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ELIGIBILITY EXAMINATION

I CONTENT AND FORMAT

The examination consists of three (3) books, each with 120 multiple-choice type questions. Each book is given in a 120 minute examination session during a single day. There will be a one (1) hour break between each examination session.

Outlined below are the content areas that may be tested. Examples of questions are provided as a reference and study guide.

Book 1

a. Foundation Science knowledge as it relates to:

- human anatomy and physiology
- human histology
- biochemistry
- microbiology and immunology
- oral physiology
- tooth morphology, growth and development of the craniofacial complex
- pain and pain management
- biological effects of radiation
- dental biomaterials
- nutrition

b. Pharmacology

Books 2 & 3

Applied Clinical Sciences knowledge as it relates to:

- general medicine and general pathology
- oral medicine and oral pathology
- radiology
- periodontics
- preventive dentistry
- operative dentistry
- endodontics
- prosthodontics
- orthodontics
- pediatric dentistry
- geriatric dentistry
- oral and maxillofacial surgery
- oral facial and dental trauma
- therapeutics
- behavioural sciences
- dental public health (epidemiology and population health)
- ethics
- pain and anxiety control including local anesthetics
- assessment of scientific literature

II **SCHEDULE**

Registration	7:30 a.m.
Book I	8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Book II	11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Book III	2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

III **IDENTIFICATION**

Candidates will receive a photo identification (ID) card on the day of the examination. Candidates must have the ID card visible at all times and must return the card to the Test Administrator at the end of the examination. Candidates who fail to return their identification card may receive a zero "0" score for the examination.

IV **EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS**

For each examination section, you will receive an examination book with your **NAME**, **CANDIDATE IDENTIFICATION** number, **SEAT** number and a book **VERSION** number. Below is an illustration of the examination book cover showing the location of the required identification information.



ELIGIBILITY EXAMINATION

BOOK I

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(120 minute paper)

VERSION 2

*Book Version Number –
enter on answer score sheet*

SEAT # 23

*Seat Number –
do NOT enter on
answer score sheet*

*ID Number – enter on
answer score sheet*

123456
SANCHEZ, TOMAS

1. On the answer score sheet enter your NAME, your assigned CANDIDATE ID NUMBER and your examination book VERSION NUMBER in the indicated areas on the answer score sheet.
2. Each question in the book is followed by a choice of answers. Select one answer only. Record your answer on the score sheet using a standard (wood) lead pencil (No. 2 or HB). Mechanical pencils are not allowed in the examination area. Make heavy black marks that fill the circle completely. Make sure that the circle of your choice is filled in completely.
3. If you change your answer, make sure that the original mark is thoroughly erased. Use a standard block eraser; mechanical erasers are not allowed in the examination area.
4. Always choose the MOST appropriate answer for each question.
5. The lowest score for any question is “0” (zero).
6. The examination book as well as the answer score sheet must be returned. If the examination book (or any part of the book) or the answer score sheet is not returned, a zero “0” score will be given for the examination. No test items are to be copied or notes taken. Use of any notes or recording of notes is prohibited and will be considered as compromising the integrity of the examination.
7. You may write in the book to assist yourself in answering the questions. Your grade, however, will depend upon the answers recorded on the answer score sheet. Please ensure the accuracy of transfer of answers onto the score sheet.
8. The transfer of answers to the computer score sheet MUST be completed within the examination session time. Additional time will not be allowed.
9. The FDI two digit tooth numbering system (below) is used in all examinations.

FDI NUMBERING SYSTEM

Permanent Dentition

1.8	1.7	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.2	1.1		2.1	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.7	2.8
4.8	4.7	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.2	4.1		3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8
RIGHT									LEFT							

Primary Dentition

5.5	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.1		6.1	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.5
8.5	8.4	8.3	8.2	8.1		7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5
RIGHT						LEFT				

V **SAMPLE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS TO ILLUSTRATE EXAMINATION FORMAT :**

1. Which of the following participate in clot formation?

- A. Platelets.
- B. Monocytes.
- C. Lymphocytes.
- D. Leukocytes.

ANSWER:

2. A laboratory fabricated composite resin inlay compared to a direct composite resin restoration has increased

- A. colour stability.
- B. surface smoothness.
- C. control of polymerization shrinkage.
- D. bondability to tooth structure.

