OnVUE: system test required

Analysis has shown that candidates who pass a system test before their exam are more likely to succeed than those who do not. That is why we now require candidates to have a passing OnVUE system test result on record before admitting them for an exam.

With system test enhancements made in the past few years, candidates have an earlier opportunity to identify potential technical issues in the process that would interfere with their ability to test. This includes issues that would previously have been found only during check-in or during the testing session, such as secure browser violations and video-streaming issues

How does a required system test work?

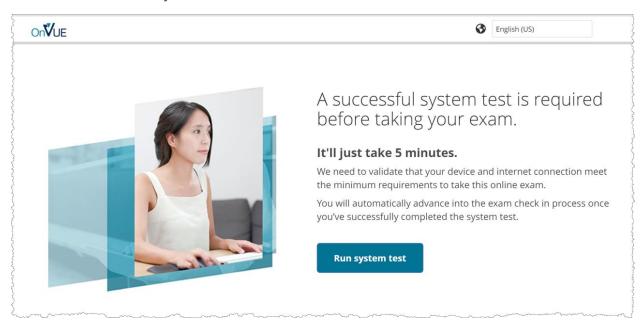
We track system-test results for candidates when they take the system test from the link in their registration or rescheduling confirmation email or on the registration website. Those links have the specific candidate's registration ID embedded in them, so we can associate their system test results with their records. (Candidates using an anonymous system test link will be warned that the system test is off the record and will not count toward the requirement.)

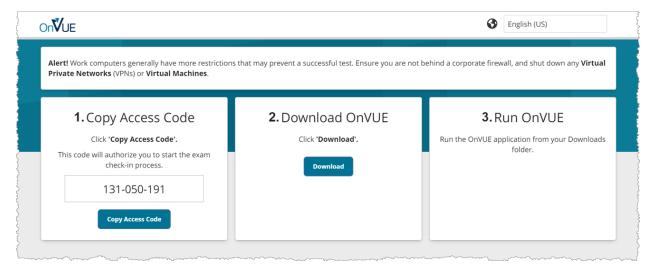
Any candidate who has a successful system test on record can proceed directly to check-in on exam day. Candidates who don't have a successful system test on record will be forced to take a same-day system test before starting the check-in process.

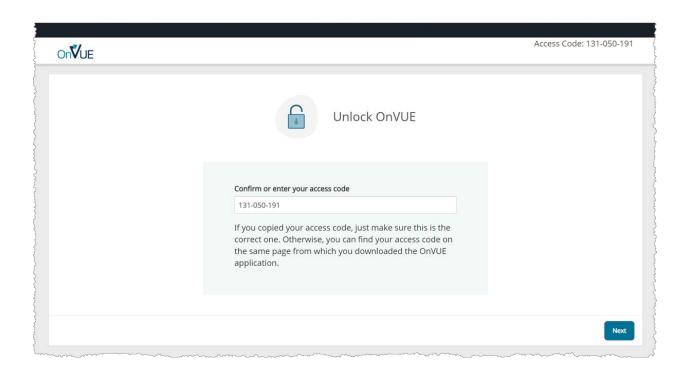
If these candidates pass the same-day system test, they will proceed to check-in to take photos of their face and ID and ultimately connect with a greeter to release their exam. If they fail any part of the test, we provide them with troubleshooting information to help resolve their issues and they can try again.

