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T Levels

Occupational Specialism (OS) Assessment Window and Guidance Documents

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T levels Occupational Specialism Summer assessment window & guidance documents

Dear Centre,

As we move towards the summer series, we know you will be preparing for T Level exams and assessments. To support you with this, we have prepared an update for centre staff involved in the delivery of these exams and assessments.

We hope you find our latest bulletin useful.

Assessment window opening for Occupational Specialisms

The assessment window for Occupational Specialisms in Building Services Engineering (8710), Onsite Construction (8711) and Management and Administration (8715) is now open. Here is a summary of the key dates:

	Assessment window opens	Assessment window closes (also final deadline for uploading of marks and evidence)
Building Services Engineering (8710)	05 February 2024	17 May 2024
Onsite Construction (8711)	05 February 2024	17 May 2024
Management and Administration (8715)	05 February 2024	17 May 2024
Engineering and Manufacturing (8730)	15 April 2024	17 May 2024

Management & Administration (8715) Occupational Specialism Assessment Process Guide

Please find below a link to the latest Occupational Specialism Assessment process guide for Management & Administration (8715).

This document supports Providers prepare for and deliver Occupational Specialisms in Management & Administration. Please remember to also read the assessment-specific guidance for each Occupational Specialism found within the OS assessment material. These are available for Providers on the Quality Delivery Portal.

[Management & Admin Process Guide](#) 

This guidance document can be found within the **Assessment Guidance** section on the T Levels Resource hub.

Resource Hub



Updated Key Dates Schedule: Agriculture, Land Management and Production (8717) OS: Amendment to resource list & materials release dates for Crop Production

The resource list and materials release date for the Crop Production Occupational Specialism assessment have been amended to ensure validity and comparability of support visits across centres by releasing materials for tasks 2-5 after the task 1 delivery window closes.

You can access the updated key dates schedule here:

Resource Hub



Updated Specification: Agriculture, Land Management and Production (8717): Minor amendments throughout the specification

There have been some minor amendments throughout the specification, notably in **2 Centre requirements** and **5 Scheme of assessment** (as shown on the version control box) – the resource requirement for **Dairy cattle** has been added and there has been some changes to centre staff requirements. This version now includes a cover image.

Updated specification



Ofqual Supporting Resilience in the Exams System Updated Guidance

Following guidance from Ofqual, we have also updated our guidance to reflect the requirement around centres collecting evidence using mock exams which have been completed under exam conditions.

This evidence can then be used to support alternative methods of awarding grades, in the unlikely event that the government determines that exams cannot go ahead.

This guidance is in Section 5 of the 'Emergency Situations Affecting Assessment Delivery' City & Guilds guidance document (link below).

City & Guilds Guidance



As part of our VTQ Checkpoint Activity in April, we are asking centres to provide estimated qualification grades as part of the submission process, however we would like to reassure you that this is not mandatory for 2024.

JCQ Updated guidance for Artificial Intelligence: Use in Assessments

The JCQ has updated its [AI Use in Assessment](#) guidance which we recommend you are familiar with especially around AI use in moderated / Non-Examined Assessments.

To support you in understanding AI use and misuse, the JCQ has also published a range of resources that you can use with your students. All of these resources can be found here on the JCQ's website:

[Updating the JCQ guidance on AI Use in Assessments - JCQ Joint Council for Qualifications](#)

Ofqual Resources to Support Exams Staff

Ofqual have a central resource of guidance to support exams officers/teams in their very challenging roles.

You can access this wide range of support materials below:

