



TENNESSEE NURSE AIDE

**TEST SITE EQUIPMENT LIST**

**FOR TEST SITES:** To be approved, a testing site must have all the materials listed for Testing Sites. Please refer to the following list for equipment and supplies needed by the test site or brought to the site with the RN Test Observer.

**FOR RN TEST OBSERVERS:** Your role is crucial. To be certified and remain active, you are responsible for checking test sites before starting each test event. Your task is to ensure that the test site equipment listed herein is available and in good working order. If not, you will report missing or inoperable test site equipment by listing it under the test irregularities in the test event before submitting your test event observations for scoring. You will carry at least the minimum equipment/supplies listed on the Additional Equipment Normally Provided by RN Observers to each test event you choose to oversee.

**EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES PROVIDED BY TESTING SITE**

- At least three Internet-connected computers, laptops, or tablets in the Knowledge Test room **and/or** provide Internet access (WiFi) for RN Test Observer-provided tablets or laptops.
- Internet-connected computer, laptop, or tablet in the Skill Test room **and/or** Internet access (WiFi) access for RN Test Observer provided laptop or tablet.
- Hand washing sink with warm running water, soap, and paper towels (*paper towel dispenser should be automatic advancing or pull-out type, not one that a bar or lever has to be touched to advance paper towels; must have manual hand faucets, no automatic faucets or foot pedals*)
- Long-term care bed(s) with working bed brakes, bed controls, and no side rails (*beds with brakes that are locked when the bed is raised (legs stay down) and beds that sound an alarm when the brakes are not locked are not acceptable. Brakes have to be able to be manually engaged.*)
- Manikin – the lower portion of the body is acceptable and must include the complete perineal and rectal areas (*anatomically correct – peri area for female and male*)
- Working privacy curtain(s) (*foldable/portable screens/curtains are not allowed*)
- Bedside stand
- Overbed table
- Wastebasket(s)
- Laundry receptacle(s) (hamper)
- Hand sanitizer(s)
- Disposable gloves in assorted sizes
- Toilet or commode (*if toilet is not available in skills lab*)
- Wall clocks – in the knowledge test room and skills lab (*skills lab clock must have a second-hand and easily visible*)
- Call light or signaling device (*doesn't have to be a working signaling device*)
- Wheelchair with working brakes and removable footrests (*footrests are removed for testing*)
- Walker

- Chair(s)
- Bedpans (*one standard and one fracture*)
- Linens including clean washcloths, towels, bath blankets, waterproof pads, resident gowns (*tie type, no snaps*), blankets or bedspreads, pillows, pillowcases, flat and fitted sheets
- Isolation gowns (*can be reusable cloth or disposable gowns; tie closure, Velcro closure, or slip-over-the-head gowns*)
- Catheter with tubing
- Urinary drainage bag with tubing
- Output measurement container/graduate
- Washbasins
- Emesis basins
- Food tray and disposable spoons
- Disposable wipes for hand hygiene in Feeding task
- Gait belts/transfer belts
- Teaching – (binaural) stethoscope and two sizes of blood pressure cuffs
- Alcohol wipes, alcohol pads, or antiseptic wipes
- Dentures (*one plate, upper or lower only for testing*), denture container, denture brush and cleanser

**ROOM REQUIREMENTS**

*The knowledge and skill test areas must be separate areas that are completely enclosed (doors on all entrances and floor-to-ceiling walls to avoid noise and distractions).*

- **Distraction and Interruption Free Skills Lab** – with all equipment and supplies listed available and in good working order.
  - For test days, any signage (posters) or displays that may cue candidates must be covered or removed.
  - If the skills lab and/or knowledge test room have any interior windows (i.e., on the door), they must be covered (blinds/etc.) during testing.
- **\*Distraction and Interruption Free Knowledge Test Room**
- **\*Holding or Waiting Area** – where candidates may wait to take the exam

\*Not needed if remotely proctored knowledge testing is taking place

**Due to test security, active cameras or video devices in the skills lab or knowledge test room are prohibited!**



**ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NORMALLY PROVIDED BY**

**RN TEST OBSERVER**

*(OR MAY BE PROVIDED BY THE TEST SITE)*

- RN Test Observer may provide their laptop or tablet for skill testing and three tablets or laptops for knowledge testing (*mobile tester*)
- Pens/pencils for recordings
- Scratch paper
- Four basic calculators – three in the knowledge test/and one in the skills test area
- Official data recording forms (*available on D&SDT-Headmaster’s Tennessee webpage*)
- Small clipboard to place the recording form on
- Non-skid footwear for actors (*easy to put on; slipper socks are not allowed*)
- Over-sized button-up shirt, sweat pants/shorts (*that will easily fit over the actor’s clothing*), and socks
- Sample food items (*single-serve size containers of applesauce, pudding, etc.*)
- Diet card (*available on D&SDT-Headmaster’s Tennessee webpage*), disposable spoons, napkins, bendable straws
- 2 clear 240ml glasses for the Feeding task (*state-mandated set of cups provided in the testing kit from D&SDT-Headmaster*)
- Actor’s toothbrush, toothpaste and disposable cups
- Toothettes or swabs
- Soap (*PERI-WASH AND NO-RINSE SOAPS ARE NOT ALLOWED*)
- Nail file and orange stick
- Tissue or toilet paper

- Small travel clock or watch with a secondhand
- **AUDIO KNOWLEDGE TEST ADMINISTRATION:**  
Disposable wired headphones/earbuds that can plug into the computer speaker jack (*Amazon sells disposable ones*). Bluetooth-connected devices are not allowed.
- Pre-measured “urine” fluid amounts in unmarked containers (hint: use yellow food coloring in water)
- Two audible count-down timers or a multiple timer that do not tick out loud (*one for 15 minutes left warning and one for 35 minutes up*) or use the countdown timer on the TMU© Observer screen

**RECOMMENDED ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO CARRY IN TESTING KIT**

- Washcloths and towels that you know are clean to be used during the Bed Bath task on your actor
- A syringe to easily fill the drainage bag with pre-measured fake ‘urine’
- Soap - *PERI-WASH AND NO RINSE SOAPS ARE NOT ALLOWED*
- Extra audible count-down timers in case a set doesn’t work or batteries are dead
- Extra disposable wipes and single-serve food items for the Feeding task
- Back up hand sanitizer(s)
- Gait/Transfer belt you know will fit your actor
- Other small items you can use as backups to salvage a test event when something breaks or is missing, etc.

Test sites and RN Test Observers may mutually agree to a different mix of equipment distribution, depending on mutual agreement with the test site. Please call D&SDT-HEADMASTER at (877)201-0758 if we can assist you with any of these issues.

**TEST SITE AFFIDAVIT:**

Our facility will attest on the Tennessee TMU© Test Site Application that our Test Site has the equipment and supplies listed herein and will make the equipment and supplies available to certified RN Test Observers to administer nurse aide knowledge and skill tests to nurse aide candidates at our test site for days we have scheduled test events in TMU© and that our Facility is under no authoritative sanctions and that we have read, understood, and will abide by all listed guidelines.

**RN TEST OBSERVER/TASE AFFIDAVIT:**

RN Test Observers-TASEs will attest on the Tennessee TMU© RN Test Observer|Test Administration Services Entity (TASE) Application that they will provide at least the equipment and supplies listed under **ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT NORMALLY PROVIDED BY RN TEST OBSERVER** to administer nurse aide knowledge and skill tests to nurse aide candidates that they have committed their team to test events for any test dates created in TMU©.