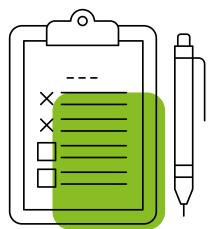


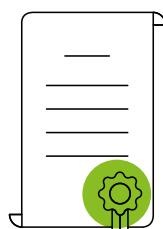


# BTEC assessment and results 2024/25 - schools & colleges guide

In this guide you will find all the information you need on assessment if you are a BTEC educator.



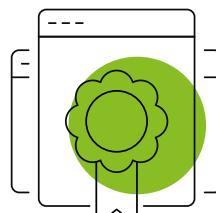
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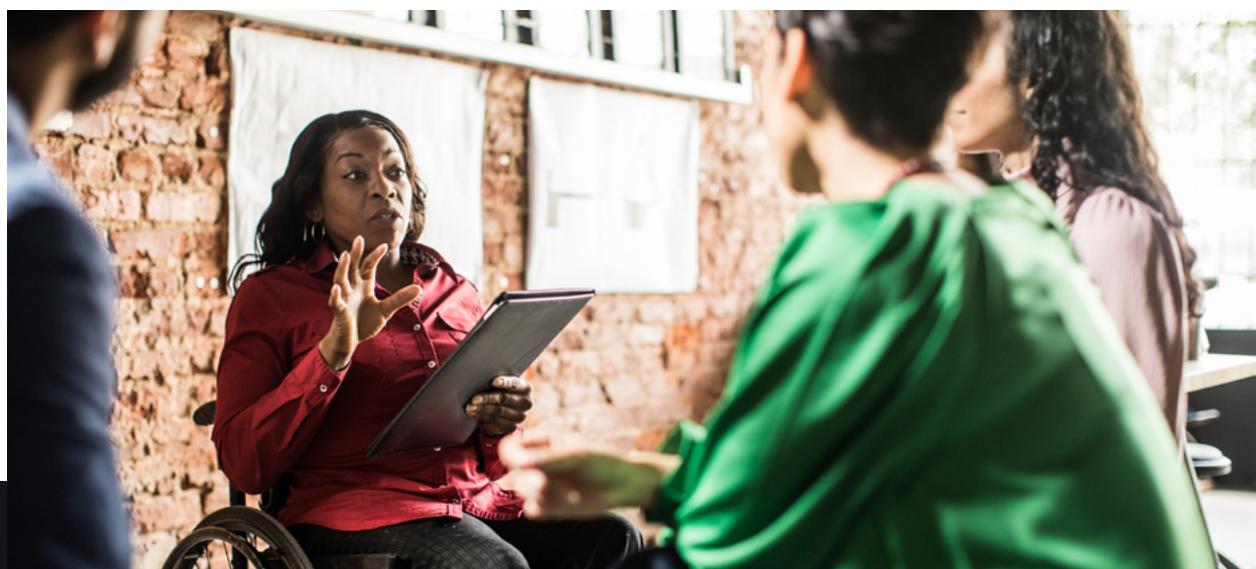
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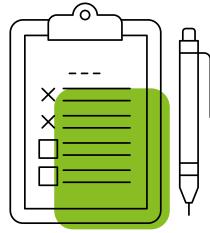


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# The principles around awarding results in 2025

Ofqual has set out their **plans for awarding qualifications in 2025** and their plans to continue with normal arrangements this summer, having returned to normal grading in 2023 for A levels, AS levels and GCSEs, as well as for vocational qualifications.

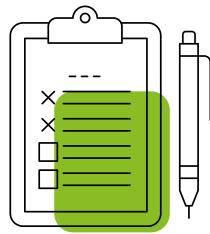
Our guiding principle and approach to awarding BTEC qualification results in 2025 is to maintain the performance standards from summer 2024.

## Key dates

This year, the key dates relating to the issuing of results are as follows:

5 July	<b>Claiming and internal assessment grade submission deadline</b> You must have made a full award claim before 5 July for all learners who are expecting to receive a result in August. You must also submit all internal assessment grades by this deadline. <b>If you haven't, we will be unable to guarantee your learners will receive a result in August.</b>
6 August	Release of Level 3 results to centres under embargo
15 August	Release of Level 2 results to centres under embargo
14 August	<b>Level 3 results issued to students</b>
21 August	<b>Level 2 results issued to students</b>

For further information please see our [key dates timeline](#).



