

# GENERAL SURGERY – ELIGIBILITY II

The EBSQ GenSurg examination is intended to be an examination requiring comprehensive revision.

The examination (Eligibility II) takes place annually in collaboration with the congress of the European Society of Surgery ([www.essurg.org](http://www.essurg.org)).

Any surgeon may take this examination. Eligibility I is not a prerequisite. Successful candidates will receive a diploma/certificate.

The title "F.E.B.S." is reserved only for candidates successfully passing the whole process including Eligibility I and II.

The duration of the examination will be up to 60 minutes.

A pass/fail mark will be decided for each module following discussion among the members of the examining board without the presence of the applicant. Each member of the examining board has one vote. Two votes are necessary for pass or fail mark to be decided. In case of a split 1-1 vote the chairman can cast an extra decisive vote.

The examination is a two part assessment of training experience:

- **Part 1** is an oral "viva voce" examinations starting with general topics and discussion on the content of the log book and of the syllabus.
- **Part 2** is an Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE). This consists of a number of stations where candidates will be asked to talk to and examine real and simulated patients. Candidates will also be given laboratory investigations, x-rays and scans to interpret. They may also be asked to demonstrate their practical abilities. Each candidate will visit each station where they will be assessed by an examiner and may be asked to give an oral or written answer respectively.

The decision of the examining board is final and is not subject to appeal. An unsuccessful candidate is entitled to one more chance to take the exam that he/ she failed.

The candidate is informed via e-mail and in writing regarding the result of the examination no later than a week from the date of the exam.

The successful candidates (having previously passed Eligibility I) are awarded the title "**Fellow of the European Board of Surgery – GenSurg**" or "**F.E.B.S./GenSurg**" and are provided with the relevant Diploma no later than a month from the date of the exam.

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