

your

exams 2015



What you
need to know



Your exams



General

- ✓ arrive in good time — about 10 minutes before the exam starts
- ✓ take the right equipment — black or blue ink pens, HB pencils, etc
- ✓ check you have been given the correct exam paper
- ✓ complete all your details on the front of the question paper or answer booklet
- ✓ read all instructions and listen carefully for any announcements or additional instructions from the Invigilator — the person who supervises the exam
- ✓ remember to cross out all rough work once you have made a final copy
- ✓ put your name and SCN on every piece of work that you hand in
- ✓ if you feel unwell, tell the Invigilator
- ✓ stay in the room until the exam is finished — you may only leave early with the permission of the Invigilator

Conduct

- ✗ do not copy from someone else, or share your work with anyone else
- ✗ do not use offensive or frivolous language in your answers
- ✗ do not behave disruptively or cause a disturbance in the exam room
- ✗ do not share equipment with anyone else

You must not have the following in your possession:



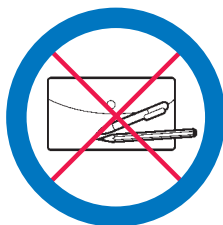
Mobile phone



Digital electronic device
such as MP3 player, tablet
or smartwatch



Book, notes,
sketches or paper



Pencil case/
calculator case



Calculator — except
in specified subjects



Dictionary — except
in specified subjects

All authorised electronic equipment must meet SQA regulations with no access to inadmissible data.

Hi, I'm SAM and I'm here to help. It's coming up to exam time again.

This booklet tells you what to expect, what to do, and how you will receive your results and your certificate.

If you've taken SQA exams before, you'll know what to expect, but if this is your first time, don't worry, stay calm, and do your best. The exams are held to find out how well you've learned the subjects you've been studying, and how well you can apply the knowledge and skills you've gathered.

Be as prepared for each exam as you can be. If you do your best before and during the exams, no-one can ask more of you.

Good luck!



Preparing for your exams

Timetable

The official exam timetable for 2015 was issued to schools and colleges last year. There is a summary version at the back of this booklet.

You can find the full timetable in the **School Learner** section of SQA's website:

www.sqa.org.uk/timetable

On the website, you can print out a personal timetable for the subjects you are taking.

Please note: schools and colleges are allowed to change the start time of the exam slightly, so you should double-check the times of your exams with your teachers or lecturers. Make sure you know which exams you're sitting, where they're going to be held, and when they will start. You should be ready to enter the exam room at least 10 minutes before the exam is due to start.

Equipment

It is important to make sure that you know what equipment you need to bring with you (pens, HB pencils, calculator, and so on). Your teacher or lecturer will be able to advise you. You must not share any of your equipment with anyone else or use the equipment of any other candidate during the exam.

If you are taking any exams that involve Objective Tests (multiple choice questions), the exam paper will tell you in the instructions whether to use pencil or pen. If instructed to use an HB pencil, you will also need an eraser so you can change your answers.




Your Scottish Candidate Number



Your Scottish Candidate Number (SCN) is your personal lifetime SQA identification number. It is used to record the marks awarded for each of your exam papers and to record the combined final results. Our computerised systems use your SCN to record your achievements, and to trace your previous qualifications so that your certificate is up-to-date and comprehensive.

You must enter your SCN accurately, neatly and legibly on your exam answer booklets, so it is important that you know it. The teacher or lecturer in charge of SQA exams in your school or college will be able to tell you what your SCN is.

SCN CARD 

Your Centre

Your Name

Date of Birth

Scottish Candidate Number

You can find your SCN card at the back of this booklet.

You should use this card to note your SCN. You are allowed to take this card into the exam room but you must not write anything else on it. Make sure that you know your SCN and use it correctly (or have your SCN card to remind you).

Your name and address details

To ensure that you receive your Scottish Qualifications Certificate (SQC) on results day, make sure that your school or college holds the correct personal details for you — ie your correct name, address and SCN.

