



NMAT 2026 Exam Dates, Schedule: Registration, Admit Card, Result

[NMAT 2026 exam](#) is expected to be held from early November till mid-December, 2026. NMAT 2026 Registration dates are early August till mid-October, 2026. Exact dates will be confirmed on the release of [NMAT 2026 notification](#). NMAT exam duration is 120 minutes, and exam can be taken in morning, afternoon and evening shifts. NMAT Exam is a well-accepted [MBA entrance exam](#) that offers flexibility and convenience through a long testing window, multiple attempts, and self-scheduling options. If you're planning to appear for [NMAT 2026](#), it's essential to keep track of all key dates related to registration, exam scheduling, rescheduling, and test slots. Read this article for complete details. Also download [NMAT 2026 Exam Dates and Schedule PDF](#).



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What is NMAT 2026 Exam?

NMAT (NMAT by GMAC) is an important national level MBA entrance test leading to admission in many top MBA colleges including NMIMS Mumbai, TAPMI, XIMB, KJ Somaiya and SDA Bocconi amongst others. NMAT exam is conducted by Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC), the body that also conducts GMAT Exam across the world. Check key highlights of NMAT Exam in table below.

NMAT 2026 Exam Highlights

NMAT Exam Particulars	Key Details
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NMAT Exam Conducting Body	Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC)
NMAT official Website	mba.com/exams/nmat
Top MBA colleges accepting NMAT	NMIMS, XIMB, KJ Somaiya, TAPMI, SDA Bocconi
NMAT 2026 Exam Dates	November 5 to December 19, 2026 (Expected)
NMAT Exam Test Mode	Computer-based test at Test Centre OR Online Proctored Exam at Home
NMAT Exam Time Duration	2 hours
Total Questions in NMAT Exam	108
NMAT Scoring Scheme	+3 Mark for each Correct answer, No negative marking for wrong answer
Sectional Division of the NMAT Exam	3 Sections
Does NMAT have Sectional Time Limit?	Yes, and is different for each section
Choice of determining order of sections	Yes, available only once
Exam Difficulty Level	Moderate as compared to CAT or XAT Exams
Required NMAT exam Percentile for MBA admission in Top Colleges	Based on NMAT Scaled Score, Percentile Not Awarded
NMAT Exam Application Fee	Rs. 3000 (Expected)

NMAT 2026 Exam Dates and Schedule: Registration Start and End Dates

Based on previous year's date, NMAT 2026 registration window is expected to open on August 1, 2026 and close in Mid-October, 2026. During this period, candidates can register online through the official NMAT by GMAC portal and proceed to schedule their preferred exam date and time.

- NMAT 2026 Registration Start Date: August 1, 2026 (Expected)
- NMAT 2026 Registration Last Date: October 10, 2026 (Expected)

Check complete NMAT registration schedule in the table below.

NMAT Important Dates 2026 (Expected)

NMAT Events	Start Date	End Date
NMAT 2026 Registration	Aug 1, 2026	Oct 18, 2026
NMAT 2026 Scheduling	Aug 1, 2026	Oct 18, 2026
NMAT 2026 Re-scheduling	Aug 1, 2026	Dec 16, 2026
NMAT 2026 Exam Dates	Nov 5, 2026	Dec 19, 2026
NMAT Retake registration	Nov 6, 2026	Dec 16, 2026
NMAT 2026 Retake scheduling	Nov 6, 2026	Dec 16, 2026
Release of NMAT 2026 official scorecard	Within 48 hours of exam slot	Within 48 hours of exam slot

NMAT 2026 Exam Dates and Schedule: Exam Start and End Dates

The NMAT 2026 exam is expected to be conducted over a wide testing window. Candidates can choose a convenient slot (morning, afternoon, or evening) at a test center. Check expected dates below:

- NMAT 2026 Exam Start Date: November 5, 2026 (Expected)
- NMAT 2026 Exam Last Date: December 19, 2026 (Expected)
- Time Slots: Multiple slots available each day

NMAT Exam Date and Schedule 2026: Rescheduling Dates

In case you need to change your NMAT exam slot, the rescheduling facility will be available from August to December, 2026. Candidates must reschedule at least 72 hours before the original test date.

- NMAT 2026 Rescheduling Start Date: August 1, 2026 (Expected)
- NMAT 2026 Rescheduling End Date: December 16, 2026 (Expected)
- Mode: Online via NMAT candidate dashboard

NMAT 2026 Notification Release Date

NMAT 2026 official notification is expected to be released by the Graduate Management Admission Council (GMAC) in July 2026 (tentative), based on the NMAT 2025 release pattern when the notification was published ahead of the August 1 registration opening. The notification will be published on the official NMAT by GMAC website mba.com/exams/nmat and will confirm all key dates, including registration window, exam window, rescheduling dates, retake schedule, and the Additional Phase dates (if applicable). It will also specify the registration fee, test centre list, exam pattern, eligibility criteria, and complete terms and conditions for NMAT 2026.

NMAT 2026 Admit Card Release Dates

NMAT 2026 admit card will be released immediately after successful fee payment and slot booking. Hence NMAT Admit Card release process is different from [CAT 2026](#), [XAT 2027](#), or [SNAP 2026](#), which release admit cards on a fixed date. Since NMAT uses a self-scheduling model, each candidate's admit card becomes available on their NMAT by GMAC candidate dashboard as soon as their payment is realised and the exam slot is confirmed. The [NMAT admit card](#) will carry the candidate's name, photograph, NMAT by GMAC ID, exam date and time, test centre address (or Online Proctored at Home login details), and proctor instructions.

NMAT 2026 Result Release Date

NMAT 2026 scorecard will be available for download on the candidate dashboard within 48 hours of taking the exam, making NMAT the fastest-result [MBA entrance exams in India](#). For reference, [CAT results](#) are released after a month of exam date and [XAT result](#) are released after 2-3 weeks of exam date.

Candidates will receive an email notification from GMAC when the scorecard is ready. The scorecard includes scaled section scores (12–120 per section for Language Skills,

Quantitative Skills, and Logical Reasoning) and the total scaled score (36–360), along with candidate details and exam attempt information.

NMAT 2026 Additional Phase Dates

Based on historical patterns, GMAC conducts an NMAT Additional Phase in early January each year, giving aspirants a second opportunity to appear for the NMAT exam if they could not register or perform their best during the main November–December window. For the NMAT 2026 cycle, the Additional Phase is expected to be held in January 2027 (tentative) with a short registration window (typically 5–7 days) opening in late December 2026 or early January 2027. Exact Additional Phase dates will be announced by GMAC on mba.com/exams/nmat closer to the main exam window's conclusion.

The Additional Phase carries the same Rs 3,000 + taxes registration fee. However, candidates should note that NMIMS University and some other top B-schools close their MBA admission applications by mid-January 2027, so Additional Phase scores may not be accepted by all institutes.

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NMAT 2026 Exam Duration

NMAT exam duration is two hours or 120 minutes. Each section has a fixed allotted time. You can choose the order of the sections. Read more about [NMAT Exam Pattern](#).

Summary

In summary, based on previous year's exam dates, NMAT 2026 Exam Date and Time are given in this article. These dates will be confirmed after release of NMAT notification. Read above article for complete NMAT Exam Date and Time 2026 details.