

SIE Cheat Sheet 2026

The night-before summary, built like the exam.

75 Scored questions	1h 45m Time limit	70% Passing score
\$100 Exam fee	FINRA Governing body	

SIE exam at a glance

- Total items: 80
- Scored items: 75
- Unidentified pretest items: 5
- Time: 105 minutes
- Passing score: 70%
- 2026 exam fee: \$100

High-weight outline areas

- Understanding Products and Their Risks: 33 scored items (44%)
- Knowledge of Capital Markets: 12 scored items (16%)

Registration reminders

- Association with a firm is not required to take the SIE, and there is no prerequisite exam.
- Passing the SIE alone does not qualify an individual for FINRA registration.
- A passing result remains valid for four years.

Scoring caution: FINRA states a 70% passing score. Do not present that percentage as a guaranteed raw number of correct or missed items.

Official sources

- ExamFX — ExamFX SIE Exam Prep: <https://www.examfx.com/securities/sie-exam>
- Achievable — Achievable FINRA SIE Exam Prep: <https://achievable.me/exams/finra-sie/prepare/>
- Knopman Marks — Knopman Marks SIE Exam Prep: <https://knopman.com/courses/sie-securities-industry-essentials-exam-prep>

Free practice questions for this exam: www.everyexamprep.com/practice/exams/securities/sie