

Notice under Condition VTQCov1.1(b): 24 March 2021

To: Responsible Officers of all awarding organisations offering Vocational and Technical Qualifications

Ofqual gives notice under Condition VTQCov1.1(b) that the VTQCov Framework will be disapplied in respect of all VTQs1 as specified below.

This notice also contains transitional and saving provisions made under Condition VTQCov1.2(c). An awarding organisation must comply with these transitional and saving provisions under Condition VTQCov1.3.

Disapplication of the VTQCov Framework

Conditions VTQCov1 to VTQCov11 (except Condition VTQCov1.3) will be disapplied in respect of all VTQs from 24 March 2021, subject to the transitional and saving provisions specified below.

Condition VTQCov1.3 will remain in force to facilitate compliance with those transitional and saving provisions.

Transitional and saving provisions

An awarding organisation must continue to apply Conditions VTQCov1 to VTQCov4, VTQCov7 and VTQCov11 –

- (a) in relation to any Learner who is eligible under Condition VTQCov2 to receive, but has not received at the date of this notice, a calculated result under Condition VTQCov3 or VTQCov4, and
- (b) for the purposes of any appeal begun or concluded after the date of this notice against a result issued under the VTQCov Framework, including a result issued to a Learner under (a) above.

For the avoidance of doubt, after the date of this notice, an awarding organisation is not required to provide an opportunity for a Learner to take an Adapted assessment

¹ Terms in this notice have the same meaning as under Conditions VTQCov1.4 and VTQCov1.8.

under Condition VTQCov3.1(b) or Condition VTQCov4.1(c) where it cannot provide a calculated result under (a) above.

An awarding organisation must retain all records of decision-making required under Condition VTQCov9 for 3 years after the date of this notice, and provide those records to Ofqual upon request.