

Guide to the Data Submission Process

For T2 Examiner/Moderator posts

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1 Examiner/Moderator posts

Introduction

In order to fulfil our regulatory and accreditation functions as set out in the Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009¹, we require awarding organisations to provide exams delivery data for regulated qualifications.

When will data be collected?

Data will be collected according to the reporting schedule which is agreed and maintained by Ofqual's Data Services team.

What data will be collected?

Examiner and Moderator data will be collected for GCE and GCSE. This is the total number of posts for each qualification.

How will the data be collected?

Awarding Organisations will need to login to the secure FTP site and upload a CSV file to the relevant folder, e.g. T2_Examiners.

In each folder, there will also be two sub folders called **Valid** and **Invalid**. Every time a file is uploaded, the validation process will generate a report, either confirming the file is valid or invalid.

This report will then be placed in the **Valid** or **Invalid** folder for reference. When an invalid report has been generated, a notification e-mail will be sent to AOs and the invalid CSV file will be removed from the folder it was placed in so that a replacement file can be uploaded.

General completion guidelines

If submitting country specific data, awarding organisations should enter the relevant country. Alternatively, if submitting total figures for all three countries combined, the word 'All' should be entered in the country field. This template is not required to be country specific at this time, so 'All' should be used.

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¹ http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2009/22/contents

2 File formats

Standard formats

The first row of the file must be headers as displayed in the 'Name' column of the table below. The subsequent rows must have the values of the data to be reported which must match the format and validation rules below.

Examiner/Moderator posts

Name	Description	Position	Validation Regular Expression	Description of Regular Expression
Exam Series	Exam series data relates to e.g. June 2016	1	^(January March Jun e November)([][0- 9][0-9][0-9][0-9])\$	Full month name of exam series and year.
Awarding Organisation	Name of the awarding organisation	2	^.{1,100}\$	One, to one hundred characters accepted
Reporting date	Date the file was due to be submitted regardless of when it was actually uploaded. Format accepted either 103 British/French dd/mm/yyyy, or 120 ODBC canonical yyyymm-dd.	3	^(20)\d\d[-](0[1- 9] 1[012])[-](0[1- 9] [12][0-9] 3[01])\$	The date in the following format: day (two digits), forward slash, month (two digits), forward slash, year (four digits), or: year (four digits), a dash, month (two digits), a dash, day (two digits).
Qualification	Level and type of qualification e.g. GCE, GCSE.	4	^(GCSE GCE)\$	One of the following list: GCSE, GCE

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Name	Description	Position	Validation Regular Expression	Description of Regular Expression
Country	For AO's to enter the specific country the data relates to e.g. England, Wales, Northern Ireland. If data is an accumulative figure for all countries AO's should enter All	5	^(England Wales Nor thern Ireland All Other UK Regions)\$	England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Non UK, Other UK Regions and/or All will be accepted
Total number of Examiner posts	Total number of Examiner posts	6	^\d{1,6}\$	A numeric value between 0 and 999,999 accepted
Total number of moderator posts	Total number of moderator posts	7	^\d{1,6}\$	A numeric value between 0 and 999,999 accepted

3 Contacts

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