

OMSB Occupational Classification Examinations

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. What is the purpose of OMSB exams?

The Ministry of Health and other public or private institutions use OMSB exams for licensing purposes. In other words, to be able to work for the MoH and other Health Service Institutions, a candidate must sit for OMSB exams.

2. What are the exams/specialties included in OMSB exams?

You can find all the available OMSB exams/specialties at www.prometric.com

3. What if my exam/specialty is not included in OMSB exams?

In case your specialty is not offered, please contact the relevant department of MoH to undertake a regular written examination.

4. How can I register for the exam?

The steps/process of registration is as follows:

<u>Process of Registration for OMSB Exams</u>

- 1. Go to Prometric website at www.prometric.com\
- 2. Click Schedule My Test
- 3. Enter the sponsor name and type OMSB
- 4. Click OMSB Oman Medical Specialty Board
- 5. Click Schedule My Test
- 6. Locate Oman in the country selection and click next
- 7. Read the Information Review and click next
- 8. Read the Privacy Policy Review and tick I agree or I disagree and click next
- 9. Eligibility Information: Tick No and click next
- 10. Appointment Selection: Select your specialty
- 11. Test Center Location: Type Muscat, Oman and click Schedule an Appointment
- 12. Read the Prometric Biometric Consent and tick I agree
- 13. Date and Time Selection: Select the date you desire to take the exam and click Go

- 14. Select your desired available date and time and click "next"
- 15. Kindly input additional information. Note: All blanks that have asterisk must be filled up.
- 16. Payment is through Visa, MasterCard, or American Express
- 17. Appointment Verifications
- 18. Appointment Complete
- 19. Once you have successfully registered, you will receive a confirmation email from Prometric.
- 20. Read carefully the details regarding identifications that you need to bring in your test date.

5. What is the cost of the exam?

- 206 USD for Technicians and Technologists
- 227 USD for Physicians

6. How to get eligibility ID to schedule OMSB exams?

All candidates are eligible to schedule OMSB exams without using eligibility ID, so their eligibility ID not required.

7. How long is the exam?

2 hours (70 MCQs), 2.5 hours (100 MCQs), 3 hours (150 MCQs)

8. What are the exam contents?

Please visit https://omsb.gov.om/home/infoPage?id=53 for the exam content and recommended references of OMSB examination

9. Does the test center provide reference materials?

No, we don't provide such. We provide the test structure and reference titles.

10. If I have any more questions, who will I contact?

Contact information is as follows:

Prometric Test Center Phone No: <u>24181660</u>

Email Address: 8764muscat@omsb.org

11. Who to contact if I have issue with my registration?

Prometric Candidate Care Phone No.: +31 320 239 530

Prometric Candidate Care Email: candidatecare@prometric.com

12. How far in advance do I need to register for the exam?

The nearest available date will be shown to you once you have started the registration. The exam registration will be at least a day before prior to the preferred date of exam.

13. Rescheduling/Cancellation:

Rescheduling and cancellation must be done through the website at least 5 working days. Less than 5 business days, no rescheduling will be allowed and no refund for cancellations. Rescheduling fee is around 40\$.

14. What if I couldn't attend the exam for some unforeseen circumstances? Please contact us immediately or as early as possible at 24181660 or email us at 8764muscat@omsb.org Kindly also provide or attach any proof/documents for verification.

15. Do I need an eligibility ID in order to schedule an exam?

No. It is not required. You must tick "No" during the Eligibility Information section for you to proceed with the registration without having the eligibility ID.

16. What is the identification that I must bring on my test date?

Examinees must bring a valid passport/ID card and must be issued by government, has signature, a personal image and be valid or not expired. In case that the passport has no signature, bring a secondary form of ID that presents the signature. The examinee is not required to bring a copy of his/her confirmation letter, you can show it electronically.

Note: When you go to the testing center, you should take with you the same form of identification that you used to register with, your Passport. At check in, this will be verified and if the ID does not match, you may be refused testing. OMSB will not accept candidates who have not completed this information and failure to do so may result in your score being withheld.

17. Where can I put my belongings whilst having my exam?

We have available lockers inside the test center.

18. I am on medication. Is it possible that I can bring my medication inside the test room?

No. But you can go outside if you desire to take your medication or you want to take a break. Food, drinks and/or medications are not allowed inside the test room, it will be stored in your assigned locker.

19. Do I have a scheduled break?

- 20. If I don't have a break and I go out, what will happen with my exam time? The time that you go out for a break will be counted from your exam time, but it doesn't mean that you cannot take a break.
- 21. I am not good at computers. Will there be a tutorial before the exam? There is a 5 minutes tutorial before you can start the exam. In case of technical issues, you can ask the test center administrator for an assistance.

22. Do I get a certificate from the center after my test?

The center will provide you a score report. However, certain exams have been updated, therefore the result will be emailed to you within 24 hours after exam completion.

23. Can I have more than one copy of the score report?

Score report will be given only once right after the exam and lose or misuse is the sole responsibility of the candidate. There will be no possibility of re-issuing another score report. However, the candidate may request for a replacement letter and issuance of certificate will be at least 3 business days and a fee will be applied.

24. How long are scores valid?

Score report is only valid for one year from the date of exam.

25. If I am not happy with my result, can I retake?

Yes, you can retake the exam and the same exam fee applied.

26. Do I have to present or upload my credentials prior to the registration for OMSB exam?

Registering for OMSB exams is open for all candidates and does not require uploading any document.

27. Is there any fee for eligibility of OMSB exam?

No, there is no additional fee requested to be eligible for the exam. The fee that you should pay is only OMSB exam fee.

28. What time should I come for the exam?

It is recommended to report at least one hour early.