2023 OITE Remote/In-Person Group Testing FAQs

What OITE administration models are available for the November 3-12, 2023 OITE?

Residency programs have the option of choosing the traditional in-person/group testing model or the remote testing and proctoring model.

What is remote testing and proctoring?

Remote testing and proctoring is a model of test administration employing state of the art technology to assist with the standardization of examination administrations. Remote testing eliminates the need for in-person/group testing and facilitates testing in an alternative environment such as a home or office.

The remote testing and proctoring model for the OITE is a web-based administration model and does not require individuals (residency director, coordinator, volunteer staff) to be logged into any portals during the exam administration. The examination is delivered in a computer-based format and the proctoring is accomplished by a contracted vendor via the web.

What resources are needed for in-person testing?

For in-person testing each program will need 2 proctors per testing room. Each student will need their own computer with consistent internet access. The primary proctor will need a computer to log into the administration system, check residents in, and start the exam.

What are the differences between remote testing vs in-person testing?

Remote Testing	In-Person Testing
Residents schedule on their own time within the window chosen	Program leaders pick test date(s) and times within the exam window
Residents test alone at a location of their choosing	Residents test together in one room
Proctor is supplied via the web	Proctors are supplied by program leaders
Need computer with internet, camera, and speaker	Need computer with internet
Can test at any time of day	Must test at the same time

Do residents need to test on the same day if the program chooses remote testing?

AAOS recognizes that the demands and professional obligations of the residents may not provide an opportunity for all residents to test on the same day. Knowing the resident's schedules and availability in advance will facilitate scheduling of up to two consecutive days of testing. We request that the programs limit scheduling to 2 days if necessary and encourage programs to test all residents on the same day and at the same time whenever possible.

Can the residency program have some residents test in-person and others test remotely?

All residents associated with the program MUST test in the model chosen by the residency program. Individual residents do not have the option to test remotely if their program opted for the in-person testing.

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What resources are required for remote testing?

Just as with the in-person, the resident will need a computer and continuous internet access. In addition, a web camera (either mounted external to the computer or equipped with the computer) and speakers are required for the remote testing option. Nearly all computers have these features, so there should be minimal concern about appropriate hardware.

Is continuous internet accessibility required to take the OITE remotely?

Continuous internet access and appropriate bandwidth are necessary to access and take the OITE in any setting (in-person or remotely).

Is there technical support for the remote testing option?

Throughout the testing dates, technical support is available 24/7 by calling 1-800-514-8494 (International: +1-443-573-8399). However, not all matters are able to be resolved immediately. As in the in-person/group testing, AAOS will have a contingency or rescheduling plan in place in the event an examination cannot be completed due to an internet outage or power outage.

For questions and inquiries regarding the OITE Examination, please refer to the OITE landing page of the AAOS website Orthopaedic In-Training Examination (OITE) (aaos.org)

For questions and inquiries regarding New Resident Enrollment, Transitions, and Program changes/updates, please contact the Membership Specialist at join@aaos.org.

For questions and inquiries regarding AAOS Log In, Purchasing, payment processing, and invoicing of the OITE, please contact the AAOS Service Center at 1-800-626-6726, or via email customerservice@aaos.org, and include your RP number.