



EDRA Part 1 exam

Do I have to be ESRA member at the time applying for any part of the EDRA exam?

Yes, you have to be ESRA member at the time when you apply for the exam and at the time of the exam as well

Do I have to attend a minimum of 1 ESRA or other approved regional anaesthesia workshop before I apply for EDRA part 1 exam?

No, you can apply for EDRA part 1 exam without providing the evidence of attended one or more regional anaesthesia workshops.

How many times can I retake the EDRA part 1 exam?

Unlimited times.

Do I have to be fluent in English language for EDRA part 1 exam?

Majority of candidates would take the exam in English, however EDRA part 1 exam is now offered in Spanish and Turkish languages. In that case you can select your preferred language when applying for the exam. More languages might be added in the future.

Do I have to attend the ESRA annual congress when applying for EDRA part 1 exam?

In case, you apply for the EDRA part 1 exam held during the ESRA annual congress, you can use this opportunity of registering for congress as well, however you can choose other ESRA congress to attend. At least one ESRA congress attendance certificate is required for both EDRA part 1 and part 2 exams. It is up to you to decide, when you attend the ESRA congress as long as the attendance of the congress is between your EDRA 1 and final EDRA 2 exams.

Do I have to present the evidence of 150+150 blocks before I apply for EDRA part 1 exam?

No, the evidence of at least 150+150 blocks is required before you apply for EDRA part 2 exam (section A or section B).

EDRA Part 2 exam

Is EDRA Part 2 exam now split to two exams?

Yes, EDRA Part 2 exam has now the online exam EDRA Part 2 section A (in short EDRA 2A) and practical EDRA Part 2 section B (EDRA 2B).

Do I need to present the evidence of all required workshops when I apply for either section of EDRA 2 exam?

You do not have to present the evidence of all required workshops for EDRA 2A exam
You do have to present the evidence of all required workshops for EDRA 2B exam.

Do I have to apply for EDRA 2A first and only after that to EDRA 2B?

No, you can apply for either EDRA 2A or EDRA 2B as your first exam as long as you meet all required criteria.

If I fail one section of the EDRA 2 exam (for example EDRA 2A), do I need to retake both sections of the exam?

No. You can retake only the part you failed. That can be either EDRA 2A or EDRA 2B.

How many times can I retake the EDRA 2 exam?

You are allowed to retake each section of the EDRA 2 exam up to three times. That means, you can retake your EDRA 2A up to three times and you can also retake your EDRA 2B up to three times. If you fail either section of the EDRA 2 exam, you need to repeat whole exam – EDRA 1 and EDRA 2 (A+B) again and submit new set of required workshops.

Is there any maximum time between the EDRA part 1 and EDRA part 2 exam?

No. You can take as much time as you need to decide when you will apply for EDRA 2 exam after successfully passed the EDRA 1 exam.

Does my required cadaver workshop have to be ESRA workshop as well?

No. Your cadaver workshop can be either organised by ESRA or by other organiser. It counts as long as it meets the EDRA criteria.

One official ESRA workshop is required. This can be either cadaveric or ultrasound hands-on workshop.

All workshops attended after July 2022 must be from the “EDRA Approved” list of workshops.

Do I have to provide evidence of completing the 150+150 blocks before I apply for either section A or section B of the EDRA 2 exam?

Yes. Before you apply for either EDRA 2A or EDRA 2B exam, you must present the evidence of completion of the required number of central and peripheral nerve blocks.

What workshops are recommended for EDRA exam?

The list of “EDRA Approved” workshops is available [here](#). EDRA board will accept the workshops attended in last 5 years prior to implementation of the new “EDRA Approved” workshops (July 2022). Although 3 workshops are minimum requirements, it is highly

recommended to attend as many workshops as necessary for the candidate to fully understand the applied anatomy and sonoanatomy for regional anaesthesia.

I have not attended the ESRA annual congress during my EDRA part 1 exam. Do I have to attend it before I apply for EDRA part 2 exam?

Full registration to the ESRA annual congress is required. You can attend the congress at any time between you EDRA 1 exam and final part of your EDRA 2 exam (section A or B).

I have difficulties to attend the cadaveric workshop in my country. Can I attend the cadaveric workshop during the ESRA congress after my EDRA 2 exam?

You do not have to attend all workshops before EDRA 2A, however you have to attend all workshops before sitting the EDRA 2B exam. This requirement cannot be fulfilled at any time after the EDRA 2B exam.

Can I take the EDRA 2 exam (section A or B) in other than English language?

