

# EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF ORAL MEDICINE

## Diploma in Oral Medicine

### General Information

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#### *Introduction*

The European Association of Oral Medicine (EAOM) aims, through its Diploma, to increase the knowledge among dentists and physicians who are working in the field of oral medicine and to facilitate a pan-European level of competence in Oral Medicine. The diploma leads to the status of Diplomat in Oral Medicine within the EAOM. It has no legal status in any of the European countries. The validity of the Diploma is set at 10 years; thereafter, the taking of a Certification Maintenance Examination is required.

Members who already have a recognised specialist' status in Oral Medicine in a country where Oral Medicine is an officially recognised speciality and members with an equivalent of the specialist' status in countries where Oral Medicine is not officially recognised as a speciality may apply for being exempted from taking the examination. The correspondence should be directed to the Secretary-General of the EAOM. The EAOM has the right of inviting such applicants to present an updated curriculum vitae for further consideration.

#### *Examination*

Examination is performed once every two years, and is divided into a written and an oral part. The examination will usually take place in association with the biannual meeting of the EAOM

- the written examination consists of multiple choice and/or essay questions in English and will be based on the "Recommended Reading List", as being made available by the EAOM. The time for the written part should not exceed two hours.
- the oral examination should not exceed one hour for each candidate and will be held in English. Conflicts of interest between candidates and examiners of the same nationality will be minimised as far as is possible.

To obtain a Diploma in Oral Medicine the candidate must pass both the theoretical and verbal examination. A pass is 50% or more. The result is given soon after the examination. If the candidate fails for the verbal or written part, that particular part will be re-examined at the next biannual meeting or, at the latest, the one thereafter. The fee for such partial re-examination will be 50% of the regular examination fee. The decision of the Examination Committee is final. There is no higher body to appeal to.

#### *Application for a Diploma in Oral Medicine*

A dentist or physician who wishes to be accepted as a candidate for the Diploma must be a dentist or physician for at least five years and must be an EAOM member for at least two years. He or she should apply to the Secretary-General at least six months prior to the examination, together with the payment of the application fee of £ 50 (English pounds) or the equivalent in Euros, non refundable, and an additional examination fee of £ 250 (English pounds) or the equivalent in Euros. The candidate will be informed about the result of his or her application procedure within six weeks after receipt of the application fee.

For those who apply for being exempted from taking the examination, only the application fee of £ 50 (English pounds) or the equivalent in Euros should be remitted. The application should be accompanied by a supporting letter from the President of the National Oral Medicine association or its equivalent

The application must contain written information of previous clinical and theoretical education related to oral medicine, using the standard EAOM curriculum vitae form.

#### *Correspondence*

All correspondence in relation to the Diploma in Oral Medicine should be directed to the Secretary-General of the EAOM.