

## **The Criteria for an EA4SD Approved Sports Dentistry Course**

The European Association for Sports Dentistry (EA4SD) recognizes the need for the education of dentists about sports dentistry and encourages the development of Sports Dentistry Courses. Those courses need to meet certain criteria and standards in order to provide the dentists the best possible education.

Under this perspective, for a Sports Dentistry Course to be recognized as a "European Association for Sports Dentistry approved Sports Dentistry Course", it must meet the following standards :

### Content: 5 Compulsory Modules

- 1) Basics of dentistry in sport
- 2) Dental Traumatology
- 3) Mouthguards
- 4) Oral pathologies and athletes' health and performance
- 5) Stomatognathic function and athletes' health and performance

### Duration:

Minimum of 120 hours teaching (with a minimum of 60 hours face-to-face learning being compulsory).

### Assessment for Certification:

The successful completion of, as a minimum, a written examination and 3 case presentations will be mandatory to become certified.

The written examination will, at a minimum, test the dentist's knowledge and understanding of each of the 5 compulsory modules stated above.

The case presentations should demonstrate how the dentist used their knowledge and understanding of sports dentistry to effectively support an athlete. The case presentations should demonstrate a range of sports dentistry support a dentist can provide an athlete.

The above mentioned standards have been approved by the EA4SD Board and the EA4SD Executive Committee.

The Sports Dentistry Courses meeting the above mentioned standards do not necessarily represent an academic title unless organized by a university institution.