

Assessment guidance
for centres during
Coronavirus (COVID-19)



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CiDA/DiDA
Level 1 and 2

Overview

Due to the decision being made to cancel all summer 2020 exams, centres will now submit centre assessment grades - this also applies to CiDA/DiDA Level 1 and Level 2. There is no longer a requirement for centres to submit marks or any evidence of candidate work for coursework or exam units to the exam board.

Centre Assessed Grades

The centre assessed grades (CAG) for each student for CiDA/DiDA Level 1 & Level 2 should be in the following grading format:

- A*
- A
- B
- C
- U

The grade descriptors for each qualification can be found with the following links:

- CiDA/DiDA Level 1 – Page 90 [here](#)
- CiDA/DiDA Level 2 – Page 95 [here](#)

There is no requirement to assess and mark work produced by candidates. Instead teachers should use their holistic judgement to calculate the estimated candidate grades, taking into account a variety of factors such as:

- classwork
- bookwork
- any non-exam assessment – whether or not complete
- the results of any assignments or mock exams
- any other records of student performance over the course of study
- previous examination results
- any other relevant information.

Rank Ordering

Centres will then need to provide a rank order for each grade. For example, if you have nine students with a CAG of “B” you need to rank them from 1 – 9 where 1 is the most secure “B” grade and 9 is the least secure. This should be done for all learners within each grade.

Please be advised that for CiDA/DiDA, the centre assessed grades are at qualification/cash-in level.

Teachers should use holistic and professional judgement to calculate the centre assessed grades and rank order.

When creating your rank order, teachers might consider the following:

- unit/component grades
- the quality and consistency of learner performance and assessment evidence
- appropriate qualitative teacher knowledge of related activities and programmes
- holding cross-team assessment meetings to refine and confirm the rank order.

Additional Guidance

The key dates and deadlines for CiDA/DiDA can be found [here](#).

Guidance for submitting the centre assessed grades can be found [here](#).