



Online OSCE FAQs

Before the exam

What will the format of the exam be?

The exam will take place over two assessments. The first exam will last 40 minutes and consist of four scenario-based stations. Candidates will be required to describe verbally the steps they would take to complete a procedure or give patient advice via Zoom. There will be no actors present during the exam, however, an NEBDN Examiner will be present.

The second exam is an online workbook which consists of seven stations accessed using the MaxExam app. The format this will take, for example, will be questions where candidates will be asked to select the correct instruments for a certain procedure, to put the steps of process in the correct order and interpreting dental charts. Candidates will be given a maximum of 1 hour to complete this workbook.

Will the Zoom calls be recorded?

Yes, the Zoom calls will be recorded for marking purposes. The recordings will be stored, retrieved and removed in line with our GDPR obligations.

Do we need to be dressed in clinical uniform?

No, candidates are not required to be in a clinical uniform. NEBDN understands that some candidates may be completing the exam in the workplace.

Do we need any materials available?

No, candidates will not be required to have any dental materials to hand as the exam will be assessed online and it is not possible to demonstrate the use of materials.

Do we need to be in a clinical set up or is it possible to do it at home?

Online assessment provides the flexibility for candidates to complete their exam in the workplace or at home. Candidates do not need to be a clinical environment as they will not be asked to demonstrate any procedures during the exam.



How will candidates display their knowledge?

Candidates will be required to demonstrate the application of their knowledge through describing or explaining the steps of a procedure or the advice they would give to a patient.

Do you have any information with regard the subjects that candidates should revise?

It is not possible for NEBDN to provide information regarding specific questions, however, candidates are expected to demonstrate a good understand of the topics covered in the curriculum.

During the exam

Will candidate's IDs be checked?

Yes, IDs will be checked at the start of the Zoom call. NEBDN only accepts the following forms of valid photographic identification:

- Passport
- Photographic driving licence (including provisional licence)
- Armed forces identity card
- Citizen card
- Workplace issued identity card
- SMART card
- Electoral identity card
- NUS (National Union of Students) photographic identity card
- University or College photographic identity cards
- Validate UK ID card PASS (Proof of Age Standards Scheme)
- ID card (i.e. Young Scot, OneID4U)
- Biometric Residence Permit or Residence Card



PLEASE NOTE: If the name you have registered with us does not match the name on your photographic identification, you must be able to produce confirmation of your name (for example, a photocopy of your marriage certificate).

Will candidates see the questions before the Zoom stations?

Yes, candidate will have sufficient time allocated to read through the questions prior to answering them.

Can I have a pen and paper with me during the exam?

Yes, candidates are permitted to use a pen and paper during the examination to make notes.

What happens if I lose internet connection when in the Zoom call?

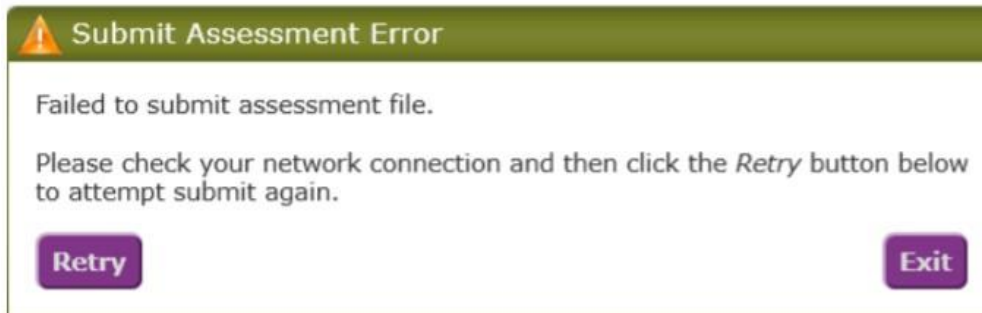
If you lose internet connection during your exam please **do not panic!**

Try and reconnect to your internet and log back into the Zoom call using the log in details provided. If you cannot successfully reconnect please call 01772 429917.

What happens if I lose internet connection when completing the workbook?

If you lose internet connection during your exam please **do not panic!**

Internet connection is required at the beginning and end of the examination. If your internet connection is lost during the exam please continue to answer the questions as normal as the data will still be recorded in the application. Usually after a few minutes your internet connection should reconnect without intervention. If you cannot submit your assessment at the end of your exam you will receive the following error message:



Click **Retry** once and if the connection is not successful click **Exit**. You will then need to reconnect your internet and log back into the exam app. Upon logging in to the app it will automatically submit your assessment.

How will I know how much time I have left in the workbook?

In the bottom right hand corner of your screen, the time remaining in the exam will start to count down as soon as you click **START**.

How do I finish the exam and submit my answers?

Once you have finished the exam and are ready to submit your assessment you will need to click on the **MENU** button. This can be found at the bottom of the screen in the middle.

Once you click this you will be given several options. To submit your exam, you will need to click the top button which is **FINISH EXAM**.