# Term-time checkpoint deadlines

This year we have worked in partnership with schools and colleges to meet three term-time checkpoint deadlines for BTEC Firsts and Nationals, BTEC Technicals and BTEC Tech Awards.

## **Checkpoint 1 | 31 January cohort confirmation**

The latest date by which a cohort confirmation is signed by schools and colleges, declaring which students should expect to receive a result by 15 August.

## **Checkpoint 2 | 2 May cohort reconfirmation**

The latest date by which a final cohort confirmation is signed by schools and colleges following any changes, declaring which students should expect to review a result by 15 August.

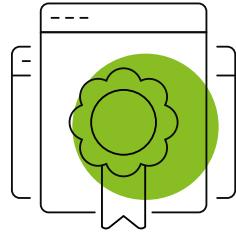
## **Checkpoint 3 | 5 July BTEC claiming deadline**

The latest date by which schools and colleges should submit a full award claim and internally assessed grades to allow Pearson to issue results in August.

## **Read more about Term-time checkpoint deadlines**

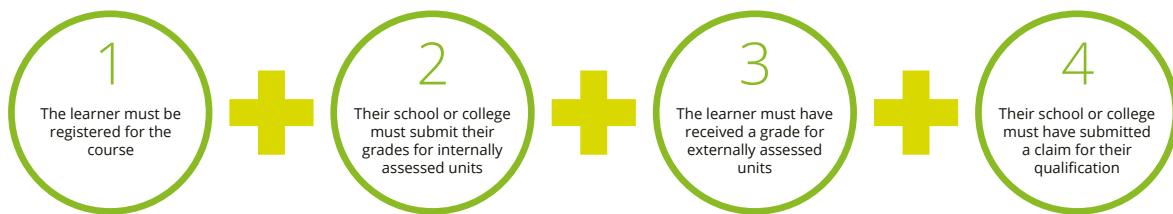


# How BTEC qualifications grades are awarded



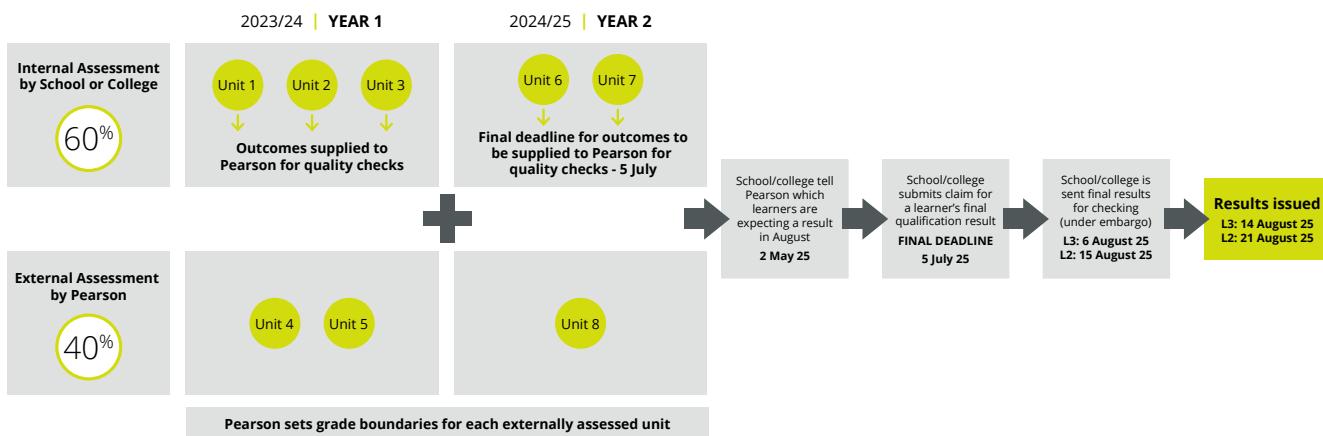
For Level 3 BTEC Nationals, for example, most qualifications are made up of around 60% of internally assessed units which are assessed by you and quality assured by Pearson. External assessments (usually around 40% of the qualification) are set, marked and awarded by Pearson.

