

**Air Force AFCAT 2 Notification 2023 Released for 276 Posts! The Indian Air Force (IAF) has published the notification for the Air Force Common Admission Test (AFCAT) 2/2023 batch course, scheduled to commence from July 2024. Eligible candidates are invited to apply online for AFCAT 2 2023 through the official website, starting from June 1, 2023. Also, note that the Aadhar card is mandatory for online registration. Check out the selection process, eligibility criteria, and more below.**

The **Indian Air Force (IAF)** has recently announced the notification for the AFCAT 2 2023 batch course, scheduled to commence from July 2024. Interested candidates can apply online for the exam through the official website.

The **AFCAT 2 2023 Notification** aims to fill 276 officer vacancies in the Indian Air Force. Detailed information regarding branch-wise vacancies can be found in the notification. The pay scale for AFCAT Entry 2023 is set at Rs.56,100-1,77,500/- (Level-10).

- The application process will begin on June 1, 2023 and end on 30th June 2023.
- Candidates applying for AFCAT 2 2023 are required to pay an **application fee of Rs.250/-**, regardless of their category.
- The **age limit for AFCAT Entry 2023** is 20-24 years for the Flying Branch and 20-26 years for the Ground Duty (Technical/ Non-Technical Branches).
- The selection process consists of a written exam followed by the Air Force Selection Board (AFSB), which includes document verification and a medical examination.
- The AFCAT exam for selecting Flying Branch and Ground Duty posts is conducted twice a year.

Check out the article further to know the selection process, the application process, eligibility criteria, exam pattern, etc.

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# What is AFCAT?

The Air Force Common Admission Test is one of the highly sought-after examinations conducted by the Indian Air Force (IAF) to recruit eligible candidates for the Flying Branch, Ground Duty (Technical) Branch, and Ground Duty (Non-Technical) Branch. The AFCAT exam is conducted twice a year by the Indian Air Force (IAF). Interested candidates who wish to join the Indian Air Force can apply online for the AFCAT exam.

The willing candidates who aspire to qualify for the AFCAT exam must perform well in every particular stage of the selection process. After qualifying for the AFCAT online examination, the shortlisted candidates are called for the Air Force Selection Board (AFSB) Testing.

The applicants who are applying for the AFCAT Ground Duty (Technical Branch) must appear for both the AFCAT online examination as well as the Engineering Knowledge Test (EKT). Whereas, the candidates from Ground Duty (Non-Technical) Branch have to appear only for the AFCAT exam.

AFCAT Exam 2023 Overview	
Name of Organization	Indian Air Force
Exam Name	Air Force Common Admission Test
Post Name	Flying Branch and Ground Duty Staff (Technical & Non-Technical)/ NCC Special Entry
Registration Start Date	1st June 2023
Last Date to Apply	30th June 2023
Admit Card Release Date	To be announced
Exam Date	25th, 26th and 27th August 2023
Result Date	To be announced
Mode of Exam	Online
Frequency of Exam	Twice a Year

## Latest Updates On AFCAT Exam

Here are the latest updates on the AFCAT (Air Force Common Admission Test) exam:

### 19th May 2023: AFCAT Vacancy Out!

The Indian Air Force has released the AFCAT II Vacancy 2023. Candidates can start filling out online applications on June 1, 2023, and the last date to apply is on June 30, 2023. The AFCAT 2/2023 course will commence in July 2024.

[Direct Link to Download AFCAT Result](#)

## 10th February 2023: AFCAT (1) 2023 Admit Card Out!

The admit card for AFCAT 01/2023 has been released on the official website. The candidates can download the admit card using the direct link given below. Also note that the admit cards will be sent to the candidate's registered Email Ids.

[Direct Link to Download Admit Card for AFCAT 01/2023](#)

## AFCAT Vacancy 2023

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has released the detailed AFCAT 2023 notification. The vacancy details are also notified in the detailed notification. Candidates will be selected based on the merit list of the AFCAT exam, availability of training slots, various cadre control mechanisms, and an exact number of vacancies. Check the table below to know the vacancy for the 2023 cycle.

Post	Vacancy
Flying Branch	11
AFCAT Ground Duty (Technical)	151
Ground Duty (Non-Technical)	114
Total	276

Know the [AFCAT Tips](#) and Ace the exam with Flying colors.

