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Key dates in the examination cycle, 2019/2020

There are key dates for the main examination series of **GCSE, GCE and Project qualifications** which are common to all of the JCQ awarding bodies.

These include dates for access arrangements, entries, submitting centre assessed marks, release of results and final dates for post-result services. Centre staff with teaching and administrative responsibilities will need to be aware of these dates.

Dates appear on timetables and in various awarding body and JCQ documents. However, sometimes a simple date cannot be found quickly when the need arises.

The 'need to know' dates for the academic year 2019/2020 are listed on **pages 2-4**.

Key dates in the examination cycle 2019/20

Autumn Term 2019/20

Key date	Description	Qualification	Examination Series	Category
02/09/2019	Final date for awarding bodies to make basedata available	GCSE	November 2019	Entries
05/09/2019	Latest date by which centres will receive copies of scripts to support reviews of marking – Access to Scripts Service	GCSE GCE	June 2019	Post-Result Services
19/09/2019	Final date to apply for late subject awards	GCSE† GCE‡	June 2019	Post-Result Services
19/09/2019	Final date for clerical checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation or other results enquiries (e.g. Missing and Incomplete Results)	GCSE GCE Projects	June 2019	Post-Result Services
20/09/2019	Final date for ordering modified papers using Access Arrangements Online (AAO)	GCSE	November 2019	Access Arrangements
26/09/2019	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support teaching and learning – Access to Scripts Service	GCSE GCE	June 2019	Post-Result Services
01/10/2019	Final date to submit Form JCQ/CCA – centre consortium arrangements for centre assessed work using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE	November 2019	Centre assessment
04/10/2019	Final date for entries	GCSE	November 2019	Entries
07/10/2019	Final date for requesting transferred candidate arrangements using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE	November 2019	Exam Preparation
10/10/2019	Final date for estimated entries	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Entries
31/10/2019	On-line issue of provisional timetable (available on awarding body websites)	GCSE	November 2020	Exam Preparation
01/11/2019	Final date to process applications for access arrangements using Access Arrangements Online (AAO)	GCSE	November 2019	Access Arrangements
04/11/2019	Date of first examination on common timetable	GCSE	November 2019	Exam Time
04/11/2019	First date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCSE	November 2019	Exam Time
05/11/2019	Final date for submitting centre assessed marks	GCSE	November 2019	Centre assessment
07/11/2019	Date by which certificates will be issued	GCSE GCE	June 2019	Results and certification
11/11/2019	Final date for awarding bodies to make basedata available	GCSE GCE Projects	June 2020	Entries
13/11/2019	Date of final examination on common timetable	GCSE	November 2019	Exam Time
20/11/2019	Final date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCSE	November 2019	Exam Time

†Only applies to unutilised GCSE qualifications in Wales and Northern Ireland

‡Only applies to unutilised GCE AS and A-level qualifications

Spring Term 2019/20

Key date	Description	Qualification	Examination Series	Category
15/01/2020	Restricted release of results to centres only	GCSE	November 2019	Results
16/01/2020	Release of results to candidates	GCSE	November 2019	Results
23/01/2020	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support reviews of marking – Access to Scripts Service	GCSE	November 2019	Post-Result Services
31/01/2020	Final date for ordering modified papers using Access Arrangements Online (AAO)	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Access Arrangements
31/01/2020	Final date to submit Form JCQ/CCA – centre consortium arrangements for centre assessed work using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Centre assessment
31/01/2020	On-line issue of final timetable (available on awarding body websites)	GCSE	November 2020	Exam Preparation
13/02/2020	Final date for clerical checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation or other results enquiries (e.g. Missing and Incomplete Results)	GCSE	November 2019	Post-Result Services
20/02/2020	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support teaching and learning – Access to Scripts Service	GCSE	November 2019	Post-Result Services
21/02/2020	Final date for entries	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Entries
21/02/2020	Final date to process applications for access arrangements using Access Arrangements Online (AAO)	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Access Arrangements
28/02/2020	Date by which certificates will be issued	GCSE	November 2019	Results and certification
28/02/2020	On-line issue of provisional timetable (available on awarding body websites)	GCSE GCE	June 2021	Exam Preparation
21/03/2020	Final date for requesting transferred candidate arrangements using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Exam Preparation

Summer Term 2019/20

30/04/2020	Final date for submitting comments on provisional examination timetables to JCQ	GCSE GCE	June 2021	Exam Preparation
05/05/2020	Date of first examination in Wales	GCSE	June 2020	Exam Time
11/05/2020	Date of first examination on common timetable	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Exam Time
11/05/2020	First date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Exam Time
15/05/2020	Final date for submitting centre assessed marks (AQA, OCR, Pearson and WJEC)	GCE	June 2020	Centre assessment
18/06/2020	Date of final examination on common timetable	GCSE	June 2020	Exam Time
23/06/2020	Date of final examination on common timetable	GCE	June 2020	Exam Time
24/06/2020	Contingency day for GCSE and/or GCE examinations should sustained national or local disruption arise during the June 2020 examination series	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Exam Time
30/06/2020	On-line issue of final timetable (available on awarding body websites)	GCSE GCE	June 2021	Exam Preparation
01/07/2020	Final date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCSE GCE	June 2020	Exam Time
12/08/2020	Restricted release of results to centres only	GCE Extended Project	June 2020	Results
13/08/2020	Release of results to candidates	GCE Extended Project	June 2020	Results
19/08/2020	Restricted release of results to centres only	GCSE Level 1 & 2 Projects	June 2020	Results
20/08/2020	Release of results to candidates	GCSE Level 1 & 2 Projects	June 2020	Results

Notes:

1. GCSE examinations, November 2019 examination series: centres are advised to consult awarding body administration documents as there are variations within and between awarding bodies in relation to deadlines for estimated entries.
2. Centres in Northern Ireland are advised to consult CCEA administration documents for key dates relating to the GCSE January and March 2020 examination series.
3. Centres in Wales are advised to consult WJEC administration documents for key dates relating to the GCSE January 2020 examination series.
4. GCSE examinations, June 2020 examination series: centres are advised to consult awarding body administration documents as there are variations within and between awarding bodies for submitting centre assessed marks.
5. Centres in Northern Ireland are advised to consult CCEA administration documents to see the deadlines for submitting GCE centre assessed marks, June 2020 examination series.
6. Centres are advised to consult awarding body administration documents as an awarding body may allow centres to submit applications for special consideration relating to non-examination assessment components and MFL Speaking Tests prior to 11 May 2020.