ANSWER:

Other sample questions can be found on the ACFD/AFDC web site at <http://www.acfd.ca>

VI **REFERENCE TEXTS**

A list of textbooks and references commonly used in DDS/DMD programs can be found on the ACFD/AFDC web site at <http://www.acfd.ca>

VII **EXAMINATION REGULATIONS**

1. Candidates must be punctual for all sessions of the examination. Candidates arriving late for an examination session may not be admitted.
2. Family or friends must NOT accompany a candidate as space at the examination centre is provided ONLY for candidates and staff.
3. Candidates must not bring recording devices, radios, cameras, portable telephones, pagers or other electronic aids/devices into the examination room.
4. Candidates may NOT use dictionaries, calculators or other informative material.
5. Food and/or drink are not allowed in the examination room unless special consideration for medical reasons has been granted in advance by the ACFD/AFDC office. The request must include a medical certificate signed by a physician indicating the diagnosis and accommodation measures required.
6. The ability of a candidate to read, interpret and comply with instructions and other written material is part of the examination. Test Administrators and invigilators will not answer questions involving examination content.
7. Once the examination is in progress, any candidate who leaves the examination room for any reason, including the use of washroom facilities, WILL NOT be allowed to re-enter unless special consideration for medical reasons has been granted, in advance, by the ACFD/AFDC office. Requests must include a medical certificate signed by a physician indicating the diagnosis and accommodation measures required.
8. Candidates requiring special examination accommodation due to diagnosed medical conditions must request special consideration in writing to the ACFD/AFDC office within two weeks of receipt of confirmation of registration in the examination. This request must include a medical certificate signed by a physician indicating the diagnosis and accommodation measures required.
9. Candidates are prohibited from copying or otherwise obtaining answers from any other candidate; from providing answers to any other candidate; and, from talking or otherwise disrupting the conduct of the examination. Candidates are responsible for ensuring that their answers are not visible to other candidates. Candidates must be aware that the ACFD/AFDC uses a software program to identify suspicious answer similarities between pairs of candidates and may void the results of both candidates involved in suspicious occurrences identified by the software program.
10. Candidates must stop writing and hand in the examination book and answer score sheet at the indicated time. The transfer of answers from examination books to computer score sheets MUST be completed within the examination session time. Additional time will not be allowed.

11. Candidates are prohibited from removing test material including identification cards, examination books and answer score sheets from the examination room, and from copying or making notes of any test item. Candidates must return all test material including identification cards, examination books and answer score sheets at the completion of each examination or upon the direction of the Test Administrator.
12. Candidates are reminded that all examination material is copyrighted. Any attempt to reproduce or assemble ACFD/AFDC examination material is strictly prohibited and will be prosecuted.
13. Candidates who do not abide by the above Examination Regulations will receive a zero "0" score for the examination.
14. Within three months of the release of the results of the examination, candidates may apply to the ACFD/AFDC to have their answer score sheets manually checked against the answer key. Any such application for review must be accompanied by a filing fee as set by the ACFD/AFDC. Upon verification, the mark for the candidate will be that produced by the manual check.
15. A candidate who considers himself or herself disadvantaged either immediately before or during the examination by a personal circumstance beyond the candidate's control may, within one week of the event beyond the candidate's control occurring, request that the ACFD/AFDC Board make a special consideration to void the results of the examination by permitting the candidate to withdraw from the examination. The candidate may also request special consideration for a refund of up to 50% of the examination fee.

VIII **RESULTS**

1. In order to assure the consistency of scores on all versions of the examination, the ACFD/AFDC uses a test equating procedure. This procedure correlates a standardized reference examination with the current version of the examination. Candidates should also be aware that each examination contains a number of questions that are being pilot tested and that these questions may not contribute to any candidate score.
2. The results of the Eligibility Examination will be sent to candidates by regular mail normally within six weeks following completion of the examination. Candidates must notify the ACFD/AFDC office of any change of address.

Results will not be released by telephone, fax or email.

3. The results of the Eligibility Examination will be sent to universities in Canada offering a Qualifying or Degree Completion Program.
4. Results may not be obtained from educational institutions.