SAUDI DIPLOMA TRAINING PROGRAM

CARDIAC CARE NURSING

Final Examination

Exam Format:

The Saudi subspecialty fellowship and diplomas final written examination shall consist of one paper with 80-120 multiple choice questions (single best answer out of four options). 20 % unscored items can be added for pretesting 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%.



Blueprint Outlines:

No.	Sections	Percentage
1	Cardiac nursing: assessment, planning, and managing care	6%
2	Cardiovascular pharmacology	6%
3	Cardiovascular disease promotion, prevention, and rehabilitation	6%
4	Alteration in the Cardiovascular System I	6%
5	Basic ECG interpretation	6%
6	Alteration in the Cardiovascular System II	36%
7	Advanced ECG interpretation	26%
8	Nursing leadership and management	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.



Suggested References:

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- 5. Ford, S (2018). Roach'S Introductory Clinical Pharmacology (11th edition). Wolter's Kluwer.
- 6. Smith, B. (2018). Pharmacology for Nurses (2nd ed.). Jones and Bartlett Learning.
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Note:

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