



# Approved examinations for the specialty of diagnostic medical sonography set and administered by Sonography Canada

## Policy 6.11

<b>Section:</b>	Registration		
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### Definitions

In this Policy, the following words and phrases have the meanings set out below:

“**Area of Practice**” means each of general sonography, cardiac sonography and vascular sonography.

“**Effective Date**” means the date on which the Registration Regulation comes into force.

“**Four Attempts**” means, by reference to a specified examination, four attempts to complete that examination successfully.

“**Registration Regulation**” means the regulation which amends Ontario Regulation 866/93 for the purpose of the regulation of diagnostic medical sonography as a new specialty.

“**Specialty**” means the specialty of diagnostic medical sonography.

## Policy

1. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, from the Effective Date up to and including those examinations administered in September 2021, the Council approves, as the examinations approved by the Council in the Specialty, the following examinations set and administered by Sonography Canada:
    - (a) For all Areas of Practice within the Specialty, the core sonography examination.
    - (b) For general sonography, the generalist sonographic examination, being composed of:
      - (i) obstetrical and gynecological sonography,
      - (ii) abdominal sonography; and
      - (iii) generalist vascular sonography.
    - (c) For cardiac sonography, the cardiac sonographic examination.
    - (d) For vascular sonography, the vascular sonographic examination.
  2. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, from the Effective Date up to and including those examinations administered in September 2021, the Council approves that:
    - (a) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is general sonography must successfully complete all of the examinations described in paragraph 1(a) and subparagraphs 1(b)(i), (ii) and (iii).
    - (b) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is cardiac sonography must successfully complete both of the examinations described in paragraphs 1(a) and 1(c).
    - (c) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is vascular sonography must successfully complete both of the examinations described in paragraphs 1(a) and 1(d).
  3. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, from the Effective Date up to and including those examinations administered in September 2021, the Council approves that:
    - (a) an applicant for a certificate of registration in the Specialty will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 1(a).
    - (b) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is general sonography will be given Four Attempts for each examination described in subparagraphs 1(b)(i), (ii) and (iii).
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- (c) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is cardiac sonography will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 1(c).
  - (d) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is vascular sonography will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 1(d).
4. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, for those examinations administered on or after January 1, 2022, the Council approves, as the examinations approved by the Council in the Specialty, the following examinations set and administered by Sonography Canada:
- (a) For all Areas of Practice within the Specialty, the core sonography examination.
  - (b) For general sonography, the generalist sonographic examination.
  - (c) For cardiac sonography, the cardiac sonographic examination.
  - (d) For vascular sonography, the vascular sonographic examination.
5. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, for those examinations administered on or after January 1, 2022, the Council approves that:
- (a) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is general sonography must successfully complete both of the examinations described in paragraphs 4(a) and 4(b).
  - (b) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is cardiac sonography must successfully complete both of the examinations described in paragraphs 4(a) and (c).
  - (c) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is vascular sonography must successfully complete both of the examinations described in paragraphs 4(a) and (d).
6. For the purpose of section 4.2(1)2 of Ontario Regulation 866/93 as amended, for examinations administered on or after January 1, 2022, the Council approves that:
- (a) an applicant for a certificate of registration in the Specialty will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 4(a).
  - (b) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is general sonography will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 4(b).
  - (c) an applicant whose Area of Practice within the Specialty is cardiac sonography will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 4(c).

- (d) an applicant whose Area of Practice is vascular sonography will be given Four Attempts for the examination described in paragraph 4(d).
7. For the purposes of this Policy, an attempt to complete a specified examination successfully as described under paragraph 1 constitutes an attempt to complete that same examination and/or its equivalent under paragraph 4.