



## Guidance for using the UK Quality Code for Higher Education in Higher Education Reviews in 2014-15

The following is designed to make explicit which version of each Chapter of the UK Quality Code for Higher Education (the Quality Code) must be used in **Higher Education Reviews** (HER) being conducted in 2014-15.

All Chapters of the Quality Code, including those published on 31 October 2013, will have reached the end of their implementation period and will therefore be used in reviews for 2014-15. This will be reflected in Annex 2 of the [Higher Education Review: A handbook for providers](#) (which will be revised and published before the start of 2014-15).

Chapter	URL
Chapter A1: UK and European reference points for academic standards	<p><a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx</a></p> <p>Chapter A1 now formally incorporates the following QAA publications as constituent components of this Part of the Quality Code.</p> <p><i>The framework for higher education qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland</i>  <a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/The-framework-for-higher-education-qualifications-in-England-Wales-and-Northern-Ireland.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/The-framework-for-higher-education-qualifications-in-England-Wales-and-Northern-Ireland.aspx</a></p> <p><i>The framework for qualifications of higher education institutions in Scotland</i>  <a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/FHEQ-Scotland.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/FHEQ-Scotland.aspx</a></p> <p><i>Doctoral degree characteristics</i>  <a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Doctoral_characteristics.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Doctoral_characteristics.aspx</a></p> <p><i>Master's degree characteristics</i>  <a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Masters-degree-characteristics.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Masters-degree-characteristics.aspx</a></p> <p><i>Foundation Degree qualification benchmark</i>  <a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Foundation-Degree-qualification-benchmark-May-2010.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Foundation-Degree-qualification-benchmark-May-2010.aspx</a></p>

	<p><i>Higher education credit framework for England: guidance on academic credit arrangements in higher education in England</i></p> <p><a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Higher-education-credit-framework-for-England-guidance-on-academic-credit-arrangements-in-higher-education-in-England-Augu.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Higher-education-credit-framework-for-England-guidance-on-academic-credit-arrangements-in-higher-education-in-England-Augu.aspx</a></p> <p>Subject benchmark statements</p> <p><a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/AssuringStandardsAndQuality/subject-guidance/Pages/Subject-benchmark-statements.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/AssuringStandardsAndQuality/subject-guidance/Pages/Subject-benchmark-statements.aspx</a></p>
Chapter A2: Degree-awarding bodies' reference points for academic standards	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx</a>
Chapter A3: Securing academic standards and an outcomes-based approach to academic awards	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-A.aspx</a>
B1: Programme design, development and approval	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B1.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B1.aspx</a>
B2: Recruitment, selection and admission to higher education	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B2.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B2.aspx</a>
B3: Learning and teaching	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B3.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B3.aspx</a>
B4: Enabling student development and achievement	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B4.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B4.aspx</a>
B5: Student engagement	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B5.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B5.aspx</a>
B6: Assessment of students and the recognition of prior learning	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B6.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B6.aspx</a>
B7: External examining	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B7.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B7.aspx</a>
B8: Programme monitoring and review	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B8.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B8.aspx</a>
B9: Academic appeals and student complaints	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B9.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B9.aspx</a>
B10: Managing higher education provision with others	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B10.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B10.aspx</a>

B11: Research degrees	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B11.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/quality-code-B11.aspx</a>
Part C: Information about higher education provision	<a href="http://www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-C.aspx">www.qaa.ac.uk/Publications/InformationAndGuidance/Pages/Quality-Code-Part-C.aspx</a>

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