



The UK Quality Code for Higher Education

Guidance for using the Quality Code in Higher Education Reviews in 2013-14

The following is designed to make explicit which version of each Chapter of the Quality Code must be used in **Higher Education Reviews** (HER) being conducted in 2013-14.

It makes clear which new or revised Chapters have reached the end of their implementation periods in time to be used in this year's reviews. Two Chapters (*Chapter B4* and *Chapter B10*) reach that point in January 2014 and are therefore included as all review visits will take place after January 2014.

In conducting HERs, reviewers will use the Expectations set out in Annex 2 of the [HER Handbook](#).

Remaining Chapters of the Quality Code were published on 31 October 2013 and will be used in HERs from August 2014. Annex 2 will be updated to reflect that.

An [Implementation timeline](#) illustrating which Chapter comes into effect when for review purposes is also available on the QAA website.

Chapter	URL
A1: The national level	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A1.aspx
A2: The subject and qualification level	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A2.aspx Subject benchmark statements accessed at: www.qaa.ac.uk/AssuringStandardsAndQuality/subject-guidance/Pages/Subject-benchmark-statements.aspx
A3: The programme level	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A3.aspx
A4: Approval and review	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A4.aspx
A5: Externality	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A5.aspx
A6: Assessment of achievement of learning outcomes	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-A6.aspx

B1: Programme design and approval	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/Quality-Code-Chapter-B1.pdf
B2: Admissions	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/Quality-Code-Chapter-B2.pdf
B3: Learning and teaching	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B3.aspx
B4: Enabling student development and achievement	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B4.aspx (Effective January 2014)
B5: Student engagement	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B5.aspx
B6: Assessment of students and the accreditation of prior learning	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/Quality-Code-Chapter-B6.pdf The <i>Guidelines on the accreditation of prior learning in England, Wales and Northern Ireland</i> are currently held separately at: www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Guidelines-on-the-accreditation-of-prior-learning-September-2004.aspx
B7: External examining	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B7.aspx
B8: Programme monitoring and review	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/Quality-Code-Chapter-B8.pdf
B9: Complaints and appeals	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Documents/Quality-Code-Chapter-B9.pdf
B10: Managing higher education provision with others	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B10.aspx (Effective January 2014)
B11: Research degrees	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B11.aspx
Part C: Information about higher education provision	www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-C.aspx

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