Delivering BTEC
during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

September 2020 to August 2021

Dance
Guidance for BTEC Firsts, Nationals, Tech Award and Industry Skills

Teaching and learning guidance

Last updated 25 January 2021
Introduction

It is expected that COVID-19 will continue to impact upon teaching, learning and assessment through the academic year, impacting those learners who are part-way through their qualifications and those who are commencing this academic year. We are committed to ensuring that learners continue to benefit from the breadth of content of BTEC qualifications through adaptations in teaching and learning.

This document is intended to provide you with guidance for how you might adapt delivery for the sector's BTEC qualifications in the academic year of 2020-2021.

We continue to work with our regulators and relevant sector bodies on any possible adaptations or accommodations in line with the OFQUAL and DfE consultations.

Key aspects such as social distancing, safety, lost teaching time, subject content and practical activities have been considered from a sector perspective for your reference. However, it should be noted that all of the guidance provided here must only be followed within the context of the guidance issued by your own centre, relevant governing and industry bodies, local and national government.

For further advice and guidance, please refer to the Teaching, Learning and Assessment pages on Pearson's website or contact us via the Customer Support portal.

We look forward to continuing to support you and your learners throughout this challenging time and wish you well for the coming year.
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Overview

Adaptations to Assessments in 2021

Please refer to the assessment section on the 2020/2021 Teaching and Assessment page, for adaptations to assessments and qualifications for the 2021 Academic Year. Here you will find:

- External Assessment Adaptations
- Tech Award Assessment Evidence Adaptations
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Please note that not all qualifications will be adapted, and it is important that you refer to the relevant adaptation guidance for 2021.

Some qualifications will not be adapted for one of the following reasons:

- An adaptation would impact the reliability and validity of the qualification
- The qualification is a licence to practice or primary purpose is progression to the workplace

Please note all adaptations apply to assessments completed by 31 July 2021.
Creative sectors update 25 January 2021

We recognise that circumstances have become increasingly challenging within the creative sectors since these guides were last updated and that access to resources and specialist facilities has been, and continues to be, significantly impacted. This update confirms further reductions to assessment workloads as detailed within the Reduced Assessment Guide and provides more specific detail for the BTEC L3 career-focused qualifications and BTEC L2 Skills qualifications.

We understand and appreciate that you will be adapting learning, teaching and assessment activities to allow as much work as possible to take place at home. However, we also acknowledge that learner evidence is likely to be more limited in terms of the amount of exploration, range, depth and technical quality, for example, than might normally be expected and learners should not be penalised for these limitations.

We would like to reassure you that we are continuing to monitor the situation and review the adaptations necessary in consultation with Ofqual.
Social Distance / Safety
Dance is one of the activities, along with Performing Arts, Music and Sports, which have been placed in the latter stages of the recovery from COVID-19 lockdown; aspects of the subject fits in with Performing Arts whilst other aspects sit in line with some sports in terms of physical activity.

For practical work in performing arts, as of July 2020, suggestions for effective social distancing include learners being in 3m x 3m squares, with a 2m corridor between each square.

There is also government guidance on working safely in performing arts during COVID-19 in respect of singing and the risks to those performing and attending events involving singing, due to the effects of cumulative aerosol transmission.

Centres should access the detailed and updated guidance on working safely and mitigating potential risk, provided by DCMS for professionals and non-professionals: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/performing-arts

Vocal projection used in most vocal work would also fit within this guidance. Additionally, strenuous activity where learners are breathing heavily can spread the virus droplets further than ‘resting’ levels. This government guidance will continue to be updated as understanding of safety in the performing arts develops, and schools and colleges offering specialist provision in dance, drama and music should consider this guidance.

The implications of the current guidance are as follows:

- Reduced numbers in classes due to available space and the consequential monetary implications/timetabling for centres.

- Implications for contact work, proxemics and relationships in performance and devising. This will have a large impact on mandatory and external units/components where group work is at the heart of devising work.
• Implications for multi-disciplinary work in the development of performance work. Potentially this might limit dancers who are preparing for careers in both contemporary and commercial industries, e.g. physical theatre and musical theatre.

• Avoidance of going “full out” in rehearsals and performance will have an impact on the quality of learners’ performance skills and therefore achievement of the criteria. In order to improve, learners need to apply skills at the highest level they can, review and then apply feedback. Holding back on the application of performance skills prevents learners from setting appropriate targets for improvement as they would never know their full capacity. This also will impact on the development of skills over time as well as general stamina and fitness.

For the Tech Award and RQF 2016 Nationals, social distancing will impact on the learner’s knowledge and skills for their synoptic externally assessed components/units, where group work is integral, e.g. Component 3 and Unit 3.

Social distancing in the dance studio will also come with additional challenges:

• Keeping clean the floor and ballet barres between classes and how this will impact on the time spent in the dance studio.

• Ensuring shared props or equipment are cleaned between use

• Considering keeping learners in dance shoes or trainers, which is not always appropriate for some dance styles, e.g. contemporary dance.

• Limited travelling work whilst learners keep to their own squares.

• Considering use of changing rooms and how this will impact on the time spent in the dance studio.

For all units/components where learners have to perform to an audience, it should be generally accepted that this will be to the teacher and camera or a small invited socially distant audience, until government guidance on theatres and audiences allows for performance to a live audience.
Lost time teaching

All learners should have received a remote education during the lockdown. There could be a wide gap in the learning and teaching experience of learners across the country, depending on a variety of factors such as availability of staff and the centre’s individual approach to the lockdown. The majority of centres seem to have persevered in the delivery of the qualification content throughout the lockdown, with some attempting assessment where achievable.

Some centres delivering two-year courses have either selected units/components more suited to remote teaching and/or spent time in preparing learners for assessment. The latter could mean that the second year of delivery will have more assessments than the original assessment plan.