If you have a MySQA account, you can check your personal details at **www.mysqa.org.uk**

Make sure that your name appears as you would like to see it on your SQC and that the address is where you want your results to be sent.

If you change any of your personal details at any time before you receive your certificate, you should tell your school or college immediately. This will allow them to update your details on the system before we print your certificate. Your school or college must let us know about any changes to your personal details by 10 July 2015. Your SQC will be issued in the name and to the address that we hold on record for you at that date.

Data Protection

Your school or college is usually best placed to discuss your personal information with you. This includes your contact details, as well as any qualifications you are taking, or results you've received.

The Data Protection Act 1998 aims to protect your personal information. It sets out rules for the way that SQA uses your information. Before we can discuss any personal information with you, we will ask you to confirm your identity. Also, before discussing your personal information with anyone else (including a parent or carer if you are aged 12 or above) we will need your consent. The **Access to Information** section of our website explains these data protection responsibilities in more detail: **www.sqa.org.uk/accesstoinformation**

Coursework (assignments, investigations, projects, portfolios etc)

In some subjects it is a requirement to take a speaking or practical test or to submit coursework. Your teacher/lecturer should advise you.

The coursework you submit for assessment must be your own. In August 2014 your school or college should have given you a leaflet called Your Coursework which explains what you have to do. Before you submit any of your coursework, you need to make sure that you have read and understood that leaflet and, where asked to, you have signed the declaration on the cover page to identify your work as your own.

If there is anything you are unsure about or do not understand, it is very important that you ask your teacher or lecturer.

During your exams

Invigilators

The people responsible for supervising the exams on SQA's behalf are called 'Invigilators'. The Invigilator's job is to stay in the exam room to make sure that the exam goes ahead according to the rules and that the rules are applied fairly. You must follow any instructions you are given by the Invigilator.

The Invigilator will also get help for you if you feel unwell or upset.

Desks

In most schools or colleges, you will be allocated a desk or seat number for each exam. Your teacher or lecturer should tell you this. Make sure you know your desk/seat number before the exam.

If you are taking any exams that have a separate Objective Test answer sheet, it is particularly important that you sit at your allocated desk. This is because you will be provided with your own personalised answer sheet that has your name, SCN and school or college details already printed on it. Before the start of the exam the Invigilator will ask you to check that all your details are correct and that the question paper and Objective Test answer sheet are for the correct subject and level. If anything is not as you expect, please tell the Invigilator.



If you are late

If you're late for an exam, you must report to the teacher or lecturer in charge of SQA exams, who will advise whether or not you may sit the exam.

In the exam room

Things you must not have in your possession during the exam:

- mobile phones
- electronic devices including, but not limited to, music/digital devices, MP3 players, iPods, tablets and smartwatches
- calculator — except in specified subjects
- dictionary — except in specified subjects
- cases — calculator or pencil, etc
- books, notes, sketches, paper of any kind, or any other prohibited item



When specific or authorised items are needed for use in exams, you must make sure they meet SQA regulations (your teacher or lecturer can advise you about this). If they are electronic items, you must make sure that there is no access to prohibited data or any additional features that are not allowed in the exam.

If you plan to use your own dictionary in the Reading and Writing papers of the Modern Languages exams, this must be checked before the exam. Your teacher or lecturer will be able to tell you how to go about this.



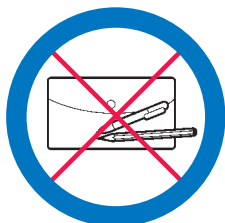
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Digital electronic device
such as MP3 player, tablet
or smartwatch



