

R U L E S

ON THE ORGANIZATION AND CONDUCT OF ENTRANCE EXAMS FOR ENGLISH-LANGUAGE TRAINING IN THE SPECIALTIES "MEDICINE" AND "VETERINARY MEDICINE" AT TRAKIA UNIVERSITY

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I. GENERAL

Art. 1. These rules define the requirements and conditions for applying for participation in the entrance exams for English language training in the specialties "Medicine" and "Veterinary Medicine", as well as the conduct of the exams themselves.

Art. 2. These rules apply to all prospective students who wish to study in English in the specialties "Medicine" and "Veterinary Medicine", regardless of their citizenship.

Art. 3. The application is made by taking competitive **written exams/tests** in three online sessions, and the results are recognized only for the year in which they are taken. The applicant may apply for participation in one, two or all three sessions. In the final ranking the applicant participates with the highest score / highest marks from the three sessions.

II. APPLICATION CONDITIONS

Art. (4) For the English-language training for the specialties "Medicine" and "Veterinary Medicine" in Trakia university may apply and be admitted students who meet the following conditions:

1. To have completed secondary education entitling them to continue their studies at higher education institutions in the country where secondary education was acquired.
2. To have ball-forming grades in the high school diploma for the relevant specialties – Chemistry and Biology.
3. To have successfully passed the required for the specialty entrance exams.

Art. 5. For participation in the admission competition shall be paid a fee, determined by a decision of the Council of Ministers for approval of the application fees and tuition fees in the state higher schools.

III. APPLICATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE COMPETITIVE EXAMS

Art. 6. In order to participate in the entrance exams, prospective students register and submit an application for participation in an online platform on the website of Trakia University. Candidates for the English programs of the specialties "Medicine" and "Veterinary Medicine" sit for entrance exams as follows:

- (1). For the specialty "Medicine" – exam in biology and exam in chemistry (in English)
- (2). For the specialty "Veterinary Medicine" – exam in biology (in English)
- (3). Candidates from countries where English is not an official language also sit for an English language exam, with the final grade being "passes" or "does not pass". If the candidate has successfully passed the English language exam in the first session, it is not necessary to sit a second time. Candidates who have not passed the English language exam They do not participate in the final standings.

IV. CONDUCTING THE ENTRANCE EXAMS

Art. 7. The entrance exams from the three online sessions are held according to a schedule approved by the Academic Council of Trakia University and published on the university's website.

Art. 8. The entrance exams in the three sessions are held only online, and the candidates are notified in advance by e-mail of the technical requirements regarding the operating system and specialized software they must install on their computers. The last two days immediately before the exam date, representatives of Trakia university hold preliminary online meetings with the candidates who have applied for participation in the respective exam session, during which a trial exam is conducted, the correct installation of the specialized software and the quality of the Internet connection are checked. The schedule and links for the preliminary meetings are sent to the candidates by e-mail. The trial exam is not assessed and does not have any impact on the candidate's ranking.

Art. 9. For the actual exam, candidates are divided into groups, each group is headed by an online supervisor. On the day before the exam, candidates receive a link to join an online meeting in their e-mails, where the supervisor appointed for them will await them. In case of technical questions arising during the exam, candidates should contact the appointed to their group of supervisor.

Art. 10. The exams in biology and chemistry are 90 minutes long each and contain questions presented in the syllabuses published on the website of Trakia University. The number of questions are as follows: for the biology exam – 50, and for the chemistry exam – 25. The questions for both exams are of a closed type only.

Art. 11. The duration of the English exam is 60 minutes. The English exam consists of two parts – oral and written. The oral part is an interview with each candidate on common topics, and the written part includes exercises reading comprehension.

V. PUBLICATION OF THE RESULTS OF THE ENTRANCE EXAMS

Art. 12. Within the week following the respective exam session, the results of the examinations are published on the website of the university and in the accounts of prospective students.

Art. 13. Candidates who have successfully passed the English language exam do not need to reapply for the next exam session. Candidates who have not successfully passed the biology or chemistry exam or wish a higher grade may apply for participation in the next exam session.

Art. 14. The final ranking is announced on the website of the university on a date according to the schedule approved by the Academic Council.

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

§1. Audio and video recording is made during the exams. After the exams are completed and before the results are presented, the recordings are reviewed by authorized employees of Trakia university and in case of detection of attempted fraud, unlawful acts, misleading and / or attempt and / or violation of the established rules, the application work is canceled.

§2. All disputed admission issues shall be resolved by the Rector of the Trakia university in accordance with the Higher Education Act, the Rules for Development, Activity and Management of the Commercial University and all other applicable internal regulations, rules and procedures.