

## The Practical Examination:

The practical portion of the examination, evaluates the candidate's ability to competently and smoothly perform tying and suturing. The following is the list of skills that you will be evaluated on, by an examiner, at your testing center.

Note: You must successfully pass this portion of the examination, in order to fully and completely pass the ABSA Certification Examination. *You will be allowed a maximum of two (2) attempts at each skill.* A failure on this portion of the examination will require retesting of the *practical portion* of the examination, at a later time, and the paying of a retesting fee.

<b>SKILLS EVALUATED</b>	<b>ABOVE AVERAGE</b> (High Pass)	<b>AVERAGE</b> (Pass)	<b>BELOW AVERAGE</b> (Minimal Pass)	<b>UNACCEPTABLE</b> (Failed Task)
One Handed Tying				
Two Handed Tying				
Instrument Tying				
Deep Tying				
Tying Under Tension				
Surgeon's Knot				
Figure-of-Eight Stitch				
Simple Running Stitch				
Mattress Stitch				
Running Subcuticular Stitch				

This is a required element of the ABSA Certification Examination. If you are not current on your skills or have not practiced them for some time; you may not pass this portion of the examination. Therefore, the suggestion is ***Practice, Practice, Practice!***