## AFCAT Apply Online 2023

Candidates looking for job opportunities in the Indian Air Force (IAF) can apply online through the official website of the AFCAT CDAC. The candidates should note that the application can be submitted online only. The candidates are advised to check the complete details before applying online. Candidates should fill the application online mode from the official website.

**Step 1:** Proceed to [AFCAT Official Website](#) and proceed to the application link.

**Step 2:** Complete your name, email ID, phone number, etc. in order to complete registration.

**Step 3:** Login in and fill in your desired selection entry, Personal, Educational, and other required details in the form carefully.

**Step 4:** Upload the required documents according to the prescribed format i.e. Photo, Signature & Thumb Impression (size of each jpg/ jpeg file to be between 10 and 50 kb). The candidates can use the [Testbook Resize Tool](#).

**Step 5:** Select your exam city and proceed to fee payment.

**Step 6:** Pay the requisite application fee.

**Step 7:** The completely filled application form can be saved for future reference.

## AFCAT Application Fee 2023



Candidates applying for the AFCAT entry will have to pay an application fee while submitting the application form. Candidates applying for the NCC entry need not pay any application fee. The application fee should only be paid online. Payment through cash or demand draft (DD) will not be entertained. Candidates should keep the transaction details for future records.

Entry	Application Fee
AFCAT Entry	INR 250/-
NCC Special Entry	NA

**Note:** Fee is not applicable for NCC special entry.

## AFCAT Eligibility 2023

The aspiring candidates must ensure that they satisfy the eligibility criteria as required. Candidates need to meet all the required criteria as mentioned below. Read below to know more.

Eligibility Criteria	Requirements
Nationality	The candidate must be a Citizen of India as per Indian Citizenship Act, 1955.
Marital Status	Candidates must be unmarried at course commencement and not married during training; those married will be discharged and liable for government expenses.

## AFCAT Flying Branch & NCC Entry Eligibility 2023

Check out the parameters on which the candidates' eligibility will be checked.

### Age Limit:(Flying Branch)

- Minimum Age - 20 years.
- Maximum Age - 24 years.
- The candidates should be of this age as of 1st July 2024.

### Educational Qualification

Candidates should have mandatorily passed with a minimum of 50% marks each in Maths and Physics at 10+2 level and

- Graduation with a minimum three years degree course in any discipline from a recognized University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent. OR
- BE/B Tech degree (Four years course) from a recognized University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent. OR
- Candidates who have cleared Section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognized University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent

## AFCAT Ground Duty Eligibility Criteria 2023

Below is the educational criteria and age limit on which the candidates' eligibility will be evaluated.

**Nationality**

The candidate must be an Indian Citizen as per the Indian citizenship act 1955.

**Age Limit**

- Minimum Age - 20 years.
- Maximum Age - 26 years.
- The candidates should be of this age as of 1st July 2024.

**Marital Status**

Candidates should be unmarried at the course commencement, and marriage is not permitted while training. A candidate who marries during the training period shall be discharged and liable to refund all expenditures incurred on him by the Government.

**Educational Qualification**

Check out the below table to know the educational qualification required:

Post	Education
Aeronautical Engineer (Electronics) {AE (L)}	Candidates with a minimum of 50% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four years degree graduation/integrated post-graduation qualification in Engineering/ Technology from recognized University OR cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India or Graduate membership examination of the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in Computer Engineering/Technology, Electrical or equivalent discipline.
Aeronautical Engineer (Mechanical) {AE (M)}	Candidates with a minimum of 50% mark each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four years degree graduation/integrated post-graduation qualification in Engineering/Technology from recognized University OR cleared Sections A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in Aerospace, Mechanical or similar disciplines.
Ground Duty (Non-Technical) Branches	<p><b>Weapon System Branch:</b> Passed 10+2 with minimum 50% marks each in Maths &amp; Physics and Graduation with minimum 3 year degree course in any discipline with 60% marks OR BE/BTech (4 year degree course ) with minimum 60% marks.</p> <p><b>Administration:</b> Passed 10+2 and Graduate Degree (Minimum three years degree course) in any discipline from a recognized university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent or cleared section A &amp; B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognized university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.</p> <p><b>Accounts:</b> Passed 10+2 and done graduation in any of the following streams with 60 % marks or equivalent from a recognized university:-  (aaa) B. Com Degree (Min three years course).  (aab) Bachelor of Business Administration (with specialization in Finance)/ Bachelor of Management Studies (with specialization in Finance)/ Bachelor of Business Studies (with specialization in Finance) Qualified CA/ CMA/ CS/ CFA. B.Sc. with specialization in Finance</p> <p><b>Education:</b> Passed 10+2 and Post-Graduation with 50% marks in any discipline including integrated courses offering PG (Single degree without permission to exit and lateral entry) and with 60% marks in Graduation in any discipline</p>
Meteorology	Passed 10+2 and B.Sc. with Maths & Physics with 60% minimum marks or 4 year Graduation degree in Engg & Technology discipline with minimum 60% marks or equivalent in Communication Engg/ Computer Engg/ Electrical/ Electronics/ Mechanical Engg, etc.



