

Dental Specialty Fellowship Examinations – Part 1 Exam Specification

Specialty	Special Care Dentistry
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The examination will have 180 Single Best Answer (SBA) questions, split equally across two two-hour papers of 90 questions each. On average, candidates will therefore have 1.5 minutes (90 seconds) to read and complete each question.

The questions are spread across the syllabus and will be divided into topics as follows. The question order will be randomised for each candidate. The weighting range indicates the number of potential questions for each topic. For example, a weighting range of 8-12 indicates that you will be asked between 8 and 12 questions on that topic in an examination diet.

	Topic	Weighting range
1.	Professional legal and ethical context	12 – 18
2.	Impairment disability and oral health	27 – 31
3.	Oral care of complex patients	40 – 48
4.	Dental public health and oral health promotion	20 – 24
5.	Clinical special care dentistry	40 – 48
6.	Management of pain and anxiety	20 – 30