

## CPO Mains Exam Pattern - 200 Questions in 120 Minutes

Get ready for a comprehensive look at the CPO Mains Exam Pattern! Knowing the format and structure of the mains paper is crucial as you go on to the next round of the SSC Central Police Organization (CPO) exam. In this blog, we'll break down the CPO Mains Exam Pattern, offering valuable insights and strategies to help you prepare effectively. Before we start to focus on the strategy to ace the CPO Mains Exam, let's help you decode the overall exam pattern followed by CPO Mains Exam Pattern.

## SSC CPO 2024 Exam Pattern

The

### Staff Selection Commission

conducts the SSC CPO exam annually. The SSC CPO Selection Process includes four phases, prelims (Tier I), the Physical Efficiency Test (PET)/Physical Standard Test (PST), mains (Tier II), and the Medical examination. Understanding the exam pattern is vital for SSC CPO Exam 2024 success. Before we dive into the details, let's give you an overview of the CPO exam pattern 2024. Check out the image below to see the CPO Exam Pattern 2024 at a single glance.

### SSC CPO EXAM PATTERN 2024

Lets begin to prepare for the exams in the given chronology!

			Number of Questios/ Maximum Marks	Time Duration
 Paper 1	General Intelligence & Reasoning + English Comprehension	General Knowledge & General Awareness + Quantitative Aptitude	200/200	120 minutes
+  Paper 2	English language and Comprehension		200/200	120 minutes
+ PST & PET + DME	As mentioned in the notification.		-	-

[Source: KD Live]

It's important to note that there's a negative marking. To excel in the upcoming CPO mains examination, you must stay updated with the latest

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. Now, let's delve into the details of the CPO Mains Exam Pattern.

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The CPO Mains Exam will be conducted after the PET/PST test. Moreover, the pointers below will provide you with all the important details regarding the SSC CPO mains exam, which is referred as Paper 2 in the official notification

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- The total duration of the exam is 120 minutes, i.e., 2 hours.
- The total number of questions asked will be 200, and the maximum marks for Mains will be 200.
- There will be multiple-choice questions.
- The test will be in English Language and Comprehension and will be conducted online.
- Remember that there will be no negative marking if you do not attempt a question.
- However, there will be a negative marking of 0.25 for each wrong answer.

In addition, we have included an image from the official notification for you.

### PAPER-II

Date of Examination	Subject	Maximum Marks	Maximum Questions	Duration and timing
	English language & Comprehension	200	200 questions	2 Hours

[Source:ssc.gov.in]

Furthermore, you can learn more about the

[SSC CPO Exam Pattern 2024](#)

through our blog by clicking on the embedded link.

## CPO Mains Syllabus

Now that you know the outline of the CPO Mains Exam Pattern, let's quickly go over the exam syllabus. However, why is familiarity with the syllabus crucial? The advantages are simple; for instance, it allows you to focus your study efforts where they are most needed. English Language and Comprehension is the only subject covered in the CPO Mains Exam Pattern. Topics includes error detection, voice, sentences improvement, cloze tests and passages, etc. Each of the topics covered in the Mains Syllabus are, however, shown in the image below.

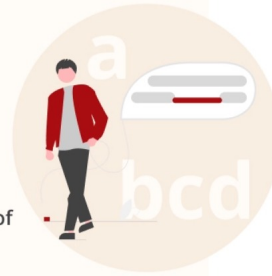
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### PAPER 2 SYLLABUS

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#### English Language & Comprehension

- Error recognition
- Filling in the blanks (using verbs preposition, articles, etc.)
- Vocabulary
- Spellings
- Grammar
- Sentence Structure
- Synonyms
- Antonyms
- Sentence
- Completion
- Phrases and Idiomatic use of words
- comprehension, etc.



[Source:KD Live]

For more detailed information about CPO Mains Syllabus, go through our blog on [CPO Syllabus 2024](#) for both Papers 1 and 2.

## CPO Mains Marking Scheme

Now that you have all of the information on the CPO Mains Exam Pattern and syllabus, let's look at the marking scheme for the same. To acquire a better idea, look at the following:

- In the Mains exam, each question will be of 1 mark.
- There will be no negative marking if you do not attempt a question.
- However, there will be a negative marking of 0.25 for each wrong answer.

## CPO Marks Normalization

Additionally, it is crucial that you are aware of the normalization of marks and how it will take place in the examination. Since different shifts can have varying levels of complexity in their questions, a direct score comparison might not be equitable. Thus, normalization addresses this issue by equalizing the scores, enabling a more just evaluation of candidates. Normalization of marks is a method in which the marks of various candidates are brought to an equal level to prevent any disparities in the difficulty levels of question papers across multiple shifts of the same exam.



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Moreover, according to the official notification, SSC will follow the formula mentioned in the

### Normalization method

. This normalised score will help determine the final merit and cut-off marks. These normalized scores play a pivotal role in determining the final merit list and cutoff marks. Additionally, candidates holding National Cadet Corps (NCC) certificates (as of 01.08.2024) are eligible for bonus marks in Tier 1 and Tier 2, which are added to their normalized scores according to a specific scheme.

Type of NCC Certification	Bonus Marks in each Tier 1 and Tier 2
NCC 'C' Certificate	10 marks (5% of the maximum marks)
NCC 'B' Certificate	marks)
NCC 'A' Certificate	4 marks (2% of the maximum marks)

Well, now that you are aware of the CPO Mains Exam Pattern, how about we take a look at the important exam dates for the SSC CPO 2024 examination?

## CPO Exam Dates 2024

You should be aware of some important dates if you're preparing for the CPO 2024 exam. The Staff Selection Commission released the CPO 2024 notification on its official website on March 4, 2024. Remember to keep track of the dates for the opening and closing of applications, as well as the release of admit cards. Additionally, the table below shows the schedule of the CPO 2024 exams.

Events	Dates
SSC CPO 2024 Notification Release	4 Mar 2024
Last date to apply for the SSC CPO application form	28 Mar 2024
Last date and time for online fee payment	29 Mar 2024
Date of 'Window for Application Form Correction' and online payment of Correction Charges.	30 Mar to 31 Mar 2024
SSC CPO Exam Paper 1, 2024 (Prelims)	9, 10 & 13 May, 2024

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Finally, we have come to the end of our blog. We're confident that this blog will be a valuable resource as you structure your study strategy for the upcoming CPO Exam 2024. It's essential to customize your preparation to align with the CPO Mains Exam Pattern. For a competitive exam such as the SSC CPO, time management and precision are essential. As a result, concentrate on grasping concepts, practicing regularly, and increasing speed without compromising accuracy. All the best for your exam!



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