Book, notes,
sketches or paper



Pencil case/
calculator case



Calculator — except
in specified subjects

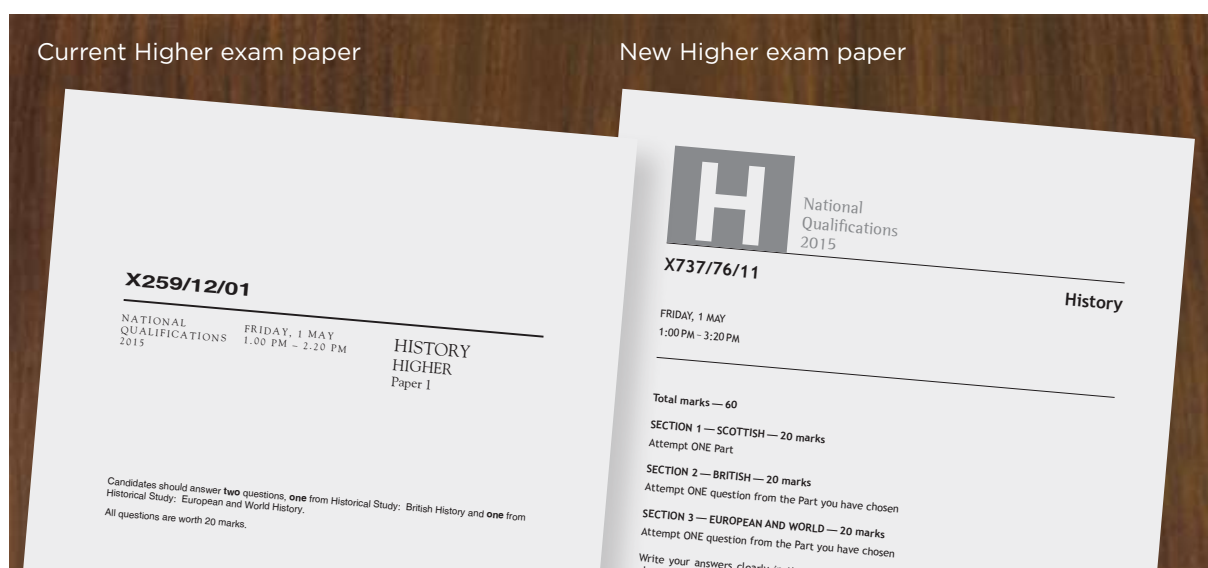


Dictionary — except
in specified subjects

Question papers

Unless your school or college has requested another colour (as part of an assessment arrangement), your question papers will all be printed on white paper.

Check that the exam paper given to you is the one you are expecting. If you are sitting a new Higher, you should look for the big 'H' logo in the top left-hand corner. Here are the two types of Higher exam paper. If a paper is not the exam paper you expected, please tell the Invigilator.



In some exams you will get a separate question paper and answer booklet. If you are sitting a National 5 or new Higher the answer booklet should contain the same subject name and level details as the question paper.

Read the instructions on the front of each question paper, and make sure you follow them carefully. You should complete your details neatly and legibly on the front of the exam paper or booklet.

If you need extra paper, ask the Invigilator. Remember to put your name, SCN and school or college name on any extra paper before it is collected by the Invigilator, and put any extra sheets **inside** your answer book.

Blank pages in the question paper

Pages in the question paper that do not contain questions or instructions will have the statement **BLANK PAGE** printed in bold in the centre of the page. No page should be completely blank.

Make sure you work through the question paper until you see the statement **END OF QUESTION PAPER**. There will be no more questions you need to read or answer after this. If you find a page that is completely blank before you see this statement, please bring this to the attention of the Invigilator.

Any statements after this point are related to copyright legislation which requires that SQA acknowledges the sources of any text extracts or graphics that were used in the question paper. You don't need to read these.

In some subjects, additional pages or graph paper may be provided at the end of the booklet for you to use.

Writing your answers

Use a **pen with black or blue ink (do not use gel pens)**, and write legibly and neatly. Only use a pencil where you are told to in the instructions. Markers will do their best to read your work — there are processes in place to deal with illegible scripts. However, you may lose marks if your writing is illegible or too untidy for the Marker to read. In some subjects you may also lose marks for spelling and punctuation errors. If you have any concerns about this, you should speak to your teacher or lecturer.