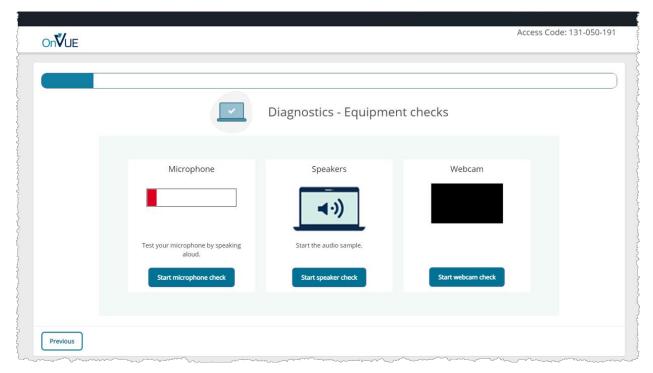


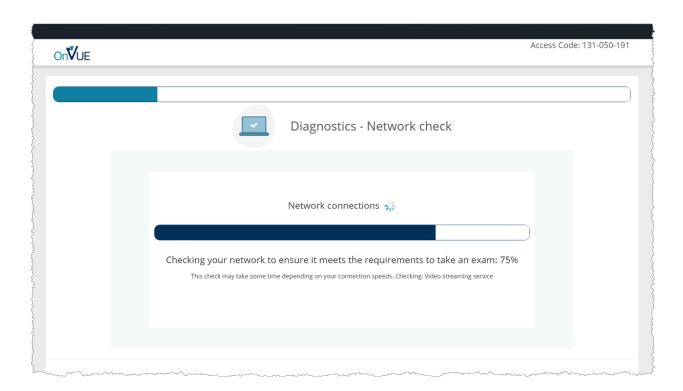
Here's how the same-day system test flow looks during exam check-in for a candidate without a successful system test on record.