Learners during the first year of their course, would have experienced a dance education during the lockdown, but not necessarily dance technique classes where the teacher can provide individualised feedback for improvement. Lack of dance technique classes will impact on overall achievement on qualifications and standards in dance, as a part of dance training is the regular and consistent participation in technique classes which strengthens and conditions a dancer’s key musculature.

Flexibility of delivery and assessment

The majority of units/components can be completed with social distancing or with remote learning or with blended approaches to teaching and learning, bar one exception (see table below).

Many units across all qualifications have an emphasis on group work or require performances to be in a range of group sizes. To support centres, the opportunity has been considered to complete the requirements of the units through solo work, or where possible, work in smaller sized groups or pairs for the academic year 2020/2021.

Socially distanced group work can still take place. This might however require the use of technology beyond the normal skill requirements of dance teachers or practical application of skills might be limited within their socially distant boxes/areas. Group work in this setting could explore timing through techniques such as canon, call and response and relationships. Either way, with no contact, group work and the skills required to perform group work
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might not be fully developed or explored. Whilst this could impact on elements of the qualification, including synoptic external assessment, as many qualifications are delivered over two years, there is a good possibility that learners will have experienced group work at some point through their course.

There could be concern with regard to gathering evidence on the development of skills, a requirement for Component 2 of the Tech Award; Unit 2 Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance and the optional dance styles units for RQF Level 3, BTEC Firsts Unit 4 Dance Skills and some units from the QCF 2010 BTEC qualifications.

Particularly, the issue being whether all learners have the capacity to video record themselves completing an exercise routine or technique class exercises at home if delivering remotely and how to share this with their centre. This is an individualised issue which can be addressed by the respective centres. For example, many learners between 14 – 16 have use or access to Smart Phones where, with wi-fi access, can share videos for free without using data. However, if learners have no access to a device to video record themselves nor have internet access at home, a variety of different approaches could be used to support learners in generating the evidence.

What is important to retain the validity of the sector's qualifications?

Across internal units/components within all qualifications for Dance, whilst teaching and learning will be conducted differently, most of the essential content of units can still be covered, especially with slight adaptations. Centres may find that units which focus on choreography are more difficult to achieve through social distancing and remote learning and therefore other optional units could be selected instead.

Are there other methodologies that can be used to support the purpose of the qualification?

The delivery methodologies currently in place are all still appropriate to use for the completion of the qualification.

Centres should be advised to avoid “long and thin” delivery as this could compromise sufficient evidence being produced to justify awarding the qualification and localised lockdowns may occur throughout the year, so a more flexible approach to assessment planning will be required.

As the BTEC Performing Arts qualifications have considerable scope for an integrated approach to the
delivery and assessment of units, this may be particularly beneficial in maximising the use of time and resources, and where teaching and learning leading to formal assessment cover the content and assessment requirements of linked units through common projects.

A similarly holistic approach to programme design during the delivery of internally assessed units would provide scope for learners to engage with relevant content and skills development to support them with the externally assessed units/components. For example, choices of repertoire and practitioners, collaborative and devising skills etc, can be addressed through delivery of internal units in preparation towards the requirements of external assessments.

In the cases of some optional units, if social distancing and resourcing issues make delivery problematic, it may be necessary to replace the units in question with other units which are permissible within the programme's combination of units, or can be imported through Meeting Local Needs (for qualifications where MLN is applicable).

Whilst we do not expect centres to video record all practical sessions, it will be highly beneficial for centres to ensure they capture what they can to create a ‘bank of evidence’ as the learners progress, should another lockdown be necessary.
# Unit Delivery Guidance

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<tr>
<th>Unit Title</th>
<th>Remote delivery possible (✔ / X)</th>
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<th>Main Type of Evidence (knowledge application), (blend), (skills developed over time)</th>
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<td>Unit 1: Individual Showcase (external)</td>
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<td>Unit requires solo performance work and an individual written letter of application. Teaching can be a combination of remote and socially distanced learning. During teaching and learning, learners can develop and refine skills in a studio-based socially distanced setting and/or remotely with teacher instruction.</td>
<td>No adaptations to the external assessment of this unit.</td>
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<td>Unit 2: Preparation, Performance and Production</td>
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<td>Can be solo work, but some group work in preparation of showcasing the work would be required. For example, working together to plan and put on a showcase of solo work with a running theme or socially distanced small group work.</td>
<td>Can be solo work, but some group work in preparation of showcasing the work would be required. Performances can be live or remote (recorded or streaming). Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<th>Unit</th>
<th>Suitable for remote delivery of industry knowledge and understanding. Lectures, research and formative/mock assessments can all be delivered remotely.</th>
<th>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</th>
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<td>Unit 4: Dance Skills</td>
<td>Can be solo or socially distanced group work for performance. Studio/workshop work would need to adhere to social distancing and safety, with potential for learners to develop individual skills remotely through programmes of activity.</td>
<td>LA-A: No adaptation LA-B: Solo or socially distanced group rehearsals and performance. Performances can be live in-studio or remote (recorded or online streaming). Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<td>Unit 8: Performing Arts Industry (external)</td>
<td>Suitable for remote delivery of industry knowledge and understanding. Lectures, research and formative/mock assessments can all be delivered remotely.</td>
<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</td>
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<td>Unit 9: Performance in Context</td>
<td>Suitable for remote and socially distant activities.</td>
<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</td>
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<td>Unit 31: Community Arts</td>
<td>Knowledge based elements (LA-A) can be delivered remotely. Choice of community arts project should be scrutinised in line with the government guidelines. Learners could complete the project within the centre using socially distanced activity or online collaboration. Also, the unit lends itself to the possibility to explore online engagement with the community.</td>
<td>LA-A can be assessed using evidence produced remotely. LA-B assesses contribution to group activity which can be assessed during socially distanced group work at the centre and/or through remote collaboration online. LA-C could be assessed through solo or socially distanced group performance in an online event or simulated community event in-studio. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<td><strong>Unit 37: Enterprise in the Performing Arts</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Units 10, 16, 17, 18 (movement and dance style technique units)</strong></td>
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Sufficient performance time / role to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.
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<th>Unit 11: Devising Performance Work</th>
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<th>Socially distanced group work, or online collaborative work. Performances may be socially distanced, online and/or solo elements within a collaborative devised work.</th>
<th>Solo or socially distanced group performance work accepted. Performances can be live or remote (recorded or streaming). Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No change to the unit’s recommended minimum performance time of 5 mins.</th>
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<td>Unit 12: Exploring Improvisation</td>
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<td>Whilst achievable, could be problematic as interactions are required which can have limitations when developing and performing improvisation skills at a distance from one another. Use of props including masks and costumes should be carefully controlled with safety and hygiene principles and avoid sharing.</td>
<td>Solo work in assessment could be limiting, but socially distanced group/pair work could be feasible although limited. Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<td>Unit 13: Multimedia Performance</td>
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<td>Solo work, socially distanced or online group performance work accepted. Development of skills can be through a blend of socially distanced workshop activity with potential for remote collaborative work.</td>
<td>Solo or socially distanced group performance work accepted. Performances can be live or remote (recorded or streaming). Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<th>Unit 30: Choreographing Dance</th>
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<th>Solo choreographies accepted. Exploring some group choreographic devices may be difficult if remote or socially distanced. Avoid large group choreographies.</th>
<th>Choreography of solo works will be accepted for this adaptation. Choreographers can work socially distanced with their dancer(s), avoiding close physical contact and risk of aerosol transmissions. Assessed performance for LA-B only needs take place in a single space and does not require a group choreography.</th>
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<td>Unit 35: Physical Theatre Performance</td>
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<td>Not all physical theatre techniques can be fully realised through social distancing or remotely, so content may not be fully covered. Vocal work and work involving contact could be restricted (centres should consult up to date DCMS guidance).</td>
<td>It is advisable to replace this unit with another unit more suitable for assessment during COVID-19 precautions as solo work is likely to be limiting in terms of covering and assessing the content.</td>
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<td>Unit 36: Variety Performance</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote activities including skills development and refinement, depending on the type of variety act chosen.</td>
<td>No adaptation to written/knowledge-based assessment (LA-A) Solo or socially distanced group performance. Performances can be live or remote (recorded or streaming). Audience can be the teacher/assessor. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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### Unit 40: Singing Skills in the Performing Arts

