

SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

ENDODONTICS

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:

- Cohen's Pathways of the Pulp, Kenneth Hargreaves Louis Berman.
- Ingle' endodontics, John I. Ingle, Leif K. Bakland, J. Craig Baumgartner.
- Endodontics: Principles and Practice, Mahmoud Torabinejad
- 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.
- Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.
- Crash Courses: Outline of each course including suggested reading references given by the provider.
- Seltzer and Bender's Dental Pulp, Kenneth M. Hargreaves, Harold E. Goodis, Franklin Tay, 2nd Edition.
- Little and Falace's dental management of the medically compromised patient, James W. Little, Craig S. Miller, Nelson L. Rhodus, 9th 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	Pulpal and Periradicular Testing and Diagnosis	10%
2	Intra-canal Medication and Irrigation	10%
3	Pulp Morphology, Access Cavity & W.L Determination	10%
3	Instrumentation and Mechanical Properties of RC Instruments	10%
5	Obturation	6%
6	Pulp Biology	7%
7	Pharmacology	4%
8	Dental Radiology	5%
9	Head and Neck Anatomy and Craniofacial Development and Growth	5%
10	Oral Pathology	5%
11	Medically Compromised	10%
12	Oral Microbiology and Immunology	10%
Research, Ethics and Professionalism and Patient Safety		8%
Total		100%

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

Which of the following nerve fibers is considered a nociceptor?

- A. A-beta
- B. A-delta
- C. A-alpha
- D. A-gamma

EXAMPLE OF K1

Question 2



A 45-year-old woman presented to the emergency endodontic clinic complaining of pain related to the mandibular right first molar with biting. She had a history of intra oral swelling buccally 2 weeks before. The pulp was extirpated 5 months ago. There was an isolated narrow vertical probing depth 7mm distobuccally with normal probing depths in the other areas. The possibility of fracture was excluded (see image).

Which of the following is the most appropriate management?

- A. Root amputation
- B. Endodontic treatment
- C. Endodontic treatment followed by periodontal surgery
- D. Periodontal treatment followed by endodontic treatment