2020 WREB EXAM PROCEDURES

Exam Procedures
The 2020 WREB Dental exam consists of the following required sections: Operative, Endodontics, and Comprehensive Treatment Planning (CTP). The Periodontal section remains part of the exam and is included in the full exam fee but is not a required part of the exam. The Candidate may opt out during registration if the state to which they are applying for initial licensure does not require this procedure. The Periodontal section is not a required section of the WREB exam, but there is no additional fee to take it. An optional Prosthodontic section is also offered, if the state to which a Candidate is applying for initial licensure requires it. The Prosthodontic Section is not a required section of the WREB exam, but there is no additional fee to take it.

WREB Candidates come from a large geographical area and a diverse educational background; WREB does not look for any one standard for procedures. Grading Examiners score according to the criteria found in the Candidate Guide. Reading and understanding the scoring criteria will assist you in successfully completing the procedures.

Operative
The Operative Section is a WREB required section that is performed on a live patient, subject to acceptance criteria. The Candidate may complete up to two procedures to demonstrate competence on the Operative Section.

A Class II must be completed to pass the WREB exam:
- Direct Posterior Class II Composite Restoration (MO, DO or MOD)

A second procedure, if required, may be any of the following:
- Direct Posterior Class II Composite Restoration (MO, DO or MOD)
- Direct Posterior Class II Amalgam Restoration (MO, DO or MOD)
- A Direct Anterior Class III Composite Restoration (ML, DL, MF, DF)

If the Candidate is successful, (3.00 or higher), on the first procedure, the section is passed, with no need to complete another procedure. If the first procedure scores below a 3.00, the Candidate may proceed with a second procedure, which will be averaged with the first procedure. For states requiring two Operative procedures, Candidates will have the option to complete a second procedure, even if the first procedure scored above a 3.00. The average of the two procedures must be 3.00 or higher to pass the section. If a second procedure is completed and the average scores below 3.00, the attempt is completed and reported as failing. In this instance, the Candidate must pay to retake the full Operative section at a different site. No onsite retakes are available for Operative.

Periodontal
The Periodontal Section consists of Initial Phase Treatment, S/RP, on a live patient, subject to acceptance criteria. Candidates will have the choice to opt out of the Periodontal Section during registration if the state to which they are applying for initial licensure does not require this procedure.

Orientation Day:
- School Tour
- Candidate Orientation, Q & A
- Candidate packet distribution
- *Prosthodontics exam

Clinic Day 1:
- 1st full clinic day
- Endodontics exam
- *Prosthodontics exam at some sites

Clinic Day 2:
- 2nd full clinic day
- Endodontics exam
- *Prosthodontics exam at some sites

Clinic Day 3:
- 3rd clinic day, open clinic ends at 11 am
- Retakes for Endodontics and Prosthodontics (exact times will be provided on individual Candidate schedule)

*Some sites will not offer the Prosthodontics exam on Orientation Day. It will be held on Clinic Days 1 and 2. Refer to the online exam schedule and Site Information for details.
Comprehensive Treatment Planning (CTP) Exam

The Comprehensive Treatment Planning (CTP) examination is a computer-based written examination administered by Prometric Testing Centers. The exam consists of three (3) patient cases of varying complexity, one of which is a pediatric patient. For each case, Candidates assess patient history, photographs, radiographs, and clinical information.

Candidates will create and submit a treatment plan, and then answer questions or perform tasks related to each case. Candidates are allowed three (3) hours to complete the CTP exam. A 15-minute tutorial is provided prior to the beginning of the examination.

Once enrolled in a clinical exam, the Candidate will receive information regarding scheduling the CTP exam. This exam will be taken at a Prometric Testing Center in the fall. Candidates will be given a timeframe of approximately 45-60 days to take the exam. Windows are pre-assigned based on the site where the Candidate will take the Clinical Exam.

Endodontics

This is a required section and will be completed on simulated teeth. Teeth mounted in sextants and preoperative radiographs will be provided to Candidates by WREB upon arrival in the simulation lab.

Candidates are required to place and maintain the manikin in correct patient treatment position and remain articulated in correct vertical dimension. Universal precautions and a rubber dam are required for all Endodontic treatment. Candidates are allotted three (3) hours to complete their treatment and postoperative radiographs. The sextants and radiographs are then submitted for calibrated examiner scoring to published criteria. Candidates are allotted a thirty (30) minute set up period prior to the start of the exam.

Required Endodontic procedures:
- Anterior–Graded on Access and Condensation
- Posterior– Graded on Access only

Onsite Retakes

Candidates with a failing result in Endodontics, Prosthodontics, or Periodontal Treatment may have the opportunity to retake the failed section onsite at the same exam. This eligibility will depend on each Candidate’s scheduled sections and individual time constraints. Candidates that have certain critical errors, are dismissed from the exam, or require remediation will not be eligible for an onsite retake. There is no additional fee for an onsite retake. If, for any reason, the section is not retaken onsite, the Candidate must pay to retake the section at a different exam site. Onsite retakes for Endodontics and Prosthodontics are scheduled on Clinic Day 3 only. Onsite retakes for Periodontal treatment may be attempted any time during open clinic time on Clinic Days 2 or 3.

Prosthodontics

This is an optional section. Candidates can choose to opt into the Prosthodontic Section during registration if the state to which they are applying for initial licensure requires this procedure. The Prosthodontic section is not part of the WREB Dental Examination unless the Candidate adds it at the time of application.

The Prosthodontic Section consists of simulated preparation of two abutments to support a posterior three-unit fixed partial denture prosthesis and preparation of an anterior tooth for a full-coverage ceramic crown. The Prosthodontic preparations are completed in a single day during a time slot assigned for this purpose. Candidates are allotted three and one-half (3.5) hours to complete their prosthodontic preparations and are given thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of the exam to set up their unit, mount their arches and prepare to begin.