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Singing activity should be undertaken in line with government guidance (see the ‘Social Distance / Safety’ section above. Up to date guidance can be accessed at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/working-safely-during-coronavirus-covid-19/performing-arts
Remote solo work could be undertaken including skills development and refinement. Group singing would be different online but could be feasible depending on resources.

Due to risks inherent in ensemble singing and if ensemble work cannot be undertaken, the following adaptations to assessment apply:
LA-A (develop skills and review own progress) can be undertaken as solo activity – no change.
LA-B (solo skills in rehearsal and performance) is a solo activity and can be assessed as stipulated (with a minimum of two contrasting solo pieces – no change.
LA-C (ensemble skills in rehearsal and performance): this assessment requirement is removed unless remote ensemble work can be facilitated.

### Unit 14: Voice and Speech for Performers

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LA-A is more suited to remote learning. LA-B could be solo work, collaborative work performed remotely (e.g. a radio play), performed outdoors or performed remotely.

LA-A can be undertaken solo and assessed remotely or at the centre socially-distanced. LA-B can be solo or group work performed remotely or outdoors and recorded using video, streaming or audio. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.
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<th>Unit 15: Performing Scripted Plays</th>
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<th>Solo works could be rehearsed and performances recorded for camera. Alternatively, socially distanced work can be attempted with pairs / small groups.</th>
<th>Solo or socially distanced group work. Rehearsal, development and performance work recorded on video, or remotely using streaming or social media. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria. Audience can be the teacher/assessor.</th>
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<td>Unit 38: Use of ICT in the Performing Arts</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote and socially distanced work as well as balancing out use of studio space for practical work</td>
<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</td>
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<td>Unit 39: Work Experience in the Performing Arts</td>
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<td>Many work placements would not be open or be willing to introduce an additional person to set bubbles.</td>
<td>Assessment opportunities for this unit are unlikely during COVID-19 precautions. In the event of work experience being available, there are no adaptations to the assessment of this unit.</td>
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## BTEC Level 3 Nationals in Performing Arts (2016 RQF): Dance

