

Registration Examination 2019

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Dear Trainee,

The purpose of this communication is to provide you with important information about the Registration Examination.

You need to read the additional information relating to the examination provided in the [Pre-registration Training Manual](#) and on the [Pharmaceutical Society website](#). You should also read the requirements for the registration examination as outlined in the relevant section in the [Standards for Pre-registration Training](#).

Key dates

The 2019 Registration Examinations will be held on:

- **Thursday 6 June 2019** – Elmwood Hall (QUB), Elmwood Mews, Belfast BT9 6BD
- **Tuesday 1 October 2019** - Society House, 73 University Street, Belfast BT7 1HL.

Applying to sit the Registration Examination

You must apply to sit the Registration Examination. The [Examination Entry Form](#) can be accessed using this link. It can also be downloaded from the [Registration Examination](#) section of the website.

The Registration Examination Fee for 2019 is **£174**, payable by [debit card](#) or by cheque (cheques should be made payable to Pharmaceutical Society NI).

The form and fee must be received by the following deadlines:

- 01 May 2019 for the June examination
- 01 September 2019 for the October examination

Pre-registration Syllabus

The [Pre-registration Syllabus](#) is provided to help you prepare for the examination.

Open Book reference sources

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the permitted reference sources and that they are the correct edition. Further information on permitted resources is available using this link [Permitted Reference Sources - Open Book Examination](#).

You are responsible for preparing a folder for the Open Book which contains only the permitted sources and bringing it with you on the day of the exam.

References for the Open Book paper will not be provided.

Sample Questions

A set of sample questions, including 2 set of calculation questions, will be provided in the resource section of the e-portfolio on 22 March 2018. Sample questions are provided to demonstrate the format and the type of multiple choice questions used. It is important to understand that a range questions with varying difficulty may appear in the examination.

The examination instructions that you receive on the day of the registration examination are available on our website. Please ensure that you read and understand the instructions for both the [Open Book](#) and [Closed Book](#) paper examinations.

Permitted Calculators

For the calculation section of the open book paper, only calculators with simple calculation facilities may be used. Scientific calculators or use of calculators on mobile phones, smart phones or other similar devices is not permitted.

An example of the type of calculator permitted can be accessed using this link:
<http://www.psn.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/Calculator-Example-180515.pdf>

Information for candidates about GDPR

As you will already be aware, legislation relating to data protection changed when the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force on 25 May 2018. This new legislation replaces the previous legislation, (Data Protection Act 1998).

The Professional Standards and Guidance for 'Patient Confidentiality' is currently being revised to reflect the change in legislation. However, the new version of this document will not be published in time before the June and October examination.

Candidates are asked to note that when reading the current guidance on patient confidentiality, and when reference is made to the Data Protection regulation (1988), candidates are advised to consider this document in light of the new General Data Protection Regulation instead of the previous Data Protection Act 1988, which no longer applies.

Further information about GDPR is provided in the e-learning module that you completed earlier in the year.

Regards

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