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EBSQ “Polytrauma Management and Trauma Surgery of the Trunk” Examination

Examination organisation & rules

To apply for certification as a Fellow of the European Board of Surgery in Polytrauma Management and Trauma Surgery of the Trunk (FEBS Trauma Surgery), a candidate must undergo a two-step quality validation process: Eligibility and Examination.

Eligibility is a prerequisite for Examination.

Reapplication is possible for the eligibility process and/or the examination.

Eligibility requirements

Candidates must attach the following documents to their online registration on the UEMS Surgery platform:

- signed declaration form
- recent photograph of yourself
- copy of your passport
- curriculum vitae
- recommendation letter of 2 experts in the field of trauma care, who are not the trainers of the candidate
- certificate of completion of specialist training in Surgery or Trauma surgery



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- completed and signed Logbook(s)
- completed and signed “EBSQ polytrauma management and trauma surgery of the trunk training curriculum” document
- documents for 12 credit points (see point 10 of eligibility criteria)
- certificate of completion of ATLS® course or an equivalent approved course.
- certificate of completion of a Definitive Surgical Trauma Care (DSTC®) course or an equivalent approved course

Examination fees

The fees for the EBSQ certificate in Polytrauma Management and Trauma Surgery of the Trunk are divided as follows:

- Eligibility fee of 300 euros, non-refundable if the candidate is not eligible or submits an incomplete application, and
- Examination fee of 600 euros; the resit fee in case of failure is also of 600 euros.

The eligibility fee is to be paid when the candidate registers for the certification.

The examination fee should be paid once the eligibility of the candidate has been confirmed, to finalise the registration of the candidate for the examination.

There are no refunds for candidates who fail the examination. If a candidate has paid for the examination and does not attend the examination there will be no refund.

Examination format



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The EBSQ Examination on Polytrauma Management and Trauma Surgery of the Trunk, organised by the UEMS Division of Trauma Surgery consists of 3 parts:

- a written exam in the form of Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQ) (30 minutes)
- oral “viva voce” examination. Candidates will be asked to analyse history and actual problems of real patients. Candidates will also be given laboratory investigations, x-rays and scans to interpret. There will be a structured debate between examiners and candidate on how to solve the problems of the patients (30 minutes)
- analysis and interpretation of a recent publication (without abstract) in an international, peer-reviewed journal (30 minutes).

Reference books for the examination are:

Textbook of Polytrauma management. A multidisciplinary approach. Third Edition. Hans-Christoph Pape, Joseph Borelli Jr., Ernest Moore, Roman Pfeifer, Philip Stahel (Editors) Springer 2022.

ISBN 978-3-030-95905-0 e-ISBN 978-3-030-95906-7

and

2 volumes of the series **"European Manual of Medicine"** of Springer.

Trauma Surgery I ISBN 978-3-540-88121-6 e-ISBN 978-3-540-88122-3

Trauma Surgery II ISBN 978-3-540-88123-0 e-ISBN 978-3-540-88124-7

Hans-Jörg Oestern, Otmar Trentz and Selman Uranues (Editors).

Further reading is recommended



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FEBS Trauma Surgery

Candidates who are successful in the Examination will be awarded the title “Fellow of the European Board of Surgery in Trauma Surgery – FEBS Trauma Surgery”.

A UEMS fellowship (FEBS) represents a high-level validated quality-controlled process and reflects certain knowledge and skills of a candidate. The title Fellow of the European Board of Surgery in Trauma Surgery (FEBS Trauma Surgery) confirms that the holder has successfully demonstrated knowledge and skills in Trauma Surgery.

The FEBS Trauma Surgery qualification has no automatic legal recognition in the E.U. or in any other country. Individual recognition of qualifications by national authorities is supported by the EBSQ committee and is being adopted by an increasing number of countries. The fellowship of itself does not imply an automatic right to independent practice nor does it automatically enhance participation in national social security systems of the E.U. The future perspective of this European diploma is to be seen in unanimous legalization within the ongoing project of the European harmonization process of medical education.

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