

Parent / Carer Information Session – 8th June 2022

SQA Appeals 2022

Appeals service 2022 is free of charge

Learners will be awarded the higher of two grades, based on either:

- a clerical check of their SQA assessments — exam script and/or coursework, or
- a review by SQA senior appointees of the assessment evidence submitted by the school, and performance in any required coursework

Grades can go up or stay the same (only in exceptional circumstance could a result go down)

Pathways to Appeal Service

Appeals 2022 Learner Direct service

Appeals 2022 service opens to centres on SQA Connect

Appeals eligibility

- learner's estimate is higher than their certificated grade
- school has submitted an estimate to SQA for that subject and level
- learner must have taken and/or submitted all coursework and formal assessments, including exams
- at least one component of the course assessment must be marked by SQA. Courses that are wholly internally assessed are not eligible for appeals

(National 5 Practical Metalworking ♦ National 5 Practical Woodworking are not eligible due to nature of assessment: internally assessed by school - no SQA marked component)

- learners who have been through the Examination Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service (EECCS) are excluded from the Appeals 2022 service for the same qualification

Key dates

Appeals 2022 service opens to Learner Direct Service and centres on SQA Connect - 9 August 2022

Priority appeals

Operates for learners requiring the outcome of an appeal for immediate progression to university, college, training or employment.

When submitting a priority appeal request, the school must also be able to provide contact details for the university, college, or place of employment that requires the grade information.

All priority appeals must be validated by the school

Deadline for submitting priority appeals via Learner Direct - 16 August 2022

Centre deadline for submitting priority appeals via SQA Connect -19 August 2022

Non-priority appeals

Deadline for submitting non-priority appeals via Learner Direct - 30 August 2022

Centre deadline for submitting non-priority appeals via SQA - 2 September 2022

Appeals process

- Schools consider evidence base
- Candidate must have a conversation with the school about eligibility – ensure candidate is making an informed choice
- For priority appeals, ensure reason for priority is validated
- Candidate has final say - school to process all requests
- School will finalise list of learners to present for review
- Appeals must be submitted and progressed, with digital evidence provided by the school, to the timescales set out in the key dates section
- The Appeals 2022 service deals with potential grade changes, not band point movements within a grade
- Evidence submitted to SQA will be reviewed by SQA appointees — practising teachers and lecturers

Evidence

- Evidence can include Prelim papers, class tests, provide alternative evidence for the skills, knowledge and understanding assessed in the question paper component (evidence used to determine Estimated Grades) no new evidence (ie post SQA Exam date) can be considered.
- Any externally-assessed coursework will be presented to SQA Appointees
- Centres do not need to present evidence for internally assessed course components for review

How results are issued

- All outcomes will be released to the school, who will then inform learners
- UCAS will be informed of the outcome of priority appeals.
- No feedback on the appeal result will be provided.
- By mid-November 2022, revised results will be updated on MySQA and certificates will be posted to learners.
- The grade awarded following the completion of appeals will be final, and there will be no further means to appeal the result.

Appeals 2022 - <https://www.sqa.org.uk/sqa/79049.html>