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<th>Unit 1 Investigating Practitioners’ Work (external)</th>
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<th>Teaching and learning can be in-class, remote activity or a blended approach of lectures, online lectures, guided research and investigation. Mock assessments can be socially distanced following centre guidelines.</th>
<th>There are no adaptations to the external assessment of this unit.</th>
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| **Unit 2: Developing Skills and Techniques for Live Performance** | ✔ | ✔ | LA-A can be covered remotely. For LA B, C and D, solo work would be accepted. Development of practical performance skills may need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Live performance work could be to a limited audience or to a teacher. | LA-A No adaptation  
LA-B/C Solo work can be accepted or socially distanced group work / pair work.  
No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria.  
Audience can be the teacher/assessor.  
LA-D Performance Log/Review of own development - no adaptation but centres should consider ‘milestone’ logs (3 – 4 in total)  
*Unit 34 (Ext Cert in Performance only): LA-D not applicable. |
| **Unit 3 Group Performance Workshop (external)** | ✔ | ✔ | Skills development and collaborative working can be delivered through socially distanced workshop activity (in small groups/pairs) and collaborative online remote activity where possible. | Release set task 4 weeks earlier to allow centres additional time to deliver the assessment.  
Amended group size from 3-7 performers to 2-7 performers in each group.  
Amended minimum performance times to 6 mins for 2 performers and 8 mins for groups sizes of 3 or more performers.  
20 mins maximum performance time remains unchanged. |
<p>| Unit 4: Performing Arts in the Community | ✔ | ✔ | LA-A (knowledge) can be delivered remotely. For LA-B/C the choice of community arts project should be scrutinised in line with the government guidelines. Learners could complete the project within the centre rather than taking it out to the community working collaboratively in a socially distant environment and/or remote collaborative work. Consideration can be given as to how to reach out to target audiences remotely. It may be a performance developed by groups through blended learning and recorded for online streaming. Solo performances can be accepted so long as the work has been developed as part of a collaborative process. | LA-A No adaptation LA-B/C Learners should collaborate with others (socially distanced and/or remotely) in responding to a community performance brief and planning/developing the performance. Solo or socially distanced group work can be accepted for the assessed performance. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria. Audience can be the teacher/assessor. LA-D Performance Log/Review of Own Development no adaptation but centres should consider ‘milestone’ logs (3 – 4 in total) |
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| Unit 5: Individual Performance Commission (external) | ✔ | ✔ | Unit requires a solo/individual response so practical skills development and formative assessments can take place in socially distanced settings and/or remotely with regular ‘check-ins’ with teachers. Knowledge can be delivered remotely through online presentations and guided research. | Written proposal – no adaptation and word count of 2500 words remains Length of solo performance reduced from 5 – 8 mins to 3 – 6 mins. |</p>
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<th>Unit 6: Final Live Performance to an Audience</th>
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<th>Consider leaving this unit until towards the end of the course where social distancing measures might be reduced. This unit is suitable for integration with other internally assessed units. Solo work can be suitable (if group performance is not possible), or socially distanced group work, or a theme which can tie all performances together through a showcase. Can be applied to all types of performance opportunities, e.g. online, recorded or socially distant.</th>
<th>LA-A No adaptation  LA-B/C Solo work can be accepted or socially distanced group work / pair work. No minimum performance time is stipulated for this unit, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow opportunity to access the full range of criteria. Audience can be the teacher/assessor and the performance can be live or recorded online or streamed. LA-D Performance Log/Review of Own Development no adaptation but centres should consider ‘milestone’ logs (3 – 4 in total)</th>
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<td>Unit 7: Employment Opportunities in the Performing Arts (external)</td>
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<td>Requires an individual response. Teaching can be centre-based with remote learning possible to cover knowledge/research into industry and organisations. Learners will be assembling material for their promotional portfolio during the programme. Some skills development in self-promotion can be addressed through online learning.</td>
<td>No adaptation to Activity 1 (written response) of up to 2000 words. Reduced requirement for video material as part of the Digital Promotional Portfolio (Activity 2) to 2 pieces of recorded materials appropriate to the employment opportunity.</td>
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<th>Solo performance work, socially distanced group work or group performance on an online platform. Development of practical performance skills may need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Live performance work could be to a limited audience or to a teacher.</th>
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<td>Unit 14: Choreography for Live Performance</td>
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<td>Avoid large group projects for the learner choreography. Remote learning is doable but there are more constraints here, as learners have to choreograph on others, which would require close collaboration. Collaboration may be with just one other dancer and can be through online platforms or socially distanced studio work on a rota basis.</td>
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<td>LA-B/C Choreography of solo works, duets or trios will be accepted for this adaptation. Choreographers can work socially distanced with their dancer(s), avoiding close physical contact and risk of aerosol transmissions. Assessment evidence can be produced in-studio with social distancing and/or, if possible, remotely using online collaboration.</td>
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<td>LA-D No adaptation</td>
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### Unit 21 Improvisation

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This unit can be combined with others, such as Unit 2 and Unit 14. Group work is key to the unit, but online platforms or socially distanced studio work could be used. Contact improvisation should be avoided.

LA-A No adaptation
LA-B/C Solo work would not be effective for the assessment of this unit. Group activity in development and performance of improvisation skills can be assessed with social distancing and/or remote group activity using online platforms. AAB for Unit 21 suggests performance of 15 – 30 mins, but for this adaptation the minimum performance time can be 5 mins. Audience can be the teacher/assessor or an audience for a live streamed event.
LA-D No adaptation.

### Unit 22 Movement in Performance

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This unit can be combined with others, such as Unit 2 and Unit 14. Online or socially distanced studio work could be used to deliver and assess this unit.