The candidates applying for the AFCAT exam should be physically fit to perform the military duties properly. The candidates are further advised to keep themselves physically fit when they report for the SSB (Services Selection Board) Interview. Following are the activities that a candidate needs to perform during the AFCAT Physical Standard Test.

- 1 mile (1.6 kms) run in 10 minutes
- 10 push ups
- 3 chin ups

The aspiring candidates are also advised to be in a good physical condition to adapt to physical training at the Air Force Academy (AFA) which consists of swimming, running, rope climbing, and other physical training.

## AFCAT Syllabus 2023

The questions that will be asked in the AFCAT written exam will be based on different subjects. Various topics for the [AFCAT Syllabus](#) for various subjects are as given below.

Subject	Topics
English	Synonyms, Comprehension, Error Detection, Antonyms, Sentence Rearrangement, Sentence Completion/Filling in of correct word, Idioms and Phrases, Cloze Test, Fill in the gaps in a paragraph, Analogy, One word substitution
General Awareness	History, Geography, Civics, Environment & Ecology, Basic Science, Science & Technology, Polity, Defence, Art & Culture, Personalities, Current Affairs, National & International organizations, Sports
Numerical Ability	Time and Work, Average, Percentage, Decimal Fraction, Ratio & Proportion, Simple Interest & Compound Interest, Profit & Loss, Time & Distance (Trains/Boats & Streams), Area and Perimeter, Probability, Number System & Number Series, Mixture & Alligation, Clocks
Reasoning and Military Aptitude Test	Verbal Reasoning, Non Verbal Reasoning, Coding-Decoding, Series, Classification, Analogy, Logical Venn Diagrams, Data Interpretation, Mental Ability, Military Aptitude Test

## AFCAT Syllabus Preparation Tips

- To prepare for the English section, candidates should read newspapers, books, and other relevant study material. Practicing previous year question papers and taking mock tests can also help improve performance.
- For the General Awareness section, candidates must stay updated with the latest current affairs and can refer to various news sources, online magazines, and newspapers to keep themselves updated.
- To prepare for the Numerical Ability section, candidates should practice solving mathematical problems regularly and refer to relevant study material.
- For the Reasoning and Military Aptitude Test section, candidates should practice solving logical and reasoning based questions regularly and refer to relevant study material.

Know the list of best [AFCAT Books](#)

## AFCAT Exam Pattern 2023

The written examination for the AFCAT will consist of 100 questions. The first section will consist of subjects like General Awareness, Verbal Ability in English, Numerical Ability, and Reasoning which will be of 300 marks in total. The [AFCAT Exam Pattern](#) is as follows.

Exam	Section	Exam Duration	Total No. of Questions	Marks
AFCAT	General Awareness, Verbal Ability in English, Numerical Ability, Reasoning & Military Aptitude Test	02 Hours	100	300

- The subjects will be (Section I - Verbal Ability in English, Numerical Ability, and Reasoning).
- Section I will be of 300 marks in total with 100 questions.
- The section I exam will be of a duration of 2 hours.
- +3 marks will be rewarded for every correct answer.
- There will be a negative marking of -1 for every wrong answer.
- There won't be any marking for unattempted questions.

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## AFCAT Salary and Additional Allowances

The Indian Air Force offers a variety of advantages to eligible candidates along with a handsome salary. The initial stipend payable to the trainee candidates at the time of training is Rs. 56100/- per month. The table below mentions the details of pay band, military service pay, and the CPC for [AFCAT Salary](#) which are offered to the employees.

