

# Surgical Basic Exam

The Surgical Basic Exam evaluates the basic knowledge of surgical disease patterns and emergency situations. The following areas will be tested:

1. The human body as a whole
2. Emergency, Critical Care
3. Traumatology, orthopedics
4. Thorax, respiratory tract, heart and vessels
5. Oesophagus, gastrointestinal tract
6. Stomach and abdominal organs
7. Head, jaw, throat, CNS and peripheral nerves
8. Urology and surgical gynaecology
9. General: methods, hygiene, law, ethic

The assistant should know the anatomy respectively pathology, physiology and pathophysiology, the main symptoms of the clinical pictures as well as the corresponding examination technique for the diagnose. The emergency procedures will be a relatively big part of the exam. Likewise it is required to know about operative and conservative therapy and pre- and post-treatment for the fundamental surgical disease pattern.

Candidates who passed the Surgical Basic Exam know the most frequent or alarming surgical diseases as well as the most important diagnostic and therapeutic methods of surgery and anaesthesia particularly of emergency care.

**The next Surgical Basic Exam takes place on:  
2<sup>nd</sup> November 2019 at 11 am**

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The exam is supported by the most Swiss surgical specialties, it is the mandatory base for certifications:

- Swiss Society for Surgery (SGC)
- Swiss Society for Hand Surgery (SGH)
- Swiss Society for Cardiac Surgery (SGHC)
- Swiss Society for Paediatric Surgery (SGKC)
- Swiss Society for Orthopaedics and Traumatology (SGOT)
- Swiss Society for Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgery (SGPTAC)
- Swiss Society for Urology (SGU)
- Swiss Society for Oro-Maxillofacial Surgery (SGMKG)
- Swiss Society for Vascular Surgery (SGG)

The exam is also open for other specialties and international trainees as a self-assessment exam.