



SAUDI BOARD RESIDENCY TRAINING PROGRAM

DIAGNOSTIC RADIOLOGY

Promotion Examination

Written Examination Format:

- A written examination consists of 25 questions, the exam for fourth year resident as SAQ (short assay questions).
- The examination shall contain type K2 questions (interpretation, analysis, reasoning and decision making) and type K1 questions (recall and comprehension).
- The examination shall include basic concepts and clinical topics relevant to the specialty.
- Anatomy questions; include the normal anatomy, mark-lines and normal variants. Materials and Technical questions; including material properties, usage, and selection of instruments and equipment used as well as the technical errors & artefacts. Health maintenance questions; include health promotion, disease prevention, risk factors assessment, and prognosis. Diagnosis and investigation questions; include the possible diagnosis and diagnostic methods. Management questions; including clinical management, either therapeutic or non-therapeutic.





Passing Score:

The trainee's performance is assessed in each of the evaluation formulas according to the following scoring system:

Score	Less than 50%	50% – 59.4%	60% - 69.4%	More than 70%
Description	Clear Fail	Borderline Fail	Borderline Pass	Clear Pass

1. To upgrade the trainee from a training level to the next level, she/he must obtain at least a **Borderline Pass** in each evaluation form.
2. The program director may recommend to the local supervision committee to request the promotion of the trainee who did not meet the previous promotion requirement according to the following:
 - A. In case that the trainee gets a **Borderline Fail** result in one of the evaluation forms, the remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least one of them.
 - B. In case that the trainee gets a **Borderline Fail** result in two of the evaluation forms to a maximum, provided they do not fall under the same theme (Knowledge, Attitude, Skills). The remaining evaluation forms must be passed with **Clear Pass** in at least two of them.
 - C. The promotion must be approved in this case by the scientific council for the specialization.





Blueprint Outlines:

No.	R4 Section	Percentage
1	Neuroradiology	11%
2	Head and neck	5%
3	Musculoskeletal	11%
4	Chest imaging	12%
5	Cardiovascular Imaging	5%
6	Gastrointestinal	11%
7	Genitourinary	8%
8	Vascular & Interventional	5%
9	Nuclear Medicine	8%
10	Breast Imaging	8%
11	Pediatrics	11%
12	Radiology Basic science	5%
Total		100%

Notes:

- Blueprint distributions of the examination may differ up to +/-5% in each category.
- 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.





Suggested References:

- <https://www.scfhs.org.sa/en/MESPS/Documents/General%20Bylaws%20of%20Training%20in%20Postgraduate%20Programs.pdf>
- <https://www.scfhs.org.sa/examinations/DocLib/%D8%A7%D9%84%D9%82%D9%88%D8%A7%D8%B9%D8%AF%20%D8%A7%D9%84%D8%AA%D9%86%D9%81%D9%8A%D8%B0%D9%8A%D8%A9%20%D9%84%D9%84%D8%AA%D9%82%D9%8A%D9%8A%D9%85%201440%20Nov%202018.pdf>

Crash Courses:

Outline of each course including suggested reading references given by the provider.

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.

