

SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

Urology

Part One Examination

Examination Format:

1. Part I Examination of Saudi board certificate shall consist of one paper with 150 multiple-choice questions (single best answer out of four options). Up to 10% unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.
2. If any other assessment format is used, the Central Assessment Committee must agree to its implementation.

Passing Score:

1. The passing score is 65%.
2. If the percentage of candidates passing the exam before final approval is less than 70%, the passing score can be lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or a score of 60% whichever comes first. Under no circumstances, may the score can be reduced below 60%.

Suggested References:

- 1- Schwartz Campbell-Walsh urology including clinical decision making, basics of urology surgery, anatomy and physiology of the genitourinary tract.
- 2- Professionalism and Ethics, Handbook for Residents, Practical guide, Prof. James Ware, Dr. Abdulaziz Fahad Alkaabba, Dr. Ghaiath MA Hussein, Prof. Omar Hasan Kasule, SCFHS, Latest Edition.
- 3- Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.

Note:

This list is intended for use as a study aid only. SCFHS does not intend the list to imply endorsement of these specific references, nor are the exam questions necessarily taken solely from these sources.

Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage (%)
1	Anatomy of GU	10 %
2	Trauma / Shock & monitoring ¹	12 %
3	Haemostasis / GU & physiology ²	16 %
4	Infections / inflammation	16 %
5	Wound healing	7 %
6	Oncology /Molecular biology	7 %
7	Patients safety / errors	4 %
8	Basics of urologic surgery	16 %
9	Transplantation	5 %
10	Research & Ethics	7 %
	Total	100%

¹Systemic Response to Injury and Trauma / Shock, and patient monitoring

²Fluids and electrolytes, Haemostasis / GU physiology, Storage and emptying, reproductive and sex physiology

Note:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-3% in each category.
- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. See the SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.

Example Questions

EXAMPLE OF K2 QUESTIONS

Question 1

A 52-year-old man is 5 days post radical cystectomy. He was afebrile until today where he started to run a low grade fever. The rest of his vital signs are normal. On examinations, his chest and abdominal exam were within normal. The sides of the wound are erythematous with yellowish discharges from the lower edge.

Test	Result	Normal Values
WBC	15.0 x 10 ⁹ L	3.9-11.0
Hg	97 g/L	135-180
Creatinine	100 umol/L	65-115

What is the initial step in management?

- A. Do wound culture and wait for the result
- B. Start broad spectrum antibiotic
- C. Open the wound
- D. Observe

EXAMPLE OF K1

Question 2

Which of the following is considered an absolute contraindication to laparoscopic surgery?

- A. Extensive prior abdominal surgery
- B. Retroperitoneal abscess
- C. Aortic aneurysm
- D. Pregnancy