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Please find below important updates regarding our 7457 Veterinary Nursing qualifications.

Candidates who fail four attempts at exam

A decision has been agreed to remove the limit of four attempts that a candidate can take on the external exams and/or OSCE for all our 7457 Veterinary Nursing qualifications. This is for the remainder of the period up until last certification.

The RCVS has agreed to the change, along with suspension of the requirement for learners to take the 12 month time out period for 7457-03/13 and 6 month time out period for 7457-33/43.

Therefore, all registered City & Guilds candidates on either the 7457-03, 13, 33 or 43 qualifications will be able to continue taking external exams and/or OSCEs until the last certification date of 31 August 2023.

We also permit, where necessary, centres to request an extension to the registration period for a candidate if this expires prior to the last certification date. Should this be required centres please contact centre support.

Last certification date

We need to be clear that we will not extend the last certification date for these qualifications. This will remain 31 August 2023, after which time no further certificates can be claimed with City & Guilds, either for individual assessments/units or for the full qualification. This means that from 01 September 2023 City & Guilds will cease delivery of all Vet Nursing qualifications and all candidate registrations will conclude.

Centres are strongly advised to consider how this may impact their candidates, should they not complete in time for 31 August 2023.

Upcoming OSCEs

There only be one further OSCE series delivered by City & Guilds this year in September. Dates of which are below:

September key dates	
Start	Friday 17 September 2021
Finish	Sunday 26 September 2021
Results available by	Monday 25 October 2021

Further information will be published next month.

Our intention is to deliver two further series in 2022, which will be in April and September.