

GCE Qualification Level Conditions

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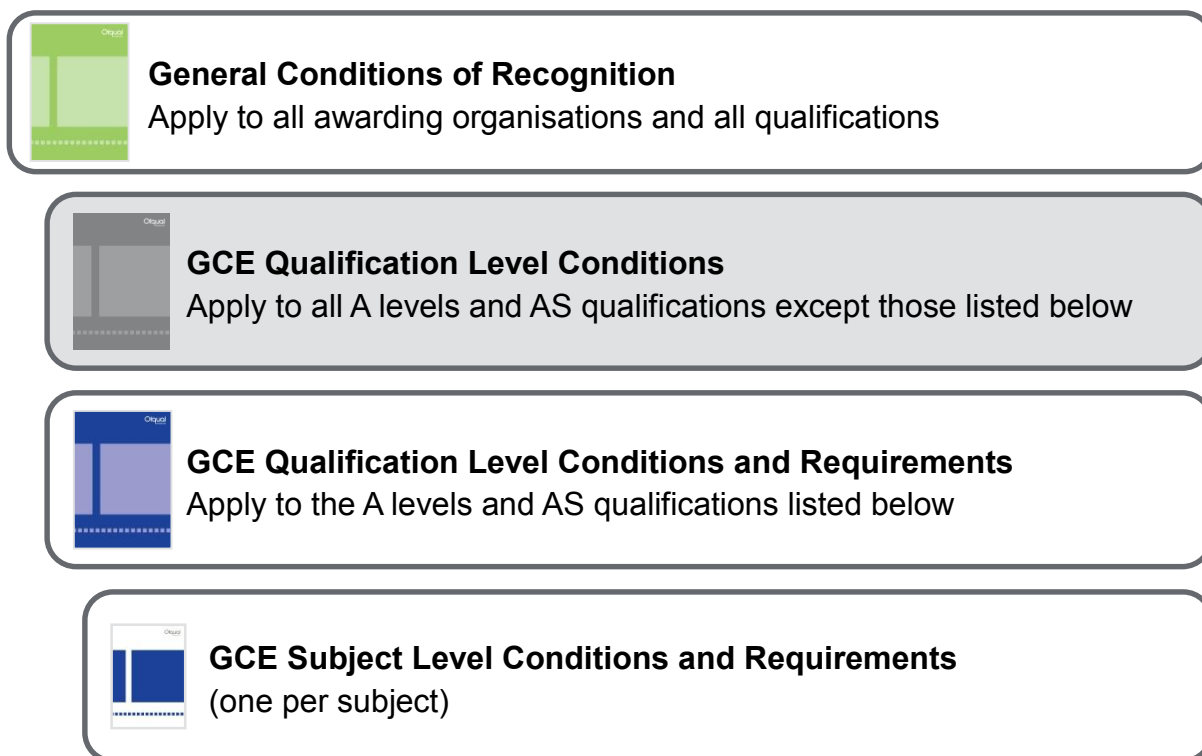
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Introduction

About this document

This document (highlighted in the figure below) is part of a suite of documents which sets out our regulatory requirements for awarding organisations offering AS and A level qualifications.



Requirements set out in this document

For all GCE A levels and GCE AS qualifications, awarding organisations must comply with the *General Conditions of Recognition*¹ and all relevant Regulatory Documents².

This document sets out further conditions of recognition which apply to all GCE A levels and all GCE AS qualifications except:

- GCE A levels awarded on or after 1st April 2017, and standalone GCE AS qualifications awarded on or after 1st April 2016 in:

¹ www.gov.uk/government/publications/general-conditions-of-recognition

² www.gov.uk/government/publications/regulatory-documents-list

- Art and Design
 - Biology
 - Business
 - Chemistry
 - Computer Science
 - Economics
 - English Language
 - English Literature
 - English Language and Literature
 - History
 - Physics
 - Psychology
 - Sociology.
- all GCE A levels awarded on or after 1 April 2018, and all standalone GCE AS qualifications awarded on or after 1 April 2017 in:
- Classical Greek
 - Dance
 - Drama and Theatre
 - French
 - Geography
 - German
 - Latin
 - Music
 - Physical Education
 - Religious Studies
 - Spanish

- all GCE A levels in Mathematics which are both –
 - awarded on or after 1 April 2018; and
 - accredited on or after 12.01am on Saturday 9 April 2016;
- all other GCE A levels awarded on or after 1 April 2019; and
- all other standalone GCE AS qualifications awarded on or after 1 April 2018.

For the qualifications listed above, awarding organisations must instead comply with:

- the *GCE Qualification Level Conditions and Requirements*;³
- the relevant *GCE Subject Level Conditions and Requirements*.⁴

Revisions to this document

This document was originally published as *General Conditions of Recognition in respect of GCE Qualifications*. We have subsequently revised this document (see Appendix 1 for details), most recently in April 2016.

The April 2016 version of this document replaces all previous versions, and comes into effect at 10.01am on Tuesday 12 April 2016.

³ www.gov.uk/government/publications/gce-qualification-level-conditions-and-requirements

⁴ www.gov.uk/government/collections/new-a-level-and-as-level-qualifications-requirements-and-guidance

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Condition GCE1 Assessment arrangements

- GCE1.1 An awarding organisation must ensure that in respect of each GCE qualification which it makes available a Learner is assessed during the months of May and/or June in any single year.
- GCE1.2 Condition GCE1.1 does not apply in respect of any assessment where evidence generated by a Learner in that assessment is marked by a Centre.
- GCE1.3 In respect of each GCE qualification which it makes available an awarding organisation must ensure that –
- (a) it issues a single result, or a single set of results, in respect of each Learner, following completion by that Learner of the assessments to be taken for that qualification,
 - (b) where confirmation of, or a change to, any mark for an assessment has been communicated to a Centre or a Learner in advance of the issue of that result or set of results, no further evidence generated by that Learner will be admissible as part of that assessment, and
 - (c) where any result for a unit has been communicated to a Centre or a Learner in advance of the issue of that result or set of results, no further evidence generated by that Learner will be admissible as part of the assessments for that unit.

Appendix 1: Revisions to this document

The table below sets out when the *General Conditions of Recognition in respect of GCE Qualifications* initially came into force and when they were subsequently revised.

Revisions	Date in force
Updated list of qualifications to which the Conditions apply	12 April 2016
Updated list of qualifications to which the Conditions apply	23 April 2015
Republished as <i>GCE Qualification Level Conditions</i> ■ GCE1 Assessment arrangements (amendment)	31 October 2014
■ First edition (published as <i>General Conditions of Recognition in respect of GCE Qualifications</i>)	5 September 2013

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