



SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

OPHTHALMOLOGY

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:

- American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO) Basic and Clinical Science Course (BCSC) Sections 1-14; 2017-2018.
- Jack Kanski, Brad Bowling. Kanski's Clinical Ophthalmology: A Systematic Approach. 8th edition Saunders Elsevier's Health Sciences. ISBN 978-0-7020-5572-0.
- Myron Yanoff, Jay Duker (2018) Ophthalmology, 5th edition. Elsevier.
- Kenneth Wright, Peter Spiegel (2003). Pediatric ophthalmology and strabismus. Springer-Verlag New York.
- 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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Final Written Exam Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Anterior segment (including Lens, Cornea, External eye, Optics, Refraction and Refractive surgery)	25%
2	Glaucoma	12%
3	Retina	15%
4	Pediatric Ophthalmology	15%
5	Oculoplastic	15%
6	Neuro-ophthalmology	10%
7	Uveitis	8%
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.