EDRA part 2 exam (section A and B) is currently offered in English language only. More languages may be added in the future.

What do you recommend for me to prepare myself for the EDRA exam?

The reading list for both parts EDRA 1 and EDRA 2 is published [here](#).

EDRA Part 2 (A&B) is considered the friendly discussion among the senior and respected colleagues. It is more than competency exam and signs of confidence in regional anaesthesia, problem solving skills and detailed knowledge of anatomy and ultrasound image acquisition + interpretation are expected for the candidate to successfully pass.

If you have any other question, please contact us [here](#).

Workshops accepted for EDRA Part 2 exam

Candidates who successfully passed the EDRA Part 1 exam will need to provide evidence of attending several workshops required for the EDRA Part 2 exam.

As the rules for the workshops have changed last year, we would like to bring more light into this potentially confusing topic and answer frequently asked questions from many candidates.

How many workshops do I need to attend for EDRA Part 2 exam?

You need a minimum of 3 workshops. One of them must be cadaveric and one of them must be an official ESRA workshop (organised by ESRA).

Can I use my regional anaesthesia workshop, which I attended 10 years ago?

No, unfortunately the EDRA Board will only accept workshops (compatible with the EDRA requirements) attended in the period of 5 years PRIOR TO YOUR EXAM DATE.

One of the requirements for EDRA exam is attending at least one ESRA Congress. Is this time limited as well?

Yes, the certificate from ESRA Congress should not be older than 5 years prior to your exam date.

I have successfully submitted all 3 workshops for the EDRA Part 2 exam, but I have failed exam. Do I need to repeat some or all of my workshops for my second (or third) exam attempt?

Not necessarily. You need to check if all your workshop will fulfil the criteria of less than 5 years prior to your second (or third) exam attempt for that particular part of the EDRA 2 exam (either 2A or 2B).

What are the new EDRA Approved workshops?

You can only use the workshops organised after 1st July 2022 for EDRA Part 2 exam if the workshop has been recognised with the "EDRA Approved" status. No other workshops attended after 1st July 2022 will be accepted. All official ESRA workshops are EDRA Approved.

I booked my workshop (ultrasound or cadaveric) during the ESRA congress. Can I sit the EDRA 2 exam and then attend the workshop after the exam during the congress?

Unfortunately no. All required workshops must be submitted prior to the EDRA Part 2B exam. In 2023, the exam is already scheduled before congress, but from 2024 the exam will be organised AFTER the ESRA Congress, allowing candidates to fulfil their workshop requirements during the ESRA congress.

Do I need to collect the certain amount of EDRA points from the workshops for the EDRA Part 2 exam?

Yes, after the transition period ends on 30th June 2027, you need to submit workshops that generate a minimum number of 20 points. A minimum 10 of those 20 points must be

Ultrasound Hands-on points. A minimum 6 of those 20 points must be Cadaveric Hands-on points.

Can I submit more than 20 EDRA points from my workshops?

Yes, you can always add more workshops but only 20 points are necessary. However you can attend as many workshops as you feel is necessary to become competent and confident in applied anatomy and sono-anatomy for regional anaesthesia.

What workshops will be accepted from 1st January 2023 until the end of transition period (30th June 2027)?

A minimum of 3 workshops in total will be required for the transition period. This must include at least one cadaveric workshop and at least one official ESRA workshop as long as they are not older than 5 years before the date of the exam. All workshops organised after the start of transition period (1st July 2022) must have the “EDRA Approved” status.

Do I need to submit at least 20 EDRA points for the EDRA Part 2 exam during the transition period?

No, you do not have to collect the minimum of 20 EDRA points during the transition period. Those 20 EDRA points will only be mandatory to submit for EDRA Part 2 exams organised after 1st July 2027.

Between 1st January 2023 and 1st July 2027 candidates will be able to submit a mixture of workshops organised before 1st July 2022 and after the 1st July 2022. Up to the point of full transition (1st July 2027) EDRA will accept 3 workshops (1 cadaver, 1 ESRA, 3 in total), BUT workshops after 1st July 2022 have to be EDRA Approved workshops ONLY.

I attended a short (1 hour) workshop during the congress/conference. Can I submit it as one of my workshops required for the EDRA exam?

Candidates may choose to collect several short workshops from congress, annual scientific meeting or similar conference as long as the congress organiser successfully applies for EDRA Approved status of those workshops. A minimum of 6 hours of hands-on practice is required in order to be counted as ONE workshop (either ultrasound or cadaveric) recognised for EDRA exam.