

USER GUIDE – Most frequently asked questions

Who can enrol in the TTE Accreditation process?

Qualified echocardiographers performing, interpreting and reporting routine echocardiographic studies unsupervised can enrol in the TTE Accreditation process.

How can the candidate prepare for the exam?

- Qualified echocardiographers performing, interpreting and reporting routine TTE studies unsupervised on a regular basis should be in a good position to successfully take the Accreditation Process.
- It is recommended that the candidate reads the [Core Syllabus](#) in Echocardiography since the accreditation examination relates to it.
- An online library of cases in cardiac imaging and echocardiography is available from the [EAE website](#). This case library and the image gallery have been developed to create a comprehensive library of cardiac images and clinical cases in echocardiography online.

How often does Accreditation Exams in TTE take place?

Accreditation Exams in TTE are run twice a year:

- during EUROECHO Congress in December
- during ESC Congress in September

Upcoming exams dates can be found [here](#).

What happens if the candidate registered online for the exam but is unable attend?

In the event that a participant wishes to cancel their registration to the Accreditation exam, written confirmation to ee@escardio.org is required, up to 2 weeks prior the event. A refund of fees will be made. After this deadline, the candidate will be charged with a penalty of 50% of the accreditation cost and refunded the difference.

In case of unforeseen circumstances (such as death in the family, on-call at the hospital, accident of the candidate...), a proof document will be required and the candidate will be refunded with the entire registration fee.

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How long does it take to get the results of the written exam?

Results of the written exam will be sent to the candidate by email (using the e-mail address provided when registering for the Accreditation) within one month of the candidate sitting the exam.

Please update your My ESC account according to any email change as this is capital to maintain correspondence links with the EAE Accreditation office.

What happens if the candidate fails the written section?

If a candidate fails the written exam, he/she will have the opportunity to re-sit the written exam at the next session for a reduced fee of 100 euros. He / she will have to register again on the EAE website.

What happens after the candidate successfully passed the written exam?

Within one year of successfully completing the written examination, the candidate will be asked to submit a log book consisting of 250 TTE cases performed by the candidate within a 12 months period (within 1 year before and 1 year after passing the written exam). More details on the log book can be found [here](#).

Failure to submit the log book within one year of passing the written exam will require the candidate to re-sit the entire Accreditation Process (from scratch).

Is there any mutual recognition if a candidate already holds a nationally recognised Accreditation Diploma?

The conditions of mutual recognition are to be found at:

[http://www.esccardio.org/bodies/associations/EAE/accreditation/National Accreditation Recognition.htm](http://www.esccardio.org/bodies/associations/EAE/accreditation/National_Accreditation_Recognition.htm)

How long does it take to get the results of the practical assessment?

Results of the logbook assessment will be sent to the candidate by email (using the e-mail address provided when registering for the Accreditation) within 6 months of the candidate submitting his/her log book.

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What happens if the candidate passes the written session but fails the practical session?

If a candidate fails the practical process (after successfully passing the written exam) and still wants to take the accreditation, he/she will have to re-sit the entire accreditation process (written + practical) for a reduced fee of 100 Euros.

In the mean time, the candidate can raise an appeal to the Accreditation Committee through the Accreditation secretariat.

What happens after successful completion of the entire accreditation process (written + practical)?

Upon successful completion of the entire accreditation process (written + practical), the candidate will be awarded an Accreditation Diploma in Transthoracic Echocardiography (which will be sent by post) which will remain valid for 5 years before re-accreditation is required.

For how long is the Accreditation Diploma in TTE valid?

The Accreditation Diploma in TTE will remain valid for 5 years before re-accreditation is required. Re accreditation process is available on our web site under the section "Re accreditation process".

How much does it cost to take the EAE Accreditation Diploma?

Different fees apply depending on the date of enrolment of the candidate and whether he/she is an EAE member and if this is the first attempt to obtain the EAE Accreditation Diploma. See below tables for details.

	Early fee	Onsite fee
Standard	200	250
EAE members	170	200
Resit	100	150

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Appendix: Mark Sheet

This is the mark sheet you will have to fill in. The Accreditation office will have filled in already your candidate number, test number, college number, date, surname and first name.

Questions
number

MULTIPLE-CHOICE EXAMINATION ANSWER SHEET

Single Best

One single best
answer

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18	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)	83	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)	148	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)	213	(A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
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