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You must not use text language, or any rude, abusive, offensive, discriminatory or frivolous language or images, in any of your answers.

When writing on unlined answer books, try to leave a space of about a centimetre between lines.

Data booklets

You will be given booklets of tables or data when these are part of the exam. Some exams will have additional data sheets inserted in the front of the question paper booklet. You must not mark the data booklets in any way or take them from the exam room.

Rough work

All rough work must be done in the answer book supplied unless you are instructed to use the rough-working sheet provided.

If you have made several attempts to answer a question, please cross out all unwanted answers and rough work belonging to these attempts when you have finished.

Leaving the exam room

If you have done as much of a paper as you can, the Invigilator may allow you to leave after half an hour (where the exam is more than one hour) or after 20 minutes (if the exam is one hour or less). Remember, you need the Invigilator's permission to leave an exam early.

Before leaving, you must give your answer book and question paper to the Invigilator, whatever it contains — otherwise, you may lose all the marks for the paper concerned.

Absence

If you are prevented from sitting the exam, or part of it, by illness or any other good reason, you should report this immediately to the teacher or lecturer responsible for SQA exams at your school or college. If you begin to feel unwell during the exam, you should notify the Invigilator immediately. This will allow your school to consider whether to submit a request for the Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service (see section on Results Services).

Your conduct

Improper conduct

All improper conduct and actions that cause a disturbance during the exam will be reported to SQA and investigated. You may be issued with a warning, lose marks, have your exam entry in the subject concerned cancelled or, in extreme circumstances, have all your exam entries cancelled.

Examples of improper conduct are:

- possessing prohibited items in the exam room (including notes, mobile phones and electronic devices, including but not limited to, music/digital devices, MP3 players, iPods, tablets and smartwatches)
 - using a calculator in a non-calculator paper
 - using a calculator with prohibited facilities, eg a computer algebra system (CAS), with capacity to store data or text
- pretending to be someone else in the assessment or having someone else attempt to sit the assessment for you
- disruptive behaviour in the exam room
- using offensive or frivolous language in your answer books or coursework, eg vulgarity, swearing, discrimination (including sexist, racist and homophobic content)
- copying from another candidate
- collusion — working with other candidates on an individual task when it must be your own work
- plagiarism — failing to acknowledge sources properly and/or submitting another person's work as if it were your own



Ownership and copyright of exam material

When you submit exam materials to SQA, or permit your school or college to submit them on your behalf, you are agreeing to them becoming the physical property of SQA.

Exam materials are: answer booklets and/or coursework and/or alternative evidence, submitted to SQA for assessment.

In addition, your submission of the materials is an agreement that SQA is permitted to use these materials for purposes such as teaching and exemplification material. SQA will not disclose your name or Scottish Candidate Number, or any other identifying details.



Marking your exams

From the moment you hand in your completed answer paper to the Invigilator at the end of the exam, that paper begins a journey that doesn't end until August — and it may only be a part of what makes up your final results. After each exam, your papers are tracked through the various stages of the marking process.

Marking is carried out by approximately 7,500 teachers and lecturers across the country, carefully selected by SQA based on their experience and subject expertise. All of these Markers receive training in preparation for marking your answers, so that all of them mark in a fair, consistent way for all subjects, and all candidates.

Throughout the marking process, we carry out checks to ensure that all Markers mark your exam papers in line with national standards. For each subject, we determine the mark needed to achieve a grade A, B, C or D.

It is only once these processes are complete for every subject that we can finally combine all of your marks together to produce your final results. Depending on the subject, this might include coursework marks that your school or college submitted to us before the exams began, as well as marks for any parts of the Course that were assessed directly by SQA (including performances of speaking exams that we assessed during a visit to your school or college). All of these contribute to your overall grade.

Your certificate is then printed and posted so you receive it at the same time as your classmates and fellow learners (150,000 in total!) on Tuesday 4 August.

