

# Policy: Considering applications for exemption from assessment components

This policy is designed to provide further guidance to applicants who are considering making an application for an exemption from the assessment program

- A candidate is entitled to apply for an exemption from the written examination only.
- A candidate is entitled to apply for an exemption from the written examination if the candidate has:
  - Completed a postgraduate course at a tertiary institution in the 5 years prior to the date of the application for accreditation; and
  - In the postgraduate course, achieved, on average, a standard equivalent to a mark of 75 out of 100.
- In order to apply for an exemption from the written examination, a candidate must submit an application addressing the following matters:
  - How the postgraduate course assesses knowledge that is equivalent in range to the knowledge assessed in the specialist accreditation written examination;
  - Whether the postgraduate course is at a level of complexity and standard of knowledge that is equivalent to that assessed in the specialist accreditation written examination;
  - Whether the postgraduate course contains knowledge that is of equivalent relevance to practice in the specialist accreditation written examination; and
  - Certified copy of an academic transcript and certificate of completion.
- Any application for an exemption should be made at the time of lodging the application form, which is to be lodged no later than 4pm on Friday 3 April 2020.
- The granting of such an exemption is entirely at the discretion of the Accredited Specialisation Board and will be assessed on a case by case basis.