



Exams Update - Wednesday 4 June

Welcome to your regular roundup of all the important updates at Edexcel. [You can find all of our notices online](#)

New IT developments for Vocational Qualifications

We have recently written to your Head of Centre, announcing that we are introducing a new IT system - [Pearson Qualification Gateway](#) (PQG) - which will replace Edexcel Online.

The new system will be launched in the fourth quarter of 2014, initially to deliver all aspects of our Vocational suite of qualifications.

What's changing?

The new system will be much more reliable, flexible and intuitive, giving you a better experience in delivering our qualifications.



It will also treat learners as individuals by giving them their own profile on the system rather than seeing them as a candidate number or an entry for a qualification.

One of the key features of PQG is that it will consolidate all functions of our current systems into one, reducing confusion and the potential for data transfer issues. This will give all processes a more fluid and uniform feel as they are being developed with a single vision using the same basic framework.

What happens next?

There will be a dedicated support website which will provide you with access to a full suite of support materials and step-by-step video tutorials.

We will also be launching a series of live webinars which will help you and your staff to start familiarising themselves with this new system.

Over the coming few weeks we will be using this weekly Exams Update to communicate the timeline of activities which will assist you in planning for the transition to this new system.

New BTEC bulk certification claims service



The new BTEC bulk claims functionality, which allows you to claim for certification for more than one learner at the same time, is now live on Edexcel Online. If you're registered on Edexcel Online as an Exams Manager, Officer or Assistant you will already have access to this service.

For guidance on how to use this service watch our instructional video [here](#).

You can also refer to a guidance document 'How to bulk claim interim and full certificates on Edexcel Online' [here](#)



Receive paper results for the June 2014 exams series

To receive paper results for the June 2014 exams series you will need to opt-in before the 23 July 2014.

Please log into [Edexcel Online](#), select a qualification, hover over *Results* and in the drop down menu click *Report Delivery Options*. You can then select the documents you would like to receive in paper format and press 'Submit'.

You will need to do this for each qualification that you deliver.

BTEC drop in sessions for Heads of Departments



These free face-to-face events are designed for Heads of Departments at centres that are currently delivering BTEC Firsts and Nationals, and will cover the new changes to internal assessment rules as well the management and administration of your BTEC programme.

One-to-one appointments with the BTEC team are also available, either alongside or immediately after the main sessions. These sessions will be allocated on a first come, first served basis so early booking is advised.

For further details on how to book a place on these sessions please click [here](#).



Exams Update sign up form

If you have colleagues in your exams team that do not currently receive this update, but would find this information useful, they can now sign up to the mailing list [here](#).



NQF BTEC 2014/2015 external assessment timetables

We have now published the exam timetable for NQF BTEC paper-based exams and set tasks for 2014/2015.

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