FRCS Ophthalmology – Part 3

Dates and fees for 2027

Location	Dates	Applications Open	Fees
Bangalore	8 - 11 February	3 November - 22 November 2026	£2,183*
Rabat	18 - 21 March	4 - 18 December 2026	£1,850
Amman	18 - 21 March	4 - 18 December 2026	£1,850
Cairo	29 March - 1 April	15 December 2026 - 7 January 2027	£1,850
Amman	26 - 29 May	12 - 26 February 2027	£1,924
Cairo	21 - 24th June	7 - 21 March 2027	£1,924
Delhi	27 - 30 September	13 - 27 June 2027	£2,270.32*
Amman	2 - 5 November	19 July - 2 August 2027	£1,924
Mumbai	22 - 25 November	8 - 22 August 2027	£2,270.32*
Cairo	6 - 9 December	23 August - 6 September 2027	£1,924

Important Note for candidates sitting in India

** Effective for all exams taking place from 1st July 2025, please be informed that an additional 18% tax is applied to examination fees for candidates sitting the examinations in India. This tax is mandated by local Indian tax regulations and is not determined by the College.*

Locations:

The confirmed **Part 3** examination locations for 2027 are detailed above.

Applying for exam places:

- Candidates can express their interest by completing an online form, including submission of the relevant eligibility documentation, between the opening and closing dates. A link to the form will be published on the FRCS Part 3 web page when the exam opens.
- Expressions of interest **will not** be considered.
- The College reserves the right to close the application window early if an exam is over subscribed.

Candidates must be prepared to submit their eligibility documentation as part of their application, and to pay the exam fee within two working days of a place being confirmed. By registering your interest but not being prepared to accept a place, you are delaying the application process and potentially stopping others from being allocated a place. Candidates who are offered and then reject a place may be excluded from applying for future diets.

Candidates must not make more than one registration; multiple registrations (including the use of different emails addresses, dates of birth etc) will be deleted and may result in your registration being removed from the diet entirely.

By submitting the form candidates are applying to the specified exam only. There will be no opportunity for their application to be forwarded to a later exam diet.

We strongly recommend that candidates check the visa application process with their local embassy, including the likelihood of a visa being obtained, prior to applying for an examination. **Obtaining the relevant visa to attend the examination is the responsibility of each candidate.** Refunds cannot be given to candidates who are unable to secure a visa in time for their exam.

Allocations:

Resit candidates cannot apply for an examination if they are waiting for results or an appeal outcome from a previous exam but **are no longer required to wait 12 months to re-apply.**

A waiting list will be held for each examination diet. There is no guarantee that applicants on the waiting list will receive a place on the diet. The waiting list will close 4 weeks prior to the diet.

A standby list will operate from 4 weeks before the exam. Candidates on the waiting list will be offered a place on the standby list if they can meet the following conditions:

- they are prepared to sit the exam at short notice,
- they are able to attend on the relevant exam days and;
- they can make the appropriate travel and visa arrangements with less than one month's notice.

In exceptional circumstances where the waiting list has been exhausted and places on a diet are still available, the College may re-open applications via a separate online form.

Confirmation of Places and Payment of Exam Fee:

Candidates will be notified by email if they have been allocated a place on the examination.

Candidates who are offered a place will have 2 working days from confirmation of an examination place to pay their exam fee in full. Candidates who do not pay their fee within this timeframe will be withdrawn from the exam and their place will be offered to another candidate. There will be no opportunity to move the allocated place to a later exam diet.

Candidates will be contacted for further information if the documents submitted at the point of application do not confirm eligibility. Candidates will then have 5 working days to complete their application and provide any necessary documentation as advised by the College. Candidates who do not complete their application within this timeframe will be withdrawn from the exam and their place will be offered to another candidate.

Once the submitted documentation is assessed, if a candidate is found to not meet the eligibility criteria for the exam (as detailed in the regulations), the candidate will be withdrawn from the exam, and their place will be offered to another candidate.

Candidates who are allocated a place and pay their fee and subsequently decide they do not wish to sit at this diet will have their applications withdrawn in line with the Regulations and may forfeit their exam fee.

Transfers to other diets are not permitted, even on medical grounds.

Candidates on the waiting / standby list who are offered a place will be given 2 working days to pay their fee in full and complete their application.

General Conditions

- The College may either cancel an examination centre if there are insufficient candidates or restrict numbers should this be necessary.
- Fees are correct at the time of publication.
- In the unlikely event that the examination has to be cancelled, the examination fee shall be reimbursed, but the College shall incur no further liability for costs (for example for hotels, transport or visas).