

CPA Exam 2027 Transition Timeline and Planner

The CPA Exam moves to a new AICPA delivery platform in July 2027. Exam content, sections, and the 75-point passing standard do not change. Testing pauses for 11 days, and score releases slow down for 12 months. Keep this sheet with your study plan and recheck dates against the AICPA schedule before you book.

Key dates

Date	What happens
June 30, 2027	Last Core data-file cutoff on the current schedule (scores target July 13, 2027)
July 1-11, 2027	Testing blackout: no CPA Exam appointments at any test center
July 12, 2027	Testing resumes on the new platform and new user interface
July 12 - Aug 12, 2027	First Discipline window (BAR, ISC, TCP) on the new platform
September 28, 2027	Score release for the first Discipline window
October 19, 2027	First Core score release (testing July 12 - September 30, 2027)
Q3 2027 - Q2 2028	Adjusted score release schedule runs for 12 months

Score release dates after the transition (target dates)

Core: if you test between	Score release
July 12 - September 30, 2027	October 19, 2027
October 1 - December 15, 2027	December 28, 2027
January 1 - March 15, 2028	March 28, 2028
April 1 - June 15, 2028	June 27, 2028

Discipline: testing window	Score release
July 12 - August 12, 2027	September 28, 2027
October 1 - 31, 2027	December 17, 2027
January 1 - 31, 2028	March 17, 2028
April 1 - 30, 2028	June 16, 2028

Note: the Core testing ranges skip December 16-31, 2027 and March 16-31, 2028. Testing late in a window gives you more study weeks for the same score date.

Before-or-after checklist

- ☐ List every hard deadline: credit expiries, NTS expiry, job start dates, board deadlines.
- ☐ Decide for each remaining section: test before July 1, 2027, or after July 12, 2027.
- ☐ If a credit expires in 2027 or 2028, contact your state board about transition timing.
- ☐ Book pre-blackout seats early: June 2027 appointments will be in high demand.
- ☐ If testing after the transition, aim late in a release window unless you need a retake buffer.
- ☐ Rebuild your weekly study timetable backwards from the chosen test date.
- ☐ Recheck the official AICPA score release schedule in the month you book.
- ☐ After booking, screenshot your appointment confirmation and NTS details.

My 2027 testing plan (fill in)

Section	Test date	Score date	Study start
AUD			
FAR			
REG			
Discipline: _____			

Credit expiry dates to protect: _____

NTS expiry: _____ Board deadline: _____

My decision: [] Finish key sections before July 2027 [] Test on the new platform

Build your week-by-week plan with the free study timetable generator at studyfromnotes.com/study-timetable-generator and the CPA exam study schedule guide on studyfromnotes.com.