

Pharmaceutical Society NI guidance on annotating reference sources for the Registration Examination

The Pharmaceutical Society NI has issued the following guidance to ensure trainees and invigilators are clear as to what is acceptable annotation for the open book registration examination:

“There must be no additional notes or annotations (hand-written or typed) on any reference source a candidate brings into the Open Book Examination. Books may be tabbed (with section tab references written on the tab) and information highlighted only.”

No additional comments or notes may be added to the text. Prior to and during the course of the registration examination invigilators may check reference sources. Any additional material will be removed from the trainee and an incident report completed and submitted to the Pharmaceutical Society NI.

Bringing non recommended text or additional material into the open book examination is serious a breach of exam regulations and may result in a trainee being failed.

Calculators for open book examination

Calculators may be used in the open book examination provided they are not mobile phone calculators and only have simple calculation facilities including a square root function (i.e. **NOT** scientific calculators).