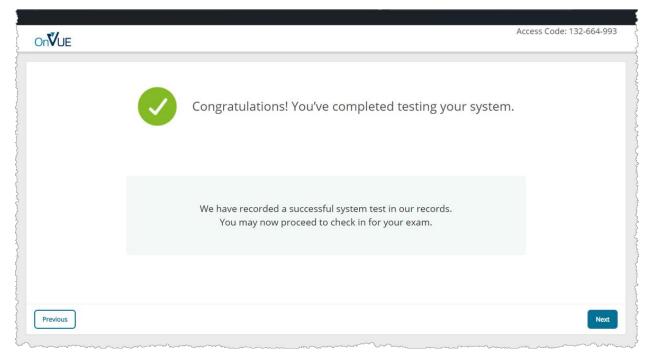




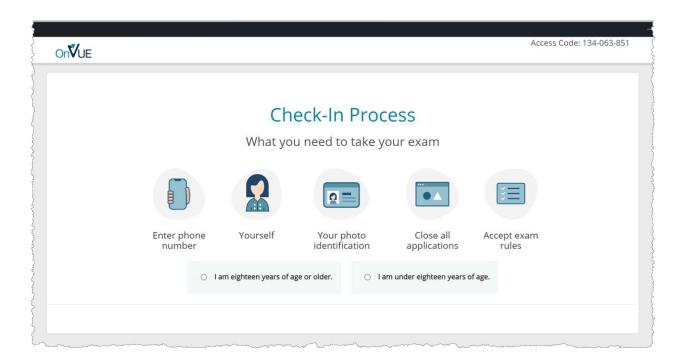


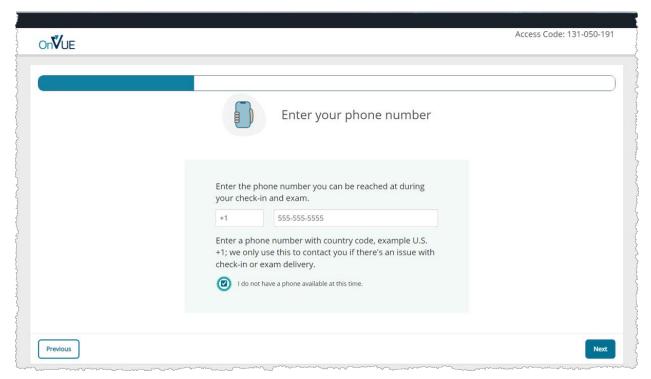


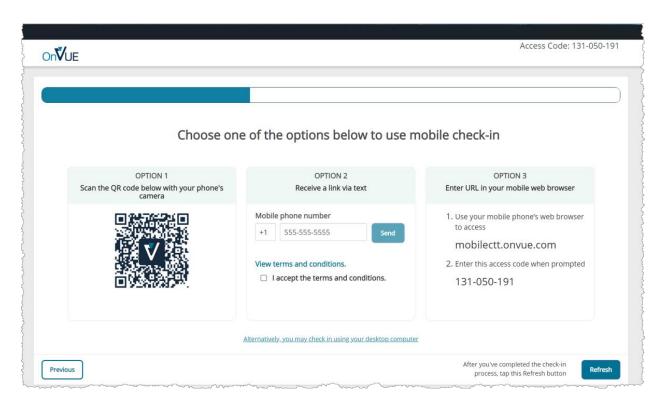


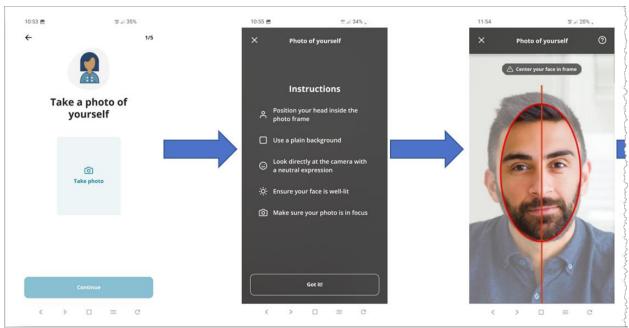






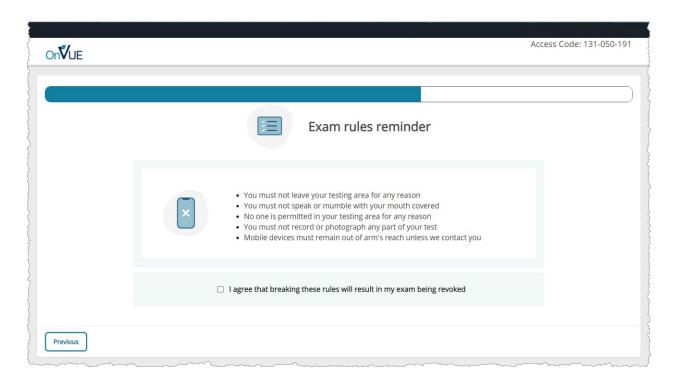


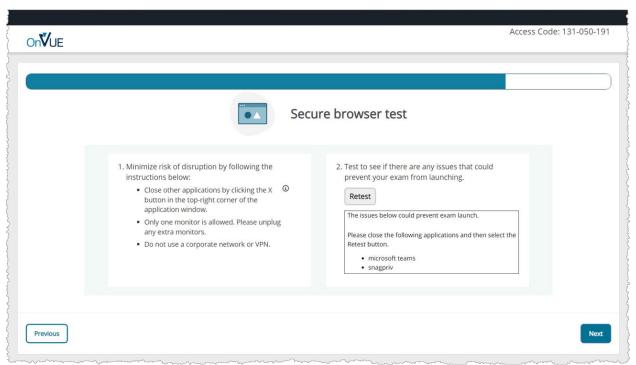




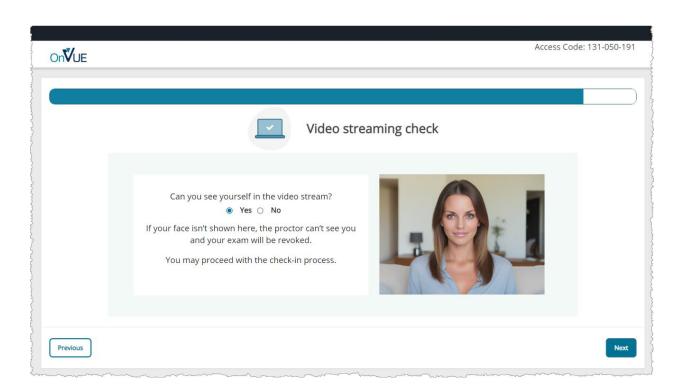


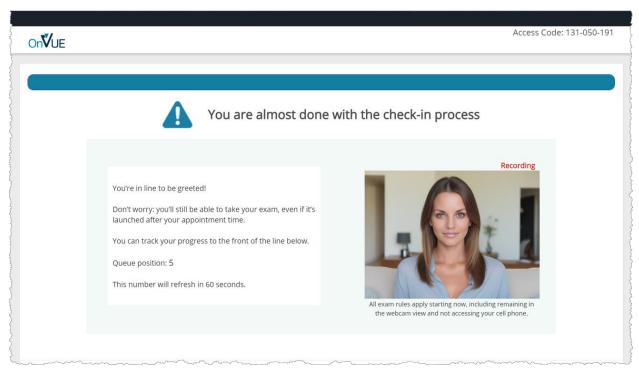












What if candidates don't pass the system test?

Candidates whose setup fails any of the diagnostic checks in the system test receive tailored troubleshooting information designed to help resolve their issues. After taking corrective actions, they can try the individual checks again or repeat the system test by starting it the same way they did previously.

Candidates who fail the system test multiple times can also contact our operations team 24/7 via chat on the OnVUE 'Download Page'.

In testing programs that have implemented the OnVUE self-service rescheduling feature, candidates who fail the system test on exam day before being allowed to connect with a greeter can use that feature to reschedule their exam. This gives them additional time to troubleshoot setup and connection issues or to find an alternative setup to use for taking their exam.

If candidates are still unable to pass the system test on any equipment available to them, we recommend scheduling an exam appointment at a testing center.

