EBSQ UPPER GASTROINTESTINAL SURGERY LOGBOOK REQUIREMENTS

The individual logbooks are scrutinized in the Eligibility process of the EBSQ Examination.

The minimal Eligibility requirement for a UEMS UGI Surg qualification is a proven number of 800 credit points for interventions and / or procedures, endoscopies and operations (categories A + B + C).

For each intervention (A) as principal surgeon /endoscopy (B) as principal surgeon or operation (C) performed by the candidate as assistant 1 credit point is given.

For each operation (C) performed by the candidate as principal surgeon (the principal surgeon is the person who performs the majority of the essential steps of the procedure) 2 credit points are given.

At least 50% of the total number of 800 credit points have to be achieved as principal surgeon. This means, that a total of 400 interventions/procedures/endoscopies/operations (categories A + B + C) are the minimum requirement of operations performed as principal surgeon.

	Upper GI	Thorax
A. Interventions, Procedures	n=100	n=100
B. Endoscopies	n=365	n=365
C. Operations (total)	n=315	n=315
Thorax	n=80	n=210
Abdomen (major resections)	n=210	n=80
Minimal invasive endoscopical procedures	n=25	n=25

For pragmatic reasons provisional arrangements are provided to enhance the qualification until the complete European harmonization of surgical training is achieved.

These provisional arrangements allow a range of different compensations to consider various national and/or individual situations:

SOP: Provisional arrangements

Category A: Interventions & Procedures

If the candidate is not able to present a detailed LOG-book on category A or B "Interventions, Procedures and Endoscopy" a formal confirmation signed by 2 independent experts about the candidate's experience in this category may be accepted. In this case the minimum number (n=280 credit points) for category A/B has to be supplemented in category C.

Category B: Flexible Endoscopy





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If flexible endoscopy is not performed by the UGI surgeon in a specific country, category B may be omitted for the individual candidate. In this case the minimum number (n=220 credit points) for category B has to be supplemented in category C

Category A and B: The 60% rule

The total number of 280 credit points for the Categories A and B resp. is mandatory. Within the Categories A and B at least 60% (e.g. ex. 36 MDT and 190 gastroduodenoscopies) have to be reached.

Category C: The 75% Rule

The total number of 400 credit points (category C) is mandatory. At least 200 points in cat. 1 B, 1 C and 2 A as principal surgeon. Within each of the 3 subcategories stated under C the particular total number has to be reached at least to 75%. Numeric deficits in one or more subcategories have to be compensated by higher numbers in other groups.