



## **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

### **What is the RCR (Realtime Certified Reporter) credential?**

The RCR is a NYSCRA certification validating expertise in stenographic realtime competency.

### **Why become realtime certified with NYSCRA?**

- Decrease editing time to maximize earning potential
- Hold an elite credential with ability to update your resume/email signature
- Receive realtime recognition from the New York State and United States court systems

### **How do I register for the RCR?**

Submit payment through [nyscra.org/testing](https://nyscra.org/testing) to receive an online calendar link to schedule your preferred date and time. Initial signups require completing registration requirements.

### **How does the fee structure work?**

- First-time testers pay \$150 as members and \$250 as nonmembers.
- Retesting is \$95 for members and \$195 for nonmembers.

### **What are the test specifications of the RCR?**

- Two (five-minute) exams are administered at 200 WPM preceded by a two-minute warm-up.
- Tests are Q&A two-voice testimony.

### **Are there prerequisites or policies?**

- A declaration of employment or certificate of graduation proof may be required.
- NYSCRA credentials are valid with memberships in good standing. No CEUs are required.
- Nonmembers attaining a passing grade must become members to receive the RCR credential.

### **What is my responsibility as a test-taker?**

Test-takers should become familiar with the testing protocol described in the *RCR Online Guide* provided after registration. Knowledge of Zoom and screen-sharing is required.

### **What is the cancellation policy?**

- Reschedule at discounted fee 10 days prior to Test Day.
- No refunds are honored. Credit may be applied for emergencies with proof provided.

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### **What are the translation file requirements?**

The specifications for setting up your test file and creating a job dictionary are included in the ***RCR Online Guide*** provided after registration.

### **What if I took the NYRCR at a lower speed and now want to take the RCR credential at the current speed?**

All NYRCR credentialed members can retake the RCR exams at the retest discounted rates.

Contact [testing@nyscranow.org](mailto:testing@nyscranow.org) for your retest link.

### **What benchmarks should a prospective test-taker achieve to feel ready to test?**

The ability to write Q&A dictation at 200 WPM with clean translation that includes punctuation.

