AWARDING BODIES KEY DATES TIMELINE – SUMMER 2020

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What happens next

We anticipate publishing the outcomes of our consultation on 22 May 2020. We will update this guidance when we do.

We will keep these arrangements under review. If we need to extend the period of assessments covered by the arrangements beyond 31 July, we will do so. We appreciate you will want to know, as soon as is practical, how long they will continue. We hope to provide an update at the end of June, explaining what our expectations are at that time, so that centres and awarding organisations have sufficient notice to prepare for the next steps.

Key dates

- 20 March the cut-off date for evidence counting towards Centre Assessment Grades, in the vast majority of cases
- **22 May** anticipated publication of consultation outcomes
- 1 June beginning of 3-week window for collection of evidence contributing towards the calculation of a result from centres
- 13 August results day for A levels and some L3 VTQs
- 20 August results day for GCSEs and some L2 VTQs

You should refer to your awarding organisations for detailed timelines.

<u>AAT</u>

Centre staff do not have to provide calculated grades details for some L2 qualifications.

These calculated results will be done by AAT staff which will be based on units that students have already completed.

13th August 2020: Calculated results will be issued for students who could reasonably have been expected to complete the Foundation Certificate in Accounting – Level 2 or the Foundation Diploma in Accounting and Business – Level 2 this summer.

Note: Learners will not be able to achieve some qualifications unless they complete the assessment. It is currently not clear when learners will have an opportunity to do so – and awaiting further update from AAT.

Remote Invigilation: - Opportunities for remote invigilation for some qualifications (<u>which our students take in the DCH Faculty</u>) are likely to be available from AUGUST 2020. Further details in this link: <u>hiips://www.aat.org.uk/aat-news/aat-announces-calculated-results-for-two-qualifications-and-remote-invigilation</u>

Ascentis

Following OFQAUL Timeline of Key Dates (see above).

Centres will be updated on the approach for Ascentis qualifications once the Ofqual Guidance has been finalised on 22 May.

AQA			
	15 May	Deadline for entries, amendments and withdrawals	
	1 - 12 June	Colleges submit centre assessment grades and rank orders	
	From mid-June	Exam boards standardise grades	
	13 August	AS and A-level results day	
	20 August	GCSE results day	
		ents get the qualifications they need to progress on to the next stage of their lives this summer, we'll be using the <u>new process outlined</u> digrades. This process applies to students entered for all our qualifications this summer, though there may be some variation for	
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ASDAN	Friday 22 May:	IOIIS.	
	 If you had their work us to arrar Please reg by Friday including to awarding to Please coreso. You need to ASDAN will then be 	booked a moderation date before the end of August this year, please confirm that the candidates you wish to submit had completed in its entirety before centres closed on Friday 20 March. Please confirm this to us in writing by email by Friday 22 May. This will enable age to moderate the work remotely. It is important that you include on the registration form all the units you were planning to submit, hose units learners have not been able to fully complete because of centre closures. This will enable us to plan our approach to this summer when we receive further guidance from Ofqual. It is important that you include on the registration form all the units you were planning to submit, hose units learners have not been able to fully complete because of centre closures. This will enable us to plan our approach to this summer when we receive further guidance from Ofqual. It is important that you rentre's moderation until the next academic year, but would now like to do take no further action if you have already asked for your centre's moderation to be delayed beyond the summer term. The intouch with Centres when Ofqual have confirmed their final guidance, to outline their procedure and explain what evidence we will be and what the next stens will be	
C&G / ILM	be asked to submit, and what the next steps will be. 1 June: Submission window for Centre Assessment Grades and Rank Ordering OPENS 26 June: Submission window for Centre Assessment Grades and Rank Ordering CLOSES		
		ty & Guilds Quality Assurance process (*Contacts at centres may need to be available in case of queries)	
	3 August: Level 3 I	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
	20 August: Level 2	·	
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	For other qualifica	tions timelines, City & Guilds await further direction and information from Ofqual on the results and outcomes from the consultation on	
	22 May. Once rece	eived, they will share with Centres their plans and approaches for the affected qualifications.	
CAE (IELTS)	CAE (IELTS) • United Kir	ngdom - All testing suspended until further notice.	

