WIZARD: Can I Cast This Spell?

Wizard class levels 1-17 and Cantrips

Consult the Spell Description
- Do you have sufficient casting time?
- Do you have all the spell's components? PHB 201
  - Verbal—Are you able to speak?
  - Somatic—Are you able to make gestures?
  - Material—Do you have all required materials?

Note: You may choose to: (1) use a component pouch PHB 201, if you have access to one, or the materials do not have a cost, or (2) use your spellcasting focus PHB 203 as a substitute for no-cost, unconsumed material components.

You Cannot Cast this Spell.
Secure the required components.

 Spell List PHB 210
All the spells available to the wizard class.

Spells PHB 114
Your personal spell collection: all the ones for which you have discovered arcane instructions for casting.

Prepared (Known) Spells PHB 114
Spells you selected from your spellbook following a long rest and have ready to cast today.

Spell Slots PHB 113
The number and level of spells available for you to cast before resting again. Each casting consumes a spell slot of the required spell level or higher.

Can Arcane Recovery restore a slot of the spell's level or higher?

Is one of the following true?
- You prepared the spell at your most recent study following a long rest.
- The spell is still prepared from a previous long rest.

Do you have a spell slot remaining at the spell's base level or higher?

Take a short rest to use Arcane Recovery.

Have you used Arcane Recovery since your last long rest? PHB 115

You Cannot Cast this Spell as a Ritual
- Cast spell at will. Requires no spell slot or preparation.
- Cantrips?
- Spell attacks PHB 205
Some spells are attacks vs. the target's AC. The attack mod equals your INT modifier + your proficiency bonus. On ranged attacks you roll at disadvantage if any enemy within 5 feet can see you.

Spell Saving Throws PHB 205
If the target of your spell can roll a save to resist its effects, the DC equals 8 + your INT modifier + your proficiency bonus + any additional modifiers.

Cast this Cantrip PHB 201
- No spell slot is consumed.
- Any material component may be consumed; see spell description.

Cast This Spell as a Ritual PHB 201
- You must maintain Concentration during the casting or start over.

Cast this Spell at its
- Base Level or Higher PHB 201
- Cast the spell at its lowest level, or at a higher level if you wish and you have a remaining higher-level slot.
- Slot of chosen level is consumed.
- Any material component may be consumed; see spell description.

You Cannot Cast This Spell
Finish a long rest to recover spell slots.

Spell Scrolls to Dice Rolls: Preparing Your Bag of Tricks
1. Select spells from your spellbook.
   PHB 114 This is the reference tome of spells you have collected. Your book of spells contains the instructions for casting these spells. To actually cast them, you will need to prepare each by studying a selection of spells and having them in mind. Add spells by gaining levels, copying other wizards' spells, or arcane research.

2. Prepare the spells you’ve selected.
   PHB 114 You prepare spells after a long rest by studying your spellbook: one minute per spell. These prepared spells become the ones you know. They are now available to cast using your spell slot. A spell remains prepared until you decide to replace it. Your list of prepared spells can contain this many spells: Wizard level + INT (minimum 1).

3. Cast a prepared spell by expending a spell slot.
   PHB 201 You can cast spells you’ve prepared if you have remaining spell slots of the required level or higher. You can choose to expend these slots on any of the spells you have prepared, including using a higher level slot to cast a lower level spell. Casting a spell consumes a spell slot, but you still know the spell and it remains prepared until you replace it. You can cast it again using another spell slot.

* Wizard class levels 18-20

Consult the Spell Description
1. Is the spell one of your two 1st- or 2nd-level spells you have selected for Spell Mastery?
2. Can you access all the spell's components: Verbal, Somatic & Material?

What is your Wizard class level?
Higher-level wizard have options to cast using Spell Mastery or Signature Spells, PHB 115

You Cannot Cast this Spell.
Obtain the spell for your spellbook; and/or secure the required components.

Is the spell one of the two 1st- or 2nd-level spells you have selected for Spell Mastery?

Do you have the spell prepared?

Have you cast this spell as a Signature Spell since your last short or long rest?

Is the spell one of your two 3rd-level Signature Spells?

Cast Using Level 1-17 Chart

You may cast an unprepared spell if it has the ritual tag: Add 10 minutes casting time, concentration required. PHB 201

Cast Using Spell Mastery PHB 115
You may cast this spell at its lowest level using Spell Mastery without expending a spell slot.

Cast As A Signature Spell PHB 115
Cast at 3rd level without expending a spell slot. This Signature Spell is not available again until you complete a short or long rest.