



The Royal College of Radiologists

Examiner Job Description

Job title	Final FRCR Part B examiner
Exam	Final FRCR Part B (CR2B) exam
Term duration	6 years
Application closing date	22 nd September 2025

RCR examiners are an integral part of ensuring that our exams support the highest professional standards. It is an immensely important and rewarding role, bringing with it the opportunity to network with other specialists and experts, not just from the UK, but from across the world. The College has a profound appreciation for all those who contribute their time to this role, and as we look to embed our new, improved exam format and expand our provision of the CR2B exam, there has never been a more exciting time to apply.

Role overview

All examiners deliver and score the oral exams and mark the short case and long case reporting elements. The CR2B examiner role features a focused training pathway, enabling newly appointed examiners to progress through the different elements which make up the role, all the while being guided and supported by their experienced colleagues.

As a starting point, all examiners must have a working understanding of the requirements of the UK curriculum and be comfortable examining cases which resident radiologists would be exposed to in their first three years of training.

New examiner training pathway (approximately 6 months):

Stage 1: New examiners will join working groups led by Vice Chairs, focusing on exam content, such as reviewing and selecting cases, agreeing marking criteria, and standard setting. They will also begin generating content for review by the wider examining group. They will receive guidance on how to submit cases, supported by their peers and by RCR staff.

Stage 2: After having contributed to working groups and begun to formulate exam-focused content, new examiners will next be given the opportunity to mark written components.

Stage 3: Having gained grounding in the areas of content and marking, new examiners will then be able to gain experience of oral marking in a supportive way to assess candidate performance, discuss and compare their views and the marks they would have given the candidate with the examiners. Once it can be verified that the approach to marking by new examiners aligns closely with that of their peers, they will be able to progress to Stage 4.

Stage 4: Having gained the requisite experience, and been supported by their colleagues, examiners at this stage will be able to contribute across all areas of the RCR exam offering.

Benefits

- **Make a difference** by ensuring UK and global candidates have a gold-standard exam experience through career-enhancing examiner development activity that ensures future radiologists' competence
- **Extend** your professional network and meet new people by collaborating with other examiners, partners at global venues, Officers and RCR staff



- **Earn CPD** credits for work developing the exam offer
- **Learn more** about RCR exams through examining, and develop personally via a comprehensive training and development programme including equality and diversity and human skills training

Experience and skills

- Examiners should have held a substantive consultant radiologist position for at least five years or have retired and returned.
- Acute CT and plain film reporting must be a feature of examiners' current job plans.
- Examiners should have a solid understanding of the UK radiology curriculum and training pathway and be actively involved in local training.
- Examiners should be able to demonstrate involvement in the teaching, training and assessment of trainees, evidenced by participating in teaching programmes (educational and clinical supervision, tutorials and assessment).
- Applications must be supported by a statement from the local training programme director (TPD), Head of School (HoS), Department head or equivalent who will be contacted by the RCR. Applications without TPD/HoS support will not be considered.
- Examiners must demonstrate excellent written and oral communication skills in English, which may be further assessed in a short interview.
- High levels of integrity, professionalism, and fairness in making judgements in an exam setting are essential.
- Having worked in the UK previously is an advantage, but not essential.

Eligibility and term of office

Applicants must:

- UK applicants must be Fellows of the RCR in good standing.
- Practice within a training programme and be actively involved in training.
- Demonstrate a strong knowledge of and commitment to equality and diversity.
- Be prepared to undertake induction, ongoing training and upskilling activities.
- Always Abide by [RCR Contributor Code of Conduct](#) submitting an annual appraisal summary for each year in the role.
- Be able to devote time to; exam content generation, standard setting, preparing for examining, assessing candidates, and other exam-related business.

Time commitment and support

Examiners are required to take part in exam-related activities for a minimum of 5 days per year and will need to make arrangements to free their time from clinical, academic, managerial or other responsibilities. CR2B exams run across four sittings per year: January, March, June and October, and time is also required for familiarisation with exam materials ahead of each sitting.

The examiner role benefits from an extensive support network. This includes the CR2B Chair and four Vice-Chairs, and a range of Exams Office staff, supporting the administration and strategic planning of all RCR Exams activity.

Travel, for exam delivery, meetings and training, may occasionally be required. Travel and accommodation costs are covered in accordance with our [published policy](#).

Applications

Please complete the online application on the [RCR website](#). If a conversation about the scope of the examiner role would be valuable please contact Dr Mary Roddie, CR2B Chair, at mary_roddie@rcr.ac.uk or Amelia Wardley, Examiner Support and Engagement Co- Ordinator, at amelia.wardley@rcr.ac.uk

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