

SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

CARDIAC SURGERY

Part One Examination

Examination Format:

Part I Examination of Saudi board certificate shall consist of one paper with 150 Single Best Answer MCQs. Up to 10% unscored items can be added for pretesting purposes.

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 be reduced below 60%.



Suggested References:

- 1. Kirklin/Barratt-Boyes Cardiac Surgery, 4th Edition
- 2. Sabiston and Spencer Surgery of the Chest, 9e 9th Edition
- 3. Cardiac Surgery in the Adult Fifth Edition.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Essentials of Patient Safety, SCHS, Latest Edition.
- 6. Sabiston Testbook of Surgery by Mark Evers et al (20th edition)

Note:

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Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Cardiovascular and chest anatomy	11%
2	Cardiovascular and chest physiology	11%
3	Principles of inflammation, angiogenesis and wound healing	10%
4	Principles of anaesthesia, and intensive care	10%
5	Perioperative care	13%
6	Principles of perfusion, cardioplegia and hypothermia	10%
7	Adults cardiac surgery	25%
8	Congenital Cardiac Surgery	10%
Total		100%

Note:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-5% in each category.
- Percentages and content are subject to change at any time. Seethe SCFHS website for the most up-to-date information.
- Research, Ethics, Professionalism and Patient Safety are incorporated within various domains.

