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Modular International GCSEs

Support with understanding entry, and
cash-in/aggregation

International GCSE Mathematics
(Specification A) (Modular)
(4XMAF / 4XMAH)

Issue 1

Introduction

This document outlines the rules and main administrative requirements for the Pearson Edexcel International GCSE in Mathematics (Specification A) (Modular) (4XMAF / 4XMAH).

The qualification is available for first teaching from September 2024, with first assessment from June 2025, first cash-in in June 2025 and first certification from August 2025.

Modular qualifications are only available to centres outside of the UK.

Tiering

This qualification is available at Foundation and Higher Tier. All units are available in the June and November exam series. We strongly advise that Units 1 and 2 are sat in this order for first entry of the units and resits can be sat in any order.

Forbidden combinations

Entering for different tiers across both units is not permitted in this qualification. Both units must be either at Foundation Tier **or** Higher Tier - no mixing of tiers.

Entering for the modular and linear assessment route in the same exam series is not permitted in this qualification.

Entries

The details of how to enter learners for the examinations for this qualification can be found in our *International Information Manual* on our [website](#).

Key points

Units can be assessed in any exam series:

There are no restrictions on learners taking units together and they can be taken in any International GCSE exam series.

No time limits to the qualification:

Learners can take and re-sit individual unit assessments in any series.

Learners 'cash in' unit results when ready:

Once a learner has all their unit results for the qualification they are taking, they 'swap' those for a grade – this is called 'cashing-in'. To cash-in, all units must have been entered.

What are 'raw marks' and 'UMS marks'?

The **raw mark** is the number of marks a learner achieved on an exam.

The **UMS mark** (Uniform Mark Scale) is a conversion of the raw mark.

As this is a modular qualification, units can be taken in different exam series. To ensure that any differences in the difficulty of exams are taken into account when adding up a learner's marks to give an overall qualification grade, we convert the 'raw' or exam paper mark into a UMS mark, which is the final mark.

Unit results

This shows the total UMS for each unit and the associated grade boundaries. Learners will receive a uniform mark between 0 and the maximum uniform mark for each unit.

Unit grade	Maximum uniform mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
Unit 1F or 2F	120					60	48	36	24	12	0
Unit 1H or 2H	120	108	96	84	72	60	48	42			

Qualification results

This shows the total UMS for the qualification as a whole and the associated grade boundaries. The minimum uniform marks required for each grade are:

Qualification grade	Maximum uniform mark	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	U
Foundation Tier (cash-in code: 4XMAF)	240					120	96	72	48	24	0
Higher Tier (cash-in code: 4XMAH)	240	216	192	168	144	120	96	84			

Learners with a uniform mark in the range 0-23 will be Unclassified.

Resitting of units

Learners can resit any unit irrespective of whether the qualification is to be cashed in. If a

learner resits a unit more than once, only the better of the two most recent attempts of that unit will be available for aggregation to a qualification grade.

Results of units will be held in our unit bank for as many years as this specification remains available. Once the International GCSE in Mathematics (Specification A) (Modular) has been certificated, all unit results are deemed to be used up at that level. These results cannot be used again towards a further award of the same qualification at the same level.

‘Cashing-in’ or aggregation

Cash-in is requesting a qualification grade after the completion of all required units in a subject. Individual unit results are added together to get the overall subject grade. For example:

- For this qualification learners must sit all 2 units at Foundation Tier to cash-in for a qualification grade **or**
- For this qualification learners must sit all 2 units at Higher Tier to cash-in for a qualification grade.

Cashing-in’ or aggregation is the indication to Pearson Edexcel that the learner wishes to complete the qualification and receive certification. It is not automatic and must be requested. A learner will only have a complete qualification after the ‘cash-in’ process.

Codes

The table below indicates all the required codes for this qualification.

Type of code	Use of code	Code
Cash-in codes	Cash-in codes are used in combination with entry codes to aggregate the learner's unit scores to obtain the overall grade for the qualification. There is a separate cash-in code for Foundation Tier and Higher Tier.	Foundation Tier: 4XMAF Higher Tier: 4XMAH
Entry codes	To enter the learner for their examination, unit codes are used as entry codes. To obtain the overall grade for the qualification, entry codes are used in combination with cash-in codes. There is a separate cash-in code for Foundation Tier and Higher Tier.	Please refer to the Pearson Edexcel <i>Information Manual</i> , available on the Pearson qualifications website.
Unit codes	Each unit is assigned a unit code. This unit code is used as an entry code to indicate that a learner wishes to take the assessment for a particular unit.	Unit 1 Foundation Tier: 4WM1F/01 Unit 2 Foundation Tier: 4WM2F/01 Unit 1 Higher Tier: 4WM1H/01 Unit 2 Higher Tier: 4WM2H/01