

SJT Low Scoring Reviews

Process for reviewing exceptionally low SJT scores

SJT scores

Once all SJT tests have been marked and standardised (formally known as “test-equated”), the scores are translated to a 0-50 scale.

The distribution of the scale is set to reflect the distribution of Educational Performance Measure scores. This ensures that when the SJT and EPM scores are combined, they each exert an equal weighting. The equation for translating the SJT scores to the EPM scale depends on the EPM scores in that year.

SJT scores are final (that is, they cannot be appealed) and will not be changed once published under any circumstances.

Exceptionally low SJT scores

There may be a very small group of applicants who will be withdrawn from the UKFP 2023 national application process because they have an exceptionally low SJT score. Applicants in this group will be advised of this outcome by **Thursday 23rd February 2023**.

If you find yourself in this group, there will be an opportunity for you to engage in a review of your SJT outcome. If the outcome of your review is successful, your application will be reinstated. If you are unsuccessful, or choose not to attend the review, your application will remain withdrawn, but you can still reapply to the Foundation Programme next year. The outcome will have no effect on future applications.

The definition of an exceptionally low SJT score and further information about the review will be communicated to affected applicants by Thursday 23rd February 2023.

Details of the review process along with the timeline can be found below: -

1. If you are identified as having an exceptionally low SJT score you will be invited to attend a review panel which will take place on **Wednesday 1st March 2023**.
2. The review panel will take place on one national date (see timeline below).
3. The reviews will be held virtually (using MS Teams).
4. The review will be conducted by a panel and will be a review of your SJT outcome exclusively. You cannot provide additional information or further evidence to the reviewers.

5. If the decision following the review is that your application will be reinstated, your application will be reinstated prior to allocation, using your original SJT score.
6. If the decision after the review is not to reinstate your application, or you choose not to attend the review, your application will remain withdrawn. There will be no opportunity to appeal the outcome of the review.

It is important to note that being withdrawn from UKFP 2023 process does not prevent you from reapplying to the Foundation Programme in future.

Timeline

Date	Activity
Thursday 23 rd February 2023	Applicants with an exceptionally low SJT score will be removed from the allocation process and invited to attend a review
Monday 27 th February 2023 (12 midday GMT)	Deadline for applicants to confirm attendance at the review
Tuesday 28 th February 2023	UKFPO to confirm review time to each applicant and send invite and MS Teams link to applicants
Wednesday 1st March 2023	SJT low scoring review panels take place
Thursday 2 nd March 2023	Applicants informed of outcome of review

Further details will be sent on **Thursday 23rd February 2023** to all applicants with an exceptionally low SJT score who are invited to attend a review. However, if you have any questions about this process, please email helpdesk@foundationprogramme.nhs.uk.

Important

Applicants are advised to make a note of the date for the exceptionally low scoring reviews (Wednesday 1st March) as soon as they are notified of their exceptionally low score.

All applicants in this position will be guaranteed and allocated a review slot but the time will not be confirmed until Tuesday 28th February.