

Mutual recognition might be provided for one or more modalities (e.g. TTE, TOE, Echo CHD)

A modality of a National certification system might be accepted if it fulfills the requirements.

In case the certification requirements criteria of one modality are inadequate compared to the EACVI ones this modality cannot be mutually recognised. Therefore it is possible that applications can be made for all modalities but not all will necessarily be accepted.

The chairman plus 2 members of sub-committees (TTE, TOE, Echo CHD) will review the applications. The final acceptance or rejection will be EACVI Board's decision

CRITERION	Explanation of information needed	Applicant Explanation
<b>1. A past exam paper</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An explanation of how the exam is created</li> <li>2. Details of the question bank               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. how are the questions created (by whom and how are they validated)</li> <li>b. How are the questions selected to create the exam - explain the turn over, the balance of easy and hard questions...</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	
<b>2. Strict requirements of what the passing score is and how is this set</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Please explain how the passing score is calculated or decided on.</li> <li>2. Is the score always decided upon in the same way each year - for example always at 60% or linked to candidate's success for the specific exam and based on analysis of question performance</li> </ol>	
<b>3. A description of the log book</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The adequate number and categorisation of studies for each the modalities in a satisfactory accordance with EACVI current requirements (for TTE, TOE or CHD respectively). Comments: In case the National certification system includes several modalities under an integrated training, each modality should be in a satisfactory accordance with the current EACVI requirements (e.g 250 TTE studies, 75 TOE etc).</li> <li>2. Please explain the classification of the studies? (e.g. at least 3 cardiac masses, 5 studies with diseases of the aorta etc).</li> </ol> <p>Please note that this is a strict requirement. The EACVI reserves the right to examine the candidate's log book or cases submitted for the national certification or records of the observed echos in a practical exam.</p>	
<b>4. An explanation of how the logbook is reviewed</b>	<p>Please include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How the graders are chosen</li> <li>2. Whether the reviewing is blind or not (if the grader knows the identity of the candidate)</li> <li>3. The marking system</li> </ol>	
<b>5. Recertification</b>	<p>The certification process must have an expiry date (duration of 5 years validity for example). This should be coupled with some kind of recertification process once the initial certificate has expired.</p>	

Please feel free to include any additional documents in your applications - such as your logbook templates or marking schemes

**Signature** - to validate that all that is written  
is true and correct

**Date**