LA-A No adaptation although may assessment need to allow for limitations on practical exploration of RADS due to Covid-19 precautions.
LA-B/C Adaptations to development and application of movement skills may need to include distanced approaches to relationships and some physical contact work may not be possible. Skills development for LA-B can be evidenced through the rehearsal of material performed for LA-C
Unit guidance suggests development and performance of a 3-5 min piece and no adaptation to this timing is necessary. The audience can be the teacher/assessor.
LA-D Performance log/Review of own development - no adaptation but centres should consider ‘milestone’ logs (3 – 4 in total)
| Unit 28: Variety Performance | ✔ | ✔ | Solo work acceptable. Development of practical variety performance skills may need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practice undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Consideration might be given to performances of solo acts as part of an online variety show. | LA-A No adaptation  
LA-B/C Solo work is possible for assessment of this unit. Skills development for LA-B can be evidenced through the rehearsal of material performed for LA-C and can be assessed remotely through recordings and/or in the studio. Performance can be a recording, or streamed performance online. Unit suggests performance time of 3 – 5 mins and there is no change for this adaptation.  
LA-D: No adaptation but centres should consider ‘milestone’ logs (3 – 4 in total) |
<p>| Unit 1: Performance Workshop | ✔ | ✔ | Online, recorded or socially distanced performances can be developed. Group collaboration when developing performance material can be achieved remotely, blended with socially distanced studio/workshop small group activity where possible. | Reduce requirement for learners to take part in 2 workshop performances to 1 workshop performance. The workshop performance can be either a pre-existing work or an original work. Performance can be socially distanced in the studio, online using streaming or recorded/edited from remote contributions. Unit does not suggest minimum performance times, but learners should have sufficient performance time to have opportunity to access the full range of criteria. Audience can be the teacher/assessor. |
| Unit 3: Performing Arts Business | ✔ | ✔ | Suitable for independent and remote learning. | No adaptation to the assessment for this unit |
| Unit 4: The Historical Context of Performance | ✔ | ✔ | Suitable for independent and remote learning. | No adaptation to the assessment for this unit |
| Unit 5: Rehearsing for Performance | ✔ | ✔ | Integrates with the preparation/rehearsal process for most performance-based units. Performances and rehearsals may be online/recorded or socially distanced. Video footage of milestone rehearsals can include the learners own independent rehearsals. Nature of the rehearsal activity would depend on the style of performance and the unit(s) to which Unit 5 is linked. | This unit assesses the rehearsal process for work produced for another mandatory or optional unit. Depending on the performance being rehearsed, rehearsal evidence may include logs, blogs, vlogs and recordings of rehearsals in studios (with social distancing) and/or remote activity undertaken individually or in groups through an online platform. |</p>
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<th>Unit 7: Performing to Audience</th>
<th>✓</th>
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<th>Audience can be teacher only. A Dance on Camera project would be accepted as the ‘audience’ is the camera. Solo work would be accepted or socially distanced group work, duets, etc. Nature of the late stage rehearsal and performance activity would depend on the style and medium of performance, and teaching and assessment of ‘performance discipline’ for LO4 would need to be within this context.</th>
<th>Adaptations can be in the form of socially distanced group performance, solo performance, performance to, or for camera. Audience can be the teacher/assessor or an audience watching a recorded or streamed performance online. Assessment of LO4 ‘performance discipline’ will need to be considered within the context of the performance medium and performance conditions.</th>
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<td>Units 39 and 40</td>
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<td>Avoid large group choreographies in preference of solos, duets and trios with social distancing in classes and workshops. Different choreographic briefs/settings for Unit 40 could include an audition solo, Dance on Camera, an online choreographic platform or site-specific performance.</td>
<td>Choreography of solo works, duets or trios will be accepted for this adaptation. Choreographers can work socially distanced with their dancer(s), avoiding close physical contact and risk of aerosol transmissions. Assessment evidence can be produced in-studio with social distancing and/or, if possible, remotely using online collaboration. Unit 39 suggests learners produce at least two pieces of choreography lasting 2 – 3 mins. For this adaptation, learners may produce 1 piece of choreography lasting 2 -3 mins. Unit 40 requires choreography in 2 different styles and there is no change to this requirement although it is not necessary to use different performing spaces for the different choreographies.</td>
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<td>Technique / Performance units Units 38, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 52</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td>Solo performance work, socially distanced group work or group</td>
<td>Assessment of ongoing exploration, practise and development of performance skills can be assessed in...</td>
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<p>| Performance on an online platform. Development of practical performance skills may need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. | class/studio, where social distancing and hygiene/safety can be maintained and/or through solo remote activity captured online or on camera. Assessed performances can be solo works, duets or trios and can be live performances in-studio or performance captured on camera or Dance for Camera. Audience can be the teacher/assessor. Unit 38 requires 3 dance styles each lasting 2 – 3 mins. For this adaptation, assessment can be 1 dance style, solo, duet or trio and lasting 2 -3 mins. Unit 43 requires 2 performances each lasting 2 -3 minutes. For this adaptation assessment can be 1 performance lasting 2 -3 mins. Unit 44 requires 3 performances each lasting at least 3 mins. For this adaptation, assessment can be 1 performance of at least 3 mins. Unit 45 requires learners are assessed on 3 full class activities. For this adaptation learners can be assessed on 1 full class activity or performance of sufficient length to allow learners to access the full range of criteria. Unit 46 requires a minimum of 3 contemporary pieces each lasting 2 -3 mins. For this adaptation learners can be assessed on 1 performance lasting 2 - 3 mins. Unit 47 requires 1 performance in 1 jazz style. Unit 48 requires 2 tap routines each lasting 2 -3 minutes. For this adaptation learners can be assessed on 1 tap routine lasting 2 – 3 mins. |</p>
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<th>Unit 41: Dance Improvisation</th>
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<th>More effective if delivered in studio/workshops with social distancing. Contact improvisation should be avoided unless government/industry guidance dictates otherwise. Remote activity can be used in teaching and learning with online instruction.</th>
<th>Solo work can be accepted for this unit but could be limiting. Where social distancing is possible, duo, trio or small group work can be assessed. If remote activity is necessary, exploration and development of improvisation skills can be captured on camera and the learner's reflective log. Unit does not suggest minimum performance times, but learners should have sufficient performance time to have opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</th>
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<td>Unit 42: The Healthy Performer</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote learning, with learners providing where possible their own video footage of their progress in fitness plans.</td>
<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit.</td>
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<td>Unit 49: Developing Movement Skills</td>
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<td>These units can be combined with others, such as Unit 33. Online or socially distanced studio work could be used to deliver and assess this unit.</td>
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<td>No adaptations for assessment of units 49 and 50, although exploration and assessment of RADS work may be limited, particularly Relationships in movement which can be through socially distanced work focusing on relationship elements that do not include physical contact and close proximity. Unit 50 requires collaborative work which may be limited where contact work and close proximity present risk (including aerosol transmissions). Work on developing a performance can be carried out remotely using an online platform, or socially distanced in-studio work. Solo work and socially distanced group work may be possible depending on the style and nature of the movement-based/physical theatre work being developed. Performances can be recorded in studio with social distancing or remotely using online platforms. Audience can be the teacher/assessor.</td>
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<td>Unit 51: International Dance</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote learning. Can be in the form of solo performances in the different styles.</td>
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<td>✔️</td>
<td>Solo work or socially distanced group work are acceptable. The assessed performance can be in-studio or recorded remotely on camera or online streaming. Unit requires 2 performances each lasting 2-3 mins. For this adaptation, learners can perform 1 international dance lasting 2-3 mins.</td>
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<td>Unit 53: Exploring Contact Improvisation</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Learners will not be able to complete this unit at all under social distancing or remote learning and it is advised to select an alternative unit.</td>
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<td>Centres are advised to select an alternative optional unit.</td>
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<th>Unit 54: Dance Appreciation</th>
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<th>Practical work could be solo work or socially distanced group work. Remainder of the unit lends itself to remote learning.</th>
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<td>Assessment of practical work (criteria PMD 4 and 5) can be in-studio solo or duet, trio, etc, with social distancing, or assessed remotely with work recorded on camera or online streaming. Unit requires appreciation and practical realisation of 2 contrasting professional works for GC4 and creation of a new work for GC5. For this adaptation learners can reproduce 1 piece of professional work lasting 2–3 mins and create 1 new choreography (for self or other) for another work lasting 1–2 minutes.</td>
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<th>Unit 102 Site Specific Performance</th>
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<th>Underpinning knowledge can be delivered through remote teaching. Practical activity including risk assessing and performing is potentially problematic due to the logistics of securing a site for the performance. A socially distanced outdoor event may be possible. Collaborative, or solo work can be accepted, potentially even live-art/installation activity minimising the need for live performers.</th>
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<td>LO 1 (research and understanding can be assessed remotely). There may be limitations on sites which can be accessed for assessment purposes (including assessing the learners’ application of skills and knowledge during risk assessment, conditions of use, and performance). Where a site can be secured, no adaptation to assessment should be necessary provided that the site is a safe and viable location for performance.</td>
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<th>Unit 104: Special Subject Investigation</th>
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<th>Ideal for remote learning. Also has good potential for learning in centres where practical space is limited and learners are split across classrooms and studio spaces.</th>
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<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</td>
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<th>Unit 106: Marketing for the Performing Arts</th>
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<th>Suitable for independent and remote learning.</th>
<th>No adaptation for this unit although for assessment purposes it may be necessary to base marketing on a simulation or case-study rather than an actual performance event.</th>
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<td>Unit 74 Working Freelance in the Performing and Production Arts</td>
<td>✔</td>
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<td>Suitable for independent and remote learning.</td>
<td>No adaptations necessary as this unit is suitable for assessment remotely, at the centre or through a blended approach. Regular individual tutorials will be necessary during the assessment of the unit, but this should not compromise the BTEC internal assessment rules.</td>
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<td>Unit 75 Legal Aspects in Performing Arts and Production Arts</td>
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<td>Suitable for independent and remote learning.</td>
<td>Knowledge and understanding (LO1) can be assessed remotely. Where an actual production is not possible, application of legal requirements can be assessed remotely based on learners’ responses (planning, research and implementation) for a series of case-studies and scenarios reflecting production situations where consideration and implementation of legal requirements is necessary.</td>
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## BTEC Tech Award in Performing Arts

