

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF NORTHERN IRELAND

OPEN BOOK – example of examination instructions

The following reference sources are permitted in this examination:

British National Formulary
BNF for children
Drug Tariff (Northern Ireland)
The Code
Professional Standards and Guidance, Pharmaceutical Society NI

It is the candidate's responsibility to have the relevant edition of these reference sources.
They will not be provided.



CANDIDATE'S EXAMINATION NO.

OPEN BOOK EXAMINATION

INSTRUCTIONS

Candidates are requested to read the following instructions carefully before beginning the examination.

Calculators with simple calculation facilities may be used. Use of calculators on mobile phones, smart phones or other similar devices is not permitted.

Answering questions

The examination is in two sections.

Section A (Calculation Questions) consists of 20 questions and candidates should attempt all questions. The format of the questions is the same throughout this section, each question consisting of a statement which may be True (T) or False (F). Each question carries equal marks.

Section B consists of 30 questions and candidates should attempt all questions. The format of the questions is the same throughout this section, each question consisting of a statement followed by four stems which may be True (T) or False (F). Each stem carries equal marks.

Marking System

- There is no negative marking.
- Section A (20 calculation questions) has a pass mark of 80%
- Section B (30 multiple choice questions) has a pass mark of 70%
- There is no compensation between the sections
- There is no compensation between the Open book examination paper and the Closed book examination paper

Multiple Choice Answer Sheet

- You **MUST** enter all your answers onto the examination paper provided.
- **Only answers entered on the examination paper will be marked.**
- It is important that you complete the examination paper using a black ball-point pen or a thin felt tip.
- If you make an error, you must completely black out the square and indicate your new answer.

Both the examination paper and the working booklet must be handed in at the end of the examination.

Please write your examination number on top of the examination paper and the working booklet.

Note - The questions relate to patients who take no additional medicines and have no conditions other than those indicated in the question.

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SECTION A

You may use the space provided for your workings. **ALL ANSWERS MUST BE WRITTEN ON YOUR EXAMINATION PAPER.**