

Summary of Changes 2025 Dental Examination

Simulated Patient Based Examination

Part I Diagnosis and Comprehensive Treatment Planning (DCTP) written OSCE exam:

No changes

Part II Endodontics:

CRDTS will be utilizing the ModuPRO OS3 (EP) model for the endodontic examination. This model uses the M300 teeth which are identical to the CRDTS restorative modules that have been in use for multiple years.

4 grading criteria have been added to the Posterior Endodontics portion of the examination, shown below:

INTEGRITY OF OBLIQUE RIDGE

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| SAT | The access opening extends up to 1.0 mm from the crest of the oblique ridge. |
| ACC | The access opening extends to the crest of the oblique ridge. |
| DEF | The access opening extends beyond the crest of the oblique ridge. |

PULP CHAMBER ROOF

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| SAT | The access opening completely removes the pulp chamber roof. |
| SUB | The access opening partially removes the pulp chamber roof. |
| DEF | The pulp chamber roof has not been entered. |

PULP TISSUE DEBRIDEMENT

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| SAT | All pulp tissue is removed. |
| SUB | Some pulp tissue remains. |

CANAL ACCESS

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| SAT | The access opening allows straight line access to three canal orifices. |
| ACC | The access opening allows straight line access to two canal orifices. |
| SUB | The access opening allows straight line access to one canal orifice. |
| DEF | The access opening does not allow access to the canal orifices. |

Part III Fixed Prosthodontics:

CRDTS will be utilizing the ModuPRO OS3 (EP) model for the fixed prosthodontic examination. This model uses the M300 teeth which are identical to the CRDTS restorative modules that have been in use for multiple years.

Criteria of the Anterior Lithium Disilicate Ceramic Crown Preparation – Incisal Reduction ranges have been increased by 1 mm to accommodate for the more anatomically correct OS3 M300 teeth.

INCISAL REDUCTION

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| SAT | The optimal incisal reduction is 3.0 mm. |
| ACC | The incisal reduction is not less than 2.5 mm or not more than 3.5 mm. |
| SUB | The incisal reduction is less than 2.5 mm or up to 4.0 mm. |
| DEF | The incisal reduction is less than 2.0 mm or more than 4.0 mm. |

Part IV Periodontal:

No changes

Part V Restorative:

The Restorative Clinical Examination consists of four procedures: Prepare 2 teeth with simulated decay on 8 DL, 3 MO or 13 DO and place restorations in 2 pre-prepared teeth on 26 DL, 20 DO or 31 MO. For the Class II procedures, candidates may choose to prepare/place a Class II Amalgam or a Class II Composite.

It continues to be emphasized that the Class II preparation **CANNOT** be a slot preparation.

Criteria changes are noted in the four restorative criteria shown below:

OUTLINE SHAPE/CONTINUITY/EXTENSION

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| SAT | The outline form is smooth, rounded and flowing with no sharp curves or angles. |
| SUB | The outline form is inappropriately overextended so that it compromises the remaining marginal ridge and/or cusp(s). The outline form is underextended and does not incorporate occlusal pits and grooves. |
| DEF | The outline form is overextended so that it compromises, undermines and leaves unsupported the remaining marginal ridge to the extent that the <u>cavosurface margin</u> is unsupported by dentin or the width of the marginal ridge is 1.0 mm or less. |

ISTHMUS

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| SAT | The isthmus must be 1.5 mm to 2 mm wide. |
| ACC | The isthmus is greater than 2 mm and not more than 2.5 mm. |
| SUB | The isthmus is greater than 2.5 mm and not more than 3 mm. |
| DEF | The isthmus is greater than 3 mm or less than 1.5 mm. |

AXIAL WALLS

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| SAT | The axial wall follows the external contours of the tooth, and is entirely in dentin, .5 mm to 1.0 mm from the DEJ. |
| ACC | The depth of the axial wall is greater than 1.0 mm but no more than 1.5 mm beyond the DEJ. |
| SUB | The axial wall is more than 1.5 mm beyond the DEJ, but no more than 2.5 mm or the axial wall depth does not include the DEJ. |
| DEF | The axial wall is [] more than 2.5 mm beyond the DEJ or [] gingival floor less than 1.0 mm. |

CONTIGUOUS TOOTH STRUCTURE

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| SAT | There is no evidence of unwarranted or unnecessary removal or recontouring of tooth structure contiguous to the restoration. There is no excess restorative material present that is not contiguous with the restoration. |
| ACC | There is evidence of unwarranted or unnecessary removal, or recontouring of tooth structure contiguous to the restoration that is no greater than 0.5 mm. (<u>Enameloplasty</u>) Excess present that is not contiguous with the restoration no greater than 0.5mm. |
| SUB | There is evidence of unwarranted or unnecessary removal or recontouring of tooth structure contiguous to the restoration that is greater than 0.5 mm up to 1 mm. (<u>Enameloplasty</u>) Excess present that is not contiguous with the restoration greater than 0.5mm up to 1 mm. |
| DEF | There is greater than 1.0 mm of <u>enameloplasty</u> . There is excess present that is not <u>contiguous</u> with the restoration greater than 1 mm. |

Fees: See website.

Retakes: See CRDTS Retake Policy below

If a candidate does not achieve a score at or above a 75% on a procedure, a 2nd Attempt retake option is available on-site after the dental examination has been completed at **most** examination sites. Each procedure has an allotted amount of time to complete. A candidate has up to 5 hours of retake time, if a candidate has more than 5 hours of retake time on-site they must finish retakes at another date.

Candidates retaking the CRDTS examination must sign a retake form stating that they have checked with their state board about their number of attempts policy.

A 3rd Attempt may be offered to candidates that do not achieve a score at or above a 75% on their second attempt. A 14 day waiting period is imposed between the second and third attempts.

If following the CIF Format, all retakes must be taken within 60 days after graduation or else all Parts of the examination must be retaken in the Traditional Format.

All attempts will be reported on score reports.

Additional Information: Occlusal opening limiting rods will be inserted by CFE's prior to giving a starting check for all procedures.