CELTA	CELTA
	At the moment, Cambridge English exam sessions worldwide are severely disrupted by official precautions to limit the spread of Coronavirus infections.
	Our absolute priority is to help to protect the health and safety of our candidates, their families and the staff in our exam centres and prep centres. We are closely following the advice of national and regional governments and healthcare providers, and taking additional measures. Unfortunately, this means that many exams and tests will not take place on the scheduled dates. We are putting in place detailed plans to allow candidates to take their exams as soon as possible once restrictions are lifted and it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we are providing resources for teachers and learners to help learning and exam preparation to carry on, despite the difficult situation.
EAL	Friday 29 May:
	• Request from EAL to submit Centre Assessment Grades (this is a request and Centres are not accountable if all information is not sent by this date).
	• EAL will set a fixed deadline date for Centre Assessment Grades to be submitted following the Ofqual guidance publication on 22 May. Category 1 - qualifications where the primary focus is progression to HE/FE
	 We can now confirm that all qualifications which fall into category one, as per the above description, will be assessed through estimation/calculation.
	Category 2 - qualifications where their primary use is licence to practice or occupational competency
	Category 3 - qualifications where there is a dual-mixed purpose; (progression and licence to practice)
	 For qualifications that fall within categories 2 and 3 we have preliminary identified that the assessments within these qualifications may be adapted or delayed.
ESB	TIMELINES will be finalised by the end of May 2020 at the latest.
	ESB are currently in the process of developing a centre guidance document, which will provide further detail on types and strength of evidence and the process for calculating results.
	Final guidance will be provided following the outcomes of the Ofqual consultation on 22 May.
Gateway	Once the outcome of the Ofqual consultation is known, we will confirm our timescales.
	Currently, Centres are asked to:
	1. Claim now for completed qualifications/units which have been internally assessed and internally quality assured.
	2. Watch our webinars for more information
	 For Access to HE Diplomas – <u>Calculating Grades for Access to HE</u>
	 For all other qualifications – <u>Awarding learners for vocational and technical qualifications in summer 2020</u>

<u>IMI</u>	We have provided Ofqual with a full list of qualifications and proposed categories/mitigation approaches and are now waiting to receive final confirmation from the DfE and Ofqual approval. Subject to any further feedback, it 'looks' as though the majority of our qualifications will fall into Categories 2/3 and the 'adapt' mitigation approach.
	We have been notified that where learners are due to complete the Level 1 or Level 1/2 Technical Awards these should be in Category 1 and the 'estimate/calculate' approach. We also have a few qualifications that will fall into the 'delay' approach.
	We hope to provide further information on the agreed categories and mitigation approaches as outlined above by the end of May 2020. We will provide full details when we have this confirmed.
LIBF	It is likely a calculated approach to awarding grades will be made LIBF are currently piloting the approach, which will be finalised soon. Centres are asked to not send any information until the process has been confirmed.
NCFE/Cache	 31 May 2020: Where the principal mitigation for qualifications is the issue of calculated results, you should ensure the following 2 activities are completed for eligible learners: Registration of learners ASAP: You must ensure that all learners who have not yet been registered for a qualification but who would have been registered to take the qualification this summer and complete the assessment by the 31 July 2020 are registered in the normal way. This should be done as soon as possible to ensure that the relevant learners are eligible to receive a result this year. Please refer to our Registrations Guidance. It is expected that you will have evidence to prove that the learners would have been ready for assessment and this may be checked as part of our quality assurance process. Already completed assessments: Where completed assessments for internally assessed units have been marked and internally quality assured, these must be submitted in the normal way and at the earliest opportunity via the portal. While not all qualifications results will be calculated in the same way, this will put you and your learners in the best possible position in terms of maximising the availability of the most trusted sources of evidence.
	 1 June and 19 June: Submit Centre Assessment Grades Centres should log in to the portal as normal and will be asked to provide an estimated centre assessment grade for any remaining qualification components. 13 and 20 August: Results Days NCFE expect the results of sessional qualifications to be awarded no later than A Levels and GCSEs.
NOCN	Please note that NOCN will be following the guidance issued by the ESFA, IfATE, Ofqual, CCEA, QAA and Qualifications Wales, and will update our customers as things change.
	NOCN will inform centres of the process for centres to calculate grades once we receive confirmation of the consultation outcomes. NOCN is working closely with Ofqual and other awarding organisations and will update centres shortly to inform them about evidence requirements for impacted learners.

<u>OCR</u>	1 June until 12 June 2020: Submit your centre assessment grades and rank orders for Cambridge Nationals qualifications.
	For your students who were due to complete their Cambridge Nationals qualification this summer, you will need to provide OCR with: • a centre assessment grade for each student at qualification level • a rank order of students within each grade at qualification level
OCN London	5 th JUNE: Deadline for Centres to submit Centre Assessment Grades
	OCN London is following advice from and is in contact with both regulators (Ofqual and QAA) to mitigate any adverse effect on the award of qualifications to learners as a result of the temporary closure of learning establishments.
<u>Pearson</u>	18 May – 5 June: Submit Centre Assessment Grades 1 June - 19 June: Submit Qualification-Level RANK order 13 August: Level 3 Results Day (TBC) 20 August: Level 2 Results Day (TBC)
	Key dates and deadlines for General Qualifications
Pearson HE	Guidance to follow from Pearson on BTEC Qualifications Level 4-7 (including Higher Nationals)
UAL	26 May 2020: Guidance issued to centres (UAL will contact designated Super Users at each centre on or before 26 May with detailed guidance.) 12 June 2020: Deadline for submitting marksheets and required documents 13 August 2020: Level 3 results released 20 August 2020: Remaining results released
VTCT	1 June - 12 June: Submit Centre Assessment Grades
	Assessment Timetable - Contingency Key Dates
WJEC	1 June - 12 June: Submit Centre Assessment Grades