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<th>Component 1: Exploring the Performing Arts</th>
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Suitable for remote learning. Teaching and learning can be in-class, remote activity or a blended approach of in-class teaching, online teaching, guided research and investigation into selected repertoire.

Most practical exploration activity carried out as part of teaching and learners’ explorations, can feasibly be delivered remotely or socially distanced. For the purpose of this Component it is not necessary to submit video evidence of practical explorations, as criteria could be awarded for written/presentation based evidence of learners articulating how exploration has informed their understanding.

This component can be assessed remotely or in a socially-distanced class/studio setting.

The following adaptations apply to the assessment of this component:

Learning Aim A: Examination of performing arts works reduced to 1 performing arts work in 1 performance style.

Learning Aim B: Exploration of skills, processes and approaches used in creating performance work reduced to 1 performing arts work with reference to 1 or more examples from the work.
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<th>Component 2: Developing Skills and Techniques in the Performing Arts</th>
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<th>May need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Can be solo work or elements of a group piece performed as a solo.</th>
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<td>Component 3: Responding to a Brief</td>
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<td>Skills development and collaborative working can be delivered through socially distanced workshop activity (in small groups/pairs) and collaborative online remote activity where possible.</td>
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The following adaptations apply to the assessment of this component:
- Assessment reduced to Learning Aim B only (the performance/design realisation). Performances can be a 1.5 minute (minimum) solo performance, or presentation of production design elements that have been realised; or a duo performance of 2 minutes (minimum), or a group performance of 2 minutes (minimum); social distancing permitting. These are minimum performance timings and centres should ensure learners have sufficient performance time to have opportunity to access the full range of criteria. Performances may be live or remote (streamed or recorded). The audience can be the teacher/assessor.

Release set task 3 weeks earlier to allow a longer assessment window. Reduced group size to 2 – 7 performers with up to 4 designers per group. Minimum performance time reduced to 3 – 10 mins for performers. Designers pitch/presentation lasts 5 – 10 mins (no change) Learners will collaborate in groups to respond to the set task/theme but the recorded performance can include solos related to the group response. No change to requirement for written logs.
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**BTEC Nationals in Performing Arts Practice (2019)**

*NEW* Adaptations for Level 3 career focused qualifications in Performing Arts Practice

All learning and teaching modules should still be taught. There are currently in-unit/module adaptations in this guide. However, as of 25 January 2021, there are also options for reducing assessment in the more practical units as below. These adaptations allow centres and learners to spend more time focusing on developing the skills required to progress and make up for lost contact time. The assessment reduction ensures that at least one assessment must come from each learning and teaching module to ensure the validity and breadth of the qualifications are retained, whilst also supporting more parity with similar Level 3 programmes. We will continue to monitor the situation and further adaptations may be introduced in the event of further lockdowns or restrictions.

**Foundation Diploma**

All content must be taught. **A reduction in assessment of up to one assessment unit from the Skills Development module** may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021.

For example, this could mean learners complete a combination of assessment units as follows:

- A1, A2 and F16
- A1, A3 and F16
- A2, A3 and F16.

