



Practice Test Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How many questions are on the Practice Test?

Each practice test is 30 questions in length.

How long is the Practice Test?

Each practice test is 30 minutes in length. The 30 minutes will begin when the first question appears on the screen.

Is the Practice Test scored?

A score report will appear at the end of the test each time you take it. The number of correct answers for each test section is calculated in the score report.

Does the Practice Test show me which questions I answered incorrectly?

No, once you have completed the Practice Test, you will receive a numeric score that indicates the number of questions answered correctly.

Are there different versions of the Practice Tests?

The Practice Test for each specialty has one version of the same 30 questions. In other words, if you retake the Practice Test, you will see the same questions with the exception of the Sonography Principles and Instrumentation (SPI) Practice Test.

The SPI Practice Test is unique in that it has two distinct versions that never change (SPIa and SPIb). These two versions contain completely different questions.

Advanced Item Types (AITs)

ARDMS examinations feature questions called Advanced Item Types (AIT). AIT questions assess a candidate in formats that closely relate to actual practice and, therefore, better measure practical sonography skills. These questions include the: **Semi-Interactive Console (SIC) Questions for SPI and the Picture Archive and Communication Simulation (PACS) Questions for PVI and OB/GYN**. Visit www.ARDMS.org/ait to view sample questions and to learn more.

What system requirements are needed for the Practice Test?

Desktop or IPAD and the current version of Firefox, Chrome, Safari or Internet Explorer Version 9 or above.

I cannot start the test. What should I do?

Contact practicetests@ardms.org.

It is taking a very long time to load the next question. What should I do?

This may be an indication that the connection to the Internet has been lost. Refresh the browser. You may need to log back into MYARDMS and relaunch the exam.

I received an error message stating I have exceeded the maximum time allowed for a question. What should I do?

The test is timed and will end after the time allotted has expired. If the browser is closed, the timer may stop for a period of time depending on the test configuration. Contact practicetests@ardms.org if you believe you did not receive the full time allotted for the exam.