Your results

You will receive your Scottish Qualifications Certificate (SQC) by first-class mail on **TUESDAY 4 AUGUST**.

If you change your permanent home address, tell your school or college immediately. This will ensure that your SQC is delivered directly to the address you want your results to be sent to, and avoid confusion or delays.

If you are going on to university or college, we will send your results to the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) electronically.

If you are returning for the new session, we will send results information to your school or college so that there is plenty of time for teachers to plan next year's timetables and give you career and course guidance.

If your SQC does not arrive on **TUESDAY 4 AUGUST** please contact your school or college immediately. The school or college will be able to confirm your results and liaise with us to find out what has happened to your SQC.

Recognising Positive Achievement

If you sit a National 5 Course and receive a 'No Award' then as part of our Recognising Positive Achievement arrangement you may be awarded the Course at National 4. If you already meet the Unit requirements, a National 4 Course award will show on your SQC. Please contact your school or college if you have any questions about this.

Support for you at results time

If you don't understand your certificate, or if you think something is missing or wrong, contact your school or college immediately and ask for help. If there is a problem, your school or college will contact us in order to sort it.

A telephone service — **SQA's Candidate Advice Line** — will also be available from Tuesday 4 August to Friday 7 August. You can ring this line for help and advice on the content and layout of your certificate. However, our advisors will be unable to help you with any queries regarding SQA's Post-results Services or the breakdown of your marks, and they will not be able to speak to parents or carers without your consent. The advice line number can be found on the letter that accompanies your certificate.

For general enquiries at any time of the year, you can call our **Customer Contact Centre** on **0345 279 1000**, or e-mail your enquiry to **customer@sqa.org.uk**

Why wait to receive your results?

MySQA is a web service that offers you secure and unique access to your results.

You don't need to wait for your results envelope to drop through the letterbox. You can choose to have your results sent by e-mail or text on **Tuesday 4 August**. You'll need to sign up to MySQA by 5pm on Monday 13 July, and then activate your account by 5pm on Wednesday 15 July. Even if you're away from home, you won't have to wait or get someone else to open your results for you. Find out how to activate your account at **www.mysqa.info**

Remember, National 4 Courses are awarded as either 'Pass' or 'Fail' and have no overall grade. You will probably know the result from your teacher prior to the summer holidays and the text/e-mail you receive will simply confirm the result.

Sending texts and e-mails to everyone who is signed up to MySQA is a massive task. Exam results will be sent out on 4 August 2015 by **text** message between 8am and 9am, and by **e-mail** before 9am. It is possible your e-mail will be received very early on the morning of 4 August. This is because we release results in batches and delivery is determined by your e-mail provider.

Results Services

Results Services help candidates who could not sit exams, who suffered exceptional circumstances, or for whom their school or college is concerned by their exam result.

There are two parts to Results Services:

- **Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service**
- **Post-results Services**

Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service

This service operates **before** the exam results are sent out.

This service supports candidates who could not sit an exam or who did sit an exam but their performance suffered because of exceptional circumstances.

Exceptional circumstances include bereavement and serious illness. Minor ailments are not considered exceptional circumstances.



Post-results Services

These services will be available **after** candidates have received their certificates.

If a school or college is concerned by a candidate's result, they can request a clerical check and/or a marking review of the exam paper.

Clerical Check

SQA staff will check that all parts of the exam paper have been marked, that the marks given for each answer have been added correctly, and that the correct total mark or result was entered into SQA's computer system.

Marking Review

A clerical check will first be carried out following the same clerical check process, as described above. Next, an SQA Senior Examiner will review the candidate's marks in all relevant external assessments. This is to ensure that the original marking was in line with the national standard.

Priority Marking Review

This Review is only available to candidates who have college/university places on hold until the marking review is complete.

Priority marking reviews are completed in time to meet the UCAS deadline for confirming college/university places by 31 August.

Only schools and colleges can submit requests to the Exceptional Circumstances Consideration Service and Post-results Services. SQA will not accept requests directly from candidates, parents, carers or other third parties.