Please replace A for B, C, D, E to apply the adaptation to the relevant pathway.

**Extended Diploma**

All content must be taught. **A reduction in assessment of up to two assessment units, but not including F16**, may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021. This means that learners will need to complete assessment for 8 of the 10 assessment units, one of which must be F16.

Examples of some possible combinations are as follows:

- A1, A2, A3, F16, G17, G18, H20, H21
- A1, A2, A3, F16, G17, G19, H20, H22
- A1, A2, A3, F16, G18 G19, H21, H22
- A1, A2, F16, G18, G19, H20, H21, H22.

Please replace A for B, C, D, E to apply the adaptation to the relevant pathway.
### BTEC Nationals in Performing Arts Practice (2019)

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<td><strong>C7: Exploring Performance Styles</strong></td>
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<td>May need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Performance of the two required styles can be in-studio, solo choreography projects or remote/socially distanced group work. Skills development and performances can be solo work carried out remotely and/or socially distanced duo/trio/small-group work in the studio. Centres may wish to consider the use of integrated assignments with Skills Development Module units C8 and/or C9, which would allow for the two performance styles required for this unit to be integrated with another assessed performance, thus reducing the number of assessed performances required across the module.</td>
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<td><strong>C8: Creating Performance Material</strong></td>
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<td>Solo choreography projects or remote/socially distanced group work. Group collaboration when developing performance material can be achieved in part remotely, blended with socially distanced studio/workshop small group activity where possible. Assessment for this unit can be solo and/or socially distanced due/trio/small-group choreographies in the studio. Collaboration can be undertaken remotely but this may be limiting, unless part of a blended approach. The Example Assignment Brief suggests a minimum performance time of 3 mins and whilst the unit itself does not suggest minimum performance times, learners should have sufficient performance time in the choreographed work to allow them opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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### C9: Performing as a Dancer as Part of an Ensemble

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<td>Group collaboration when developing and performing ensemble material can be achieved in part remotely, blended with socially distanced studio/workshop small group activity where possible. Performance can be in-studio to a teacher. Consider possible integration of this unit with Unit(s) C7/C8.</td>
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<td>Assessment for this unit should ideally be socially distanced small group work in the studio. Group collaboration can be undertaken remotely with learners producing individual/solo performance contributions to an ensemble piece. Unit does not suggest minimum performance times, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow them opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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### Module F: The Performing Arts Industry

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<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote learning with learners carrying out and monitoring their skills development remotely in accordance with their professional development plan and programme. Personal project can be carried out remotely with learners accessing available resources such as a site-specific work.</td>
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<td>Group collaboration in creative and administrative roles when developing and performing a collaborative work can, if necessary, be achieved remotely in part, blended with socially distanced studio/workshop small group activity where possible. Performance can be in-studio to a teacher or can be achieved through curating an online festival of creative work, for example.</td>
<td>Assessment for this module requires group collaboration which can be achieved through socially-distanced group work in the studio and/or online collaboration. Performance can be in-studio with teacher/assessor as audience or streamed through and online platform, or as a recording or Dance on Camera. Unit does not suggest minimum performance times, but learners should have sufficient performance time to allow them opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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L2 Award/Certificate/Extended Certificate/Diploma Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills

*NEW* Adaptations for Level 2 Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills
All units should still be taught. There are currently in-unit adaptations in this guide. However, as of 25 January 2021, there are also options for reducing assessment as below.

These adaptations allow centres and learners to spend more time focusing on developing the skills required to progress and make up for lost contact time. The assessment reduction adaptations available ensure the validity and breadth of the qualifications are retained, whilst also supporting more parity with similar Level 2 programmes.

We will continue to monitor the situation and further adaptations may be introduced in the event of further lockdowns or restrictions.

Level 2 Diploma in Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills
All content must be taught but a reduction in assessment of up to two assessment units, totalling a maximum of 120GLH, may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021.

Level 2 Extended Certificate in Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills
All content must be taught but a reduction in assessment of up to two assessment units, totalling a maximum of 90GLH, may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021.

Level 2 Certificate in Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills
All content must be taught but a reduction in assessment of one assessment unit may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021.

Level 2 Award in Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills
All content must be taught but a reduction in assessment of one assessment unit may be applied for the academic year 2020/2021.
## L2 Award/Certificate/Extended Certificate/Diploma Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills

