

# The American Translators Association (ATA)

The American Translators Association (ATA) administers their exam with paper format. The ATA web site is <http://www.atanet.org/>.

The ATA certification examination tests the language skills of a professional translator.

- Comprehension of the source-language test.
- Translation techniques
- Writing in the target language

DANTES TCOs may not administer the ATA exam. The certification examination is a three-hour, open book exam in a specific language pair (i.e., one specific source language and one specific target language). There are three passages. Each passage contains about 225-275 words in English, or the equivalent in another language. The passages present common translation challenges that may vary from one language combination to another.

<u>Type of Certification</u>	<u>Exam Dates</u>	<u>Registration Date</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>DEPH Chapter</u>
Certified Translator Credential (CT)	Test on demand	4 weeks prior to test date	\$145 Membership \$300 Exam \$35 Non-refundable verification fee	<a href="http://www.dantes.doded.mil/DANTES_web/library/docs/deph/part3/ATA.pdf">http://www.dantes.doded.mil/DANTES_web/library/docs/deph/part3/ATA.pdf</a>