subject to the following penalties:

1. Debarment:

The candidate may be **debarred for 3 years** from appearing in future examinations conducted by NFSU.

2. Legal

Action:

The candidate may be subjected to **criminal prosecution** and/or any other actions as deemed appropriate by NFSU.

4.6: CANCELLATION OF RESULTS

- The results of candidates **found guilty** of using **Unfair Means Practices** during the **NFAT-2025** examination shall be **cancelled** and **not declared**.
- Additionally, the results of candidates who:
 - **Appear from a Centre other than** the one allotted to them.
 - **Allow another person** to appear for the examination on their behalf.
- In such cases, **no appeals or pleas** for reconsideration will be entertained.

5. DISPLAY OF ANSWER KEY FOR CHALLENGE

5.1: Instructions

- The National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) will publish the Provisional Answer Key for the examination questions on its official website: <u>https://nfsu.ac.in/admission</u>. A Public Notice to this effect will also be issued on the same website. This will provide an opportunity for candidates to challenge the Provisional Answer Keys by making a nonrefundable online payment of ₹200/- plus applicable taxes per question challenged as processing charges. The Provisional Answer Keys are expected to be displayed for a period of two to three days.
- 2. Only **paid challenges** submitted within the **stipulated time frame** through the **official key challenge link** will be considered. **Challenges submitted without proper justification/evidence** or those filed through any medium **other than the prescribed link** will **not be entertained**.
- 3. The decision of **NFSU** regarding the challenges shall be **final**, and **no further communication** will be entertained in this regard. NFSU will **not inform candidates individually** about the outcome of the challenges.
- 4. The **subject experts** will thoroughly **examine all the challenges** received, following which a **Final Answer Key** will be published.
- 5. The **result** will be compiled based on the **Final Answer Key**. No grievances concerning the answer key(s) will be entertained after the declaration of the NFAT-2025 result.

5.2: DISPLAY OF RECORDED RESPONSES

The **NFSU** will publish the **recorded responses** of candidates along with the **Question Paper** attempted on the NFSU website: <u>https://nfsu.ac.in/admission</u>, **prior to the declaration** of the **result/NFAT Score**. The recorded responses are likely to be available for a period of **two to three days**.

6. NFAT 2025 SCORE FOR ADMISSIONS

6.1: NFAT 2025 SCORE

The NFAT - 2025 would be valid for admission to the Academic Year 2025-26 only.

Evaluation of multiple-choice questions of all the Test Papers will be carried out using final answerkeys and the raw (actual) marks obtained by a candidate will be considered further for computation of the result of NFAT- 2025.

6.2: RE-EVALUATION / RE-CHECKING OF RESULT

The result for NFAT - 2025 will be processed based on Final Answer Keys verified by the experts after the challenges. No grievance with regard to Final Answer Key(s) after Declaration of Result of NFAT - 2025 will be entertained.

There shall be **no re-evaluation/re-checking** of the result. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

No Score Card will be dispatched to the candidates and the candidates are advised to download their Score Cards for NFAT - 2025 from the website: https://nfsu.ac.in/admission

Note:

Merely appearing in NFAT - 2025 does not confer any right to the candidate for admission to the NFSU.

The selection and admission would be subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility, rank in merit list, medical fitness, verification of original documents and such other criteria as may be prescribed by the NFSU, the candidate is applying for it.

Admissions are handled at the level of the Schools for their respective programs. After the declaration of the NFAT - 2025 result, the respective Schools will declare the counselling/ admission schedule and merit list based on the NFAT - 2025 score and the other criteria of the NFSU.

7. MISCELLANEOUS

7.1: LEGAL JURISDICTION

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of NFAT - 2025 Examination including Results shall fall within the jurisdiction of Gandhinagar, Gujarat only.