Information on Results Services is available at www.sqa.org.uk/resultsservices

This web page tells you about Results Services, who can use the services and how we deal with requests received, as well as lots of other useful information.

Summary Timetable 2015

Remember, schools and colleges are allowed to change the start times of exams slightly, so you should always double-check the times of your exams with your school or college.

The following timetables can be found over the next six pages:

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Apps to support you



Timetable builder

Create your own exam timetable using our online and mobile personal timetable builders. You can view your exam schedule at a glance, add notes to exam entries, e-mail the timetable to yourself or a friend, and even integrate it into other calendars using iCal.

To find out more, please go to www.sqa.org.uk/timetable



MyStudyPlan

Create your own study plan on iPod Touch, iPad or iPhone with our MyStudyPlan application. This great service lets you import your exam schedule, enter your time availability and use the information to generate your study plan.

To find out more about MyStudyPlan, please go to www.sqa.org.uk/studyplan



Intermediate 1

Course	Date
Accounting	Monday 18 May
Administration	Wednesday 29 April
Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Business Management	Monday 11 May
Cantonese	Monday 1 June
Care	Thursday 4 June
Chemistry	Thursday 28 May
Classical Greek	Monday 11 May
Classical Studies	Wednesday 29 April
Computing Studies	Wednesday 6 May
Drama	Tuesday 28 April
English	Thursday 14 May
French	Friday 22 May
Gaelic (Learners)	Monday 25 May
Gàidhlig	Tuesday 26 May
Geography	Thursday 21 May
Geology	Wednesday 27 May
German	Tuesday 26 May

Course	Date
Graphic Communication	Thursday 30 April
History	Friday 1 May
Italian	Thursday 30 April
Latin	Wednesday 6 May
Managing Environmental Resources	Friday 5 June
Mandarin Simplified	Monday 1 June
Mandarin Traditional	Monday 1 June
Mathematics	Tuesday 19 May
Media Studies	Tuesday 12 May
Modern Studies	Wednesday 27 May
Music	Thursday 7 May
Physical Education	Monday 1 June
Physics	Tuesday 5 May
Psychology	Tuesday 2 June
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	Friday 8 May
Russian	Wednesday 27 May
Spanish	Friday 29 May
Travel and Tourism	Monday 18 May

Intermediate 2

Course	Date
Accounting	Monday 18 May
Administration	Wednesday 29 April
Art and Design	Friday 29 May
Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Biotechnology	Thursday 21 May
Business Management	Monday 11 May
Cantonese	Monday 1 June
Care	Thursday 4 June
Chemistry	Thursday 28 May
Classical Greek	Monday 11 May
Classical Studies	Wednesday 29 April
Computing	Wednesday 6 May
Drama	Tuesday 28 April
Economics	Tuesday 28 April
Electronic and Electrical Fundamentals	Wednesday 3 June
English	Thursday 14 May
English for Speakers of Other Languages	Monday 25 May
French	Friday 22 May
Gaelic (Learners)	Monday 25 May
Gàidhlig	Tuesday 26 May
Geography	Thursday 21 May
Geology	Wednesday 27 May
German	Tuesday 26 May
Graphic Communication	Thursday 30 April
History	Friday 1 May

Course	Date
Home Economics: Fashion and Textile Technology	Thursday 7 May
Home Economics: Health and Food Technology	Thursday 7 May
Home Economics: Lifestyle and Consumer Technology	Thursday 7 May
Hospitality: Professional Cookery	Wednesday 3 June
Information Systems	Thursday 7 May
Italian	Thursday 30 April
Latin	Wednesday 6 May
Managing Environmental Resources	Friday 5 June
Mandarin Simplified	Monday 1 June
Mandarin Traditional	Monday 1 June
Mathematics	Tuesday 19 May
Media Studies	Tuesday 12 May
Modern Studies	Wednesday 27 May
Music	Thursday 7 May
Philosophy	Thursday 4 June
Physical Education	Monday 1 June
Physics	Tuesday 5 May
Product Design	Monday 25 May
Psychology	Tuesday 2 June
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	Friday 8 May
Russian	Wednesday 27 May
Sociology	Wednesday 3 June
Spanish	Friday 29 May
Technological Studies	Tuesday 12 May
Travel and Tourism	Monday 18 May