## To award a result, the following stages must be completed:

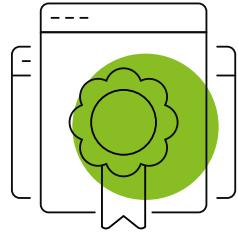


**Without all this information, we are unable to award a result**

The diagram below shows an example of a learner completing a BTEC Level 3 National Diploma (720), the units making up the qualification, the support available and the key milestone dates:

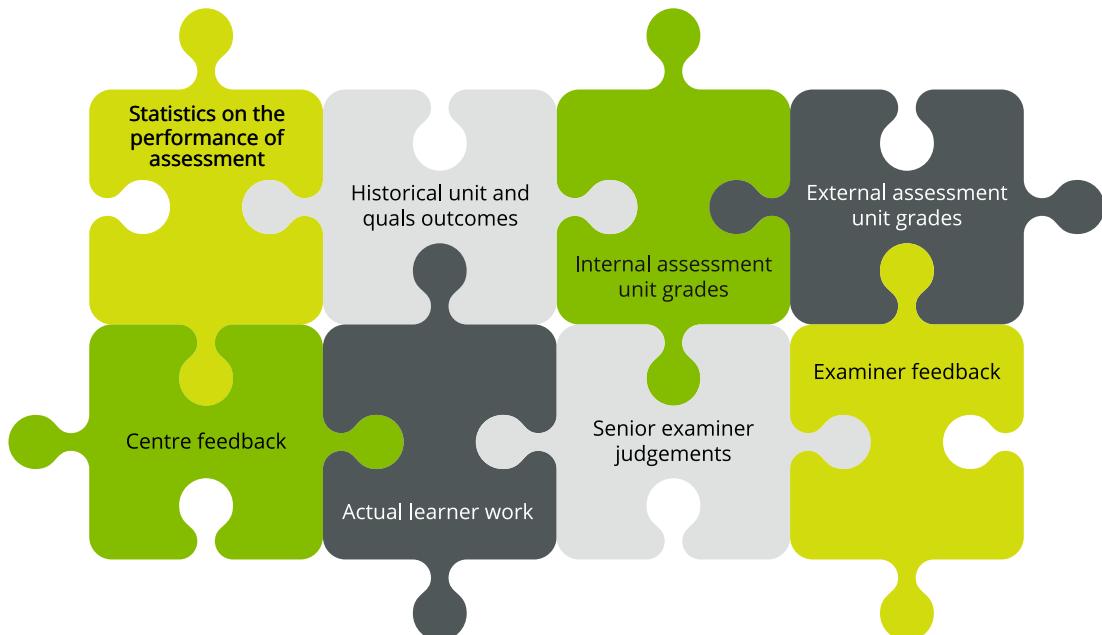


# How we will set Grade Boundaries for External Assessments in Summer 2025



A group of subject and technical experts set grade boundaries (the number of marks needed to achieve a certain grade) after each external assessment has taken place. They review a range of evidence to make sure there is fairness, validity and robustness in the grade boundaries recommended.

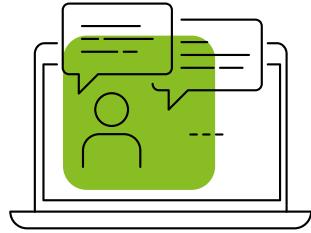
Just as for A levels and GCSEs, we use qualitative and quantitative information to guide us in how we set grade boundaries. The types of evidence the subject experts look at includes:



The subject experts make a final recommendation considering all the available pieces of evidence. The results are also discussed with other awarding organisations, with oversight from Ofqual.



# Appeals & further support



## Appeals

For BTEC results for May/June external assessments, the appeals process that is detailed in the [\*\*JCQ Guide to Awarding Bodies' Appeal Processes\*\*](#) will apply. We've also created an [\*\*Appeals Decision Tree\*\*](#) to help guide you.

## Further support

For the latest information on summer results, please visit our [\*\*Teaching, Learning and Assessment support page\*\*](#), or you can [\*\*contact us\*\*](#).