Post	Salary
Pay Band	INR 56,100/- per month (Level 10 - Pay Matrix)
Military Service Pay	INR 15,000/- per month
CPC	INR 56,000/- - INR 1,77,500/-

## Perks and Additional Benefits

All employees of the Indian Air Force receive a lot of benefits along with the salary which is offered to them. The perks and additional benefits are listed below. With such perks and benefits being offered to the selected candidates, the job profile is more desirable and one wouldn't want to miss out on this opportunity.

- Insurance
- Scholarship and Welfares
- Medical
- Loan Facility
- Educational Opportunities
- Post Retirement Benefits
- Placement Cell
- Other Benefits (Travel Concession, Accommodation, School Facilities, etc.)

## AFCAT Additional Allowances

- Flying Branch- Rs 11250 per month.



- Technical Branch Officers: Rs 2500 per month.
- TA, DA, Children Education Allowance, Ration Money Allowance etc.

## AFCAT Selection Process 2023

The selection process for the AFCAT will be of various stages. The first stage will be a written examination. Candidates who qualify at this stage will be called up for the SSB exam. The SSB exam will further consist of tests like Picture Perception and Discussion tests, Psychological tests, etc. Also, the candidates must be physically fit when they appear for SSB Interview as they will have to undergo various tests. Finally, the candidates will be tested for medical fitness. Those candidates who will complete all the stages and fall under the final merit list will be considered eligible for the post. The selection process will be as follows.

- AFCAT Exam
- Air Force Selection Board Interview(SSB)
- Medical Examination

**Note:** Online Test will be held only for AFCAT Entry.

### AFSB Testing

The Indian Air Force will invite qualified candidates by sending call letters to all the candidates who clear the AFCAT exam to appear for the second stage of selection that includes AFSB Testing, also known as the Air Force Selection Board. The AFSB comprises two stages of testing as mentioned below.

#### AFSB Testing Stage 1

- Officer Intelligence Rating Test.
- Picture Perception and Discussion Test (PP&DT)

#### AFSB Testing Stage 2

- Psychological Tests
- Group Tests
- Personal Interview:
- Computerized Pilot Selection System (CPSS) Test (For Flying Branch)

### Medical Examination

All those recommended candidates who have qualified for the AFSB will be called for the medical examination. The Indian Air Force (IAF) has notified only two centers for conducting the Medical Examination which is located at the Institute of Aviation Medicine, Bengaluru, and the Air Force Central Medical Establishment (AFCME).

Once the medical examination is conducted successfully, a final merit list would be declared on the basis of the marks scored by the candidate in the AFCAT written exam, and AFSB Interview. All those candidates who have been shortlisted would be given the joining letter to join the prestigious Indian Air Force.

## AFCAT Exam Dates 2023

The AFCAT recruitment 2023 important dates are given below. Candidates can go through the table to keep in mind the important dates. Get more details about the [AFCAT 2 2023 exam date](#) here.

Event	Dates
	<b>AFCAT 2 2023</b>
Short Notification Release Date	19th May 2023
Online Application Process Date	1st June 2023
Online Application Process End Date	30th June 2023
Admit Card Release Date	10th August 2023
AFCAT Exam	25th, 26th and 27th August 2023
AFCAT Result Date	To be announced

If you are preparing for the exam then you can download [AFCAT previous year paper](#) here!

## AFCAT Admit Card 2023

AFCAT Admit Card 2023 has not been released yet. When it is released, candidates must download it and carry it to the examination center. The admit card is available to download on the official website. Without a hall ticket, candidates will not be able to enter the examination hall.

- The Admit Card will also be mailed to the candidate's registered email id.
- Candidates must have the Username and password they received while applying to download the admit card.
- Once candidates get the admit card, they should check if all their personal details are correct or not. If candidates find any discrepancy in the detail, they should immediately contact and inform the authority.

### [Check Out the Steps to Download the AFCAT Admit Card](#)

## AFCAT Answer Key 2023

The answer key of the AFCAT written test will be published on the official website, 15 days after the completion of the exam. The answer key will consist of all the correct responses to the questions asked in the exam. Candidates must note that they can also raise objections against the [AFCAT answer key](#). There will be a deadline to do so. Along with that, the candidates will also have to pay relevant charges as per the objection raised. The instructions for this process will be released along with the answer key.

## AFCAT Cut Off 2023

The AFCAT releases a cut-off every time along with the result. The candidates who have scored more than the cut-off marks qualify for the SSB stage. Hence, an aspirant must have an idea regarding the cut-off and should try to score at least the cut-off marks. The following are the cut-off marks from previous years.

