



SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY HEAD AND NECK SURGERY

Final Examination

Written Examination:

Exam Format:

A Saudi board final specialty written examination shall consist of two papers each with 100-125 single best answer Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs). Up to 10% unscored MSQs can be added for calibration purposes.

Passing Score:

The passing score is 70%. However, if the percentage of candidates passing the examination before final approval is less than 70%, the passing score must be lowered by one mark at a time aiming at achieving 70% passing rate or 65% passing score whichever comes first. Under no circumstances can the passing score be reduced below 65%.





Suggested References:

- Gleeson MJ, ed. Scott-Brown's Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery. 8th edition. London, England: Hodder Arnold; 2018.
- Johnson JT, Rosen CA, eds. Bailey's Head and Neck Surgery—Otolaryngology. 6th edition. Baltimore, MD: Lippincott Williams and Wilkins; 2022.
- Myers EN. Operative Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery. 2nd edition. Philadelphia, PA: Saunders; 2008.
- Pasha R, Golub JS. Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery: Clinical Reference Guide. 6th edition. San Diego, CA: Plural Publishing; 2022.
- Lee KJ, ed. Essential Otolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery. 12th edition. New York, NY: McGraw-Hill; 2019.
- Flint PW, Haughey BH, Lund VJ, et al. Cumming's Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery 7th edition. Philadelphia, PA: Mosby; 2020.
- 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.

Note:

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Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Basic Clinical Science	10%
2	General and Emergency	17%
3	Head and Neck	14%
5	Neurotology / Otology / Audiology	17%
6	Rhinology and Allergy	14%
7	Pediatric and Laryngology	18%
8	Plastic / Reconstruction	10%
Total		100%

Notes

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