National 5

Course	Date
Accounting	Monday 18 May
Art and Design	Friday 29 May
Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Business Management	Monday 11 May
Cantonese	Monday 1 June
Chemistry	Thursday 28 May
Classical Studies	Wednesday 29 April
Computing Science	Wednesday 6 May
Cruinn-Eolas	Thursday 21 May
Design and Manufacture	Monday 25 May
Drama	Tuesday 28 April
Eachdraidh	Friday 1 May
Economics	Tuesday 28 April
Engineering Science	Tuesday 12 May
English	Thursday 14 May
English for Speakers of Other Languages	Monday 25 May
Environmental Science	Monday 1 June
French	Friday 22 May
Gaelic (Learners)	Monday 25 May
Gàidhlig	Tuesday 26 May
Geography	Thursday 21 May
German	Tuesday 26 May
Graphic Communication	Thursday 30 April

Course	Date
History	Friday 1 May
Home Economics: Health and Food Technology	Thursday 7 May
Italian	Thursday 30 April
Latin	Wednesday 6 May
Lifeskills Mathematics	Wednesday 29 April
Mandarin Simplified	Monday 1 June
Mandarin Traditional	Monday 1 June
Matamataig	Tuesday 19 May
Matamataig Fad-bheatha	Wednesday 29 April
Mathematics	Tuesday 19 May
Media	Tuesday 12 May
Modern Studies	Wednesday 27 May
Music	Friday 8 May
Music Technology	Friday 8 May
Nuadh-Eolas	Wednesday 27 May
Philosophy	Thursday 4 June
Physics	Tuesday 5 May
Psychology	Tuesday 2 June
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	Friday 8 May
Sociology	Wednesday 3 June
Spanish	Friday 29 May
Urdu	Monday 18 May

Higher

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Course	Date
Accounting	Monday 18 May
Administration	Wednesday 29 April
Administration & IT	Wednesday 29 April
Architectural Technology	Tuesday 2 June
Art and Design	Friday 29 May
Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Biology (Revised)	Wednesday 13 May
Biotechnology	Thursday 21 May
Building Construction	Friday 5 June
Business Management	Monday 11 May
Cantonese	Monday 1 June
Care	Thursday 4 June
Chemistry	Thursday 28 May
Chemistry (Revised)	Thursday 28 May
Classical Greek	Monday 11 May
Classical Studies	Wednesday 29 April
Computing	Wednesday 6 May
Computing Science	Wednesday 6 May
Cruinn-eòlas (new Higher)	Thursday 21 May
Design and Manufacture	Monday 25 May
Drama	Tuesday 28 April
Eachdraidh (new Higher)	Friday 1 May
Early Education and Childcare	Friday 5 June
Economics	Tuesday 28 April
Engineering Science	Tuesday 12 May
English	Friday 15 May
English for Speakers of Other Languages	Monday 25 May

Course	Date
Environmental Science	Monday 1 June
Fabrication and Welding Engineering	Wednesday 3 June
French	Friday 22 May
Gaelic (Learners)	Monday 25 May
Gàidhlig	Tuesday 26 May
Geography	Thursday 21 May
Geology	Wednesday 27 May
German	Tuesday 26 May
Graphic Communication	Thursday 30 April
History	Friday 1 May
Home Economics: Fashion and Textile Technology	Thursday 7 May
Home Economics: Health and Food Technology	Thursday 7 May
Home Economics: Lifestyle and Consumer Technology	Thursday 7 May
Hospitality: Professional Cookery	Wednesday 3 June
Human Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Human Biology (Revised)	Wednesday 13 May
Information Systems	Thursday 7 May
Italian	Thursday 30 April
Latin	Wednesday 6 May
Managing Environmental Resources	Friday 5 June
Mandarin Simplified	Monday 1 June
Mandarin Traditional	Monday 1 June
Matamataig	Wednesday 20 May
Matamataig (new Higher)	Wednesday 20 May
Mathematics	Wednesday 20 May
Mechatronics	Wednesday 3 June