Year of Examination	AFCAT Cut Off (Out of 300)	EKT Cut Off (Out of 150)
AFCAT (2) 2021	157	18
AFCAT (1) 2021	165	30
AFCAT (2) 2020	155	40
AFCAT (1) 2020	153	40
AFCAT (2) 2019	142	50
AFCAT (1) 2019	133	50
AFCAT (2) 2018	140	55
AFCAT (1) 2018	155	60
AFCAT (2) 2017	160	60

Aspiring candidates must now be having a fair idea and a clear understanding of the AFCAT 2023. Candidates can now start preparing themselves for the exam by undertaking mock tests and series which will help them do better in the examination.

To get the detailed [AFCAT Cut Off](#), candidates can visit the linked article.

## AFCAT Preparation Tips 2023

Before you start your preparations for the AFCAT exam be sure that you read these easy tips that can help you prepare for the examination. These tips are quite basic and easy tricks that often aspirants fail to prioritize while preparing. Every aspirant should include the following tips in their preparation in order to crack the examination.

- Start reading the newspaper daily to check out the current affairs.
- Start practicing sectional questions as per the prescribed syllabus.
- Start preparing notes for important concepts & revise them regularly.
- Solve as many questions as you can from the reasoning section.
- Start learning & revising antonyms and synonyms for verbal proficiency.
- Try to solve a variety of questions along with learning new words.
- Solve previous years' question papers to understand the exam trends.

## AFCAT Previous Year Papers

Solving [AFCAT Previous Year Papers](#) is one of the most preferred ways to prepare for the exam. It will help candidates understand various things related to the exam, like the difficulty level of the exam, the pattern of the exam, the weightage of topics, the type of question, the exact time it takes to attempt the exam, etc. All these things will help you in your exam preparation.

## AFCAT 2023 Books for Preparation

Books are essential for the candidate to study the syllabus topics thoroughly. The below table mentions a detailed list of books to study a specific subject in the AFCAT Syllabus:



Subjects	Title of the Book/Author's Name/Publication
General Awareness	General Knowledge - Lucent
Manorama Yearbook	Malayala Manorama Group
From Plinth to Paramount	KD Publication
Verbal Ability	Objective General English - Dr. RS Aggarwal
Verbal Reasoning	Bhupendra Kumar Singh
Numerical Ability	Quantitative Aptitude for Competitive Examinations - RS Aggarwal/ S Chand Publishing;
Objective Arithmetic	S Chand
Quantitative Aptitude & Data Interpretation	Disha Publication
Reasoning and Military Aptitude	Quantitative Aptitude - S. Chand
Quantitative Aptitude for Competitive Exams	McGraw-Hill Education
AFCAT Overall Preparation Books	AFCAT - For Flying, Technical and Ground Duty Branch - Arihant Experts
AFCAT (Air Force Common Admission Test) Exam Guide: For Flying and Technical Branch (Popular Master Guide)	R.Gupta
Let's Crack AFCAT - Air Force Common Admission Test	SSBCrack
AFCAT Topic Wise Solved Papers(2011-2019)	Disha Experts
AFCAT- The First Step Book	Defence Direct Education

## AFCAT Result 2023

The AFCAT result link will be activated on the official website of AFCAT. The written exam result will help you understand whether you have qualified for the further stage of the selection i.e. AFSB Interview.

### Steps to Check AFCAT Result

The candidates can check their results by logging into the AFCAT official website. The candidates can follow the steps below:

**Step 1:** Go to the direct link given above in the latest updates.

**Step 2:** Enter your Registration ID and Password.

**Step 3:** Carefully enter the CAPTCHA code.

**Step 4:** Your result will be displayed on the screen.

**Step 5:** Download the result in your system and take a printout of the same for future reference.

**Step 6:** Details Mentioned on AFCAT Result

**Step 7:** Alternatively, you can go to the AFCAT Official Website, and go to candidate login.

**Step 8:** And repeat steps 2 to 7 for downloading the AFCAT result.

Hopefully, you found this article on the AFCAT 2023 informative and useful. We have provided the candidates with all the details they require regarding the recruitment. You can also reach out to us in case of any doubts or queries. Candidates can also start preparing for all types of government exams and get quicker access to any required information through our [Testbook App](#).

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