



Saudi Licensure Examination  
Neurosurgery

EXAMINATION CONTENT GUIDELINE



## EXAMINATION MODEL

### Blueprint outlines:

Evaluation Item	Sections	Percentage (%)
(200 MCQs, 4 hours)	1. Neurovascular	10%
	2. Neuro-oncology	10%
	3. Neurotrauma	10%
	4. Pediatric Neurosurgery	10%
	5. Spine	10%
	6. Functional Neurosurgery	7%
	7. Peripheral Nerves Surgery	7%
	8. General Neurosurgical Principles	10%
	9. Neuroanatomy & Neurophysiology	6%
	10. Neuropathology/Neuroradiology & Neurology	10%
	11. Research & Ethics	5%
	12. Patient Safety	5%

### Note:

#### Passing Score

Registrar: 65%

Senior Registrar: 70%

- 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.

## References

- Youman's Neurological Surgery latest edition. Seventh Edition.
- Schmidek and Sweet: Operative Neurosurgical Techniques: 6th Edition.
- Handbook of Neurosurgery by Mark Greenberg: 8th Edition.
- Neuropathology: A Reference Text of CNS Pathology: by David Ellison and Seth. 3rd Edition.
- Barr's The Human Nervous System by John Kiernan: 10th Edition.
- WHO Classification of Tumors of the Central Nervous System. The International Agency for Research on Cancer. Latest edition. 2016.
- Rhoton's Cranial Anatomy and Surgical Approaches by Albert Rhoton. One Edition.
- 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.

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