Higher continued

Course	Date
Media (new Higher)	Tuesday 12 May
Media Studies	Tuesday 12 May
Modern Studies	Wednesday 27 May
Music	Thursday 7 May
Music (new Higher)	Monday 11 May
Music Technology	Monday 11 May
Nuadh-Eolas (new Higher)	Wednesday 27 May
Philosophy	Thursday 4 June
Physical Education	Monday 1 June
Physics	Tuesday 5 May
Physics (Revised)	Tuesday 5 May
Politics	Thursday 4 June
Product Design	Monday 25 May
Psychology	Tuesday 2 June
Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	Friday 8 May
Russian	Wednesday 27 May
Sociology	Wednesday 3 June
Spanish	Friday 29 May
Technological Studies	Tuesday 12 May
Travel and Tourism	Monday 18 May
Urdu	Monday 18 May



Advanced Higher

Course	Date
Accounting	Monday 18 May
Applied Mathematics	Thursday 30 April
Biology	Wednesday 13 May
Biology (Revised)	Wednesday 13 May
Business Management	Monday 11 May
Cantonese	Monday 1 June
Chemistry	Thursday 28 May
Chemistry (Revised)	Thursday 28 May
Classical Greek	Monday 11 May
Classical Studies	Wednesday 29 April
Computing	Wednesday 6 May
Drama	Tuesday 28 April
Economics	Tuesday 28 April
English	Friday 15 May
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Gaelic (Learners)	Monday 25 May
Gàidhlig	Tuesday 26 May
Geography	Thursday 21 May

Course	Date
German	Tuesday 26 May
Graphic Communication	Thursday 30 April
History	Friday 1 May
Home Economics: Health and Food Technology	Thursday 7 May
Information Systems	Thursday 7 May
Italian	Thursday 30 April
Latin	Wednesday 6 May
Mandarin Simplified	Monday 1 June
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Religious, Moral and Philosophical Studies	Friday 8 May
Spanish	Friday 29 May
Technological Studies	Tuesday 12 May

How to get your coursework back from SQA

We understand that the materials your school or college sent us as part of your assessment may be of special value to you. Recordings, artwork and written pieces that you produced might not be easy to re-create, so maybe you'd like your original material back. This is why we offer a returns service. You can submit a request, asking us to send back the materials.

You should submit a return request by **25 September 2015**. Any requests received after this date will incur an **additional late charge**. If we don't receive a request, your coursework will be securely disposed of.

Your exam answer booklets are exempt from return under the Data Protection Act, therefore we cannot consider any requests to return these to you.

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Past Papers

A good way to prepare for your exams is to use the actual questions encountered by candidates in recent years, so that you feel completely prepared and confident on the day of your exam.

SQA Past Papers and associated marking instructions can be downloaded from the SQA website. In addition, this year the official SQA Past Papers and Specimen Papers are being published by Hodder Gibson. They include answers checked by Senior Examiners, study skills guidance sections and examiner tips.

Official SQA Past Papers with answers are available for Intermediate 1 and 2, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher. However, because this is the first year of the new Higher qualifications, we don't yet have any Past Papers so we have produced Specimen Question Papers and Exemplar (practice) Question Papers. Hodder Gibson has also published these along with their own model practice papers and answers.

For full details of those available please visit www.hoddereducation.co.uk



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Make sure that you have your SCN and know how to use it correctly. You can ask your centre for your SCN then keep a note of it on the card below. The card can be taken into the exam room to remind you of your SCN.



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