



Frequently asked questions on circulars (22,24/2020)

Q1: Is there any list for the accredited/ approved Universities outside The State of Qatar whose graduates are exempted from the qualifying exam?

A: For all professions, the education certificate from the University/ institution should be verified by the Primary source verification (PSV) company.

For physicians, DHP recognizes primary medical degrees listed in the [World Directory of Medical Schools](#) and the education certificate must be verified by the (PSV) company.

Q2: Who has to sit for the Qualifying exam?

DHP provides computer-based examination (Prometric) for 15 categories / Specialties of healthcare practitioners available on the [qualifying examination page](#).

Specialists (physicians and dentists) are not required to sit for the qualifying exam.

Q3: Who is exempted from the Qualifying exam?

A: Based on the [circular \(24/2020\)](#) and the [Qualifying Examination policy](#), the following are exempted;

1. All Qatari practitioners.
2. Qatar Universities Graduates
3. Offspring of residents.
4. Dentists with Post Graduate Degree with minimum study duration of 2 years and the study program should include the required accredited practical hours and clinical training.
5. Pharmacist, Nurses and Allied Healthcare Practitioners with clinical Masters or PHD degrees in their relevant field.
6. Equivalent exams as per the [Qualifying Examination policy](#)

Q4: Will I be exempted from the Exam, if I am an offspring of resident of Qatar and studied abroad?

A: Yes, you will be exempted, however, the education certificate from the University/ institution should be verified by the Primary source verification company. For physicians, DHP recognizes primary medical degrees listed in the [World Directory of Medical Schools](#) and the education certificate must be verified by the (PSV) company.

Q5: Will I be exempted from the Exam if I am working as trainee in the private sector under my father's sponsorship.

A: Yes, you will be exempted after fulfilling the requirements in Q4.

Q6: If I was under the father sponsorship during the period of study, then changed to husband or place of work sponsorship prior to her work, will I be exempted from Qualifying exam?

A: Yes, you will be exempted, provided that you provide copy of your Father's valid QID.



Q7: Is the exemption from qualifying exam applicable to residents (male and female) born in Qatar?

A: Yes, they are exempted, provided that they are still residents in Qatar.

Q8: If I am exempted from qualifying exam (Prometric), does it mean that I am exempted from the HMC acceptance exam (IFOM)?

A: No.

Q9: Will I be exempted from the experience, if I am a resident of Qatar and studied abroad?

A: If you are still resident in Qatar and planning to join **governmental/ semi-governmental sectors**, then you will be exempted from the required experience when applying for the registration/ licensing provided that you complete an internship period as per educational program requirements for each scope.

If you are still resident in Qatar and planning to join the **private sector**, then you are required to:

- **For General Practitioners/ General Dentists:** complete 2 years of experience as **General Practitioner (Supervised)/ Dental Trainee**.
- **For Pharmacists/ Nurses/ Allied Healthcare Practitioners:** complete a training period of one year under supervision of a licensed healthcare practitioner for. A training letter will be issued from DHP prior commencing training.

Q10: Regarding circular (22/2020), Can the resident's spouse apply for General Practitioner (supervised)?

A: Yes, they can apply for General Practitioner (supervised).

Q11: Are the specified categories in circular (24/2020) exempted from the required period of supervised practice as per break from practice?

A: No, applicants from the mentioned categories, should fulfil the training requirements specific to their professions to cover the break from practice.

Q12: Can I be licensed in the state of Qatar if I don't have the required years of experience for General Practitioner or General Dentist categories?

A: You can apply as General Practitioner (supervised) or Dental Trainee to complete the required years of experience if you are a resident in Qatar on a family sponsorship. In case you changed your sponsorship to the place of work, then copy of your Father's valid QID will be required.