<p>| Unit 1: Skills Development for the Performing Arts | ✔ | ✔ | Development and technique work could be led by the teacher online or through a series of recordings that learners access at home. May need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) along with ongoing skills development and practise undertaken by learners remotely/individually. Working with others required in the unit content. This can be a socially distanced performance, recorded or online event. Solo work could be produced as elements within a theme for a showcase of work developed in collaboration with others. | Practical rehearsal and performance work for this unit can be assessed through socially-distanced small-group work in the studio, or an online event or remote recordings. Whilst collaboration is a requirement for this unit, the actual performance can be solo elements within a wider work planned and rehearsed by a group. |
| Unit 2: Professional Development | ✔ | ✔ | Suitable for remote and socially distanced work. Teaching and learning related to industry knowledge can be addressed through online delivery. Learners can undertake professional development planning remotely. | No adaptation to the assessment for this unit |
| Unit 3: Creative Interpretation | ✔ | ✔ | Can be achieved remotely or socially distanced. May need to consider blend of socially distanced studio work (in small numbers) with group collaboration online. Can be solo work or elements of a group piece performed as a solo. | Practical interpretation, rehearsal and performance work for this unit can be assessed through socially-distanced duo/trio/small-group work in the studio, or an online event or remote recordings. Whilst collaboration is a requirement, the actual performance can be solo elements within a wider work devised and rehearsed by a group. |</p>
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<th>Unit 4: Audition and Portfolio Process</th>
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<th>Teaching of knowledge (audition processes, techniques for self-promotion, etc) can be delivered remotely. Skills application is in the form of solo work which can be prepared remotely with tutorial guidance in centre or online.</th>
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<td>Unit 5: Preparing for a Performing Arts Production</td>
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<td>May be integrated with Unit 6. Rehearsals may be online/recorded or socially distanced. Video footage of milestone rehearsals can include the learners' own independent rehearsals. Nature of the rehearsal activity and self-management skills to be taught would depend on the style of performance.</td>
<td>Assessment evidence of rehearsals can be socially distanced in-studio group work and/or online collaboration using social media. Learners may self-record individual rehearsal and preparation if working remotely.</td>
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<td>Unit 6: Performing Arts Production</td>
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<td>Consider solo work within a larger production, or a substantial solo commission. Or online or socially distant group work. Preparation skills to be taught would depend on the nature of the intended performance.</td>
<td>Solo work within a larger group production is acceptable, or a substantial piece of solo work. Performance can be socially distanced in-studio with teacher/assessor as audience, or an online streamed event. Whilst the unit does not specify minimum performance times, learners should have sufficient performance time to allow them opportunity to access the full range of criteria.</td>
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<td>Unit 7: Responding to a Progression Opportunity</td>
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<td>Suitable for remote delivery as the unit requires an individual response. Practical application of performance skills may be presented in a studio setting or may be presented online or recorded.</td>
<td>No adaptation to the assessment for this unit. Portfolio can be produced by the learner remotely. The audition/presentation can be undertaken in-studio with teacher/assessor as audience or presented online or as a recording.</td>
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<td>Industry knowledge and professional development units (e.g. U1 Introduction to the Performing Arts, U14 Working in the Performing Arts Level 1, U15 Professional Development in the Performing Arts Industry, U16 Working in the Performing Arts Industry Level 2)</td>
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<td>These units can be delivered remotely or via a blend of remote learning and delivery at the centre. Remote learning may however not be desirable, or possible to resource or not meet learner needs. These units do not require access to specialist resources and can take place in ordinary classroom settings in line with centre and government guidelines, ensuring adequate provision for social distancing, cleaning and hygiene, etc. including access to ICT facilities. It is unlikely that visits to venues will be possible. Where socially distanced and/or remote learning is practicable, teaching may draw on sharing research, case studies and videos.</td>
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### Performance skills exploration and development units (e.g. U3 Starting to Develop Performance Skills, U4 Promoting a Performing Arts Event, U7 Exploring Acting Skills, U8 Exploring Dance Skills, U9 Exploring Music Performance Skills, U12 Exploring Musical Theatre Skills) |

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<td>Remote delivery is likely to be difficult, depending on resources and learner needs. Where studio/teaching space is available, this is likely to be restricted and centres should follow their own internal / government social distancing guidelines (for example working in 3x3m squares with a 2m corridor between). Special care is needed with vocal work and in particular, singing as part of Musical Theatre, which should only be undertaken in line with up-to-date DCMS guidance:</td>
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For assessment of these units, solo work is acceptable, as well as socially-distanced small group or pair work in studios/classes. Performance to an audience can be to the teacher/assessor to audience. If learners prefer to record solo performances remotely, this too is acceptable.

Unit 4 Promoting a Performing Arts Event requires group collaboration for
### Dance

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<th>Production/Design exploration and development units (e.g. U10 Exploring Technical Support for Stage Performance, U11 Exploring Design Skills for the Performing Arts)</th>
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Remote delivery may be impractical for U10 as learners will require access to specialist equipment. Where socially distanced activity is possible in centres, the unit is suited to individual activity and/or small group work socially distanced working, taking care to ensure hygiene precautions such as not sharing items of equipment, disinfecting after use, etc. Activity involving collaboration such as crewing may require simulations where a performance event cannot be safely staged.

No major adaptations to the assessment of these units. Individual work can be undertaken for the assessment of these units, allowing for social distancing, with care needed to ensure safety and hygiene particularly where handling of equipment is required. Where a performance event cannot be staged, as simulation activity is acceptable.


Solo practical work is acceptable for these units, as well as socially-distanced small group work. Studio spaces should be regularly cleansed and sharing of equipment such as props, costumes, musical instruments, stage furniture, etc should be kept to the absolute minimum and cleaned before and after use. Costumes and masks and musical instruments must be for individual use only and cleaned after use.

Where small group work is not practical and if remote learning is viable, development of individual skills can be delivered remotely through use of teacher led online activities and recordings.

LO3: this might be achieved remotely through social media, email, voice messaging, etc where socially distanced studio/class work is not possible. The event being promoted may be a simulation where an actual event is not feasible.

Units 7, 8, 9 and 12 require evidence of working respectfully with others; and for Units 7 and 12, communication with other performers. Where only solo work is possible, interaction and communication can be assessed from the point of view of the relationship between the performer and teacher/director in rehearsals and communication with the teacher/assessor as audience.
U11 can be taught in class settings or remotely and lends itself to solo/individual activity.

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<th>Development and realisation of performance units (e.g. U2 Taking Part in a Performance, U5 Preparing Performing Arts Work, U6 Presenting Performing Arts Work, U13 Performing Arts Individual Repertoire and Showcase)</th>
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<td>Most of these units require collaborative work but solo activity can be accepted for any of these units where socially distanced small group work (for example planning sessions, rehearsals, etc) is not possible. In these cases, the sense of collaboration can be within the context of the working relationship between tutor/director and the individual learner/performer.</td>
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<td>If viable, learners might, if remote activity supports their needs, work on developing and performing roles using streaming or self-recorded rehearsals and performances; otherwise practical activity can take place at the centre in small socially distanced groups, pairs or individual work.</td>
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<td>Performances, for example U6 and U13 do not, in this instance, require an audience other than the tutor/assessor, and performances to camera can also be accepted, recorded at the centre or by learners at home.</td>
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<td>Unit 6 requires collecting feedback on the performance from different sources: this might be the teacher/assessor, and a recording might be shared with others (peers, family, other teachers) in order collect feedback.</td>
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