

# SQA results 2020

Scottish Qualification Certificates (SQC) will arrive by first class post on **Tuesday 4 August 2020** for National 4, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher qualifications. Pupils can also receive their results via text or email by signing up to MySQA. SQA send results via text or email from 8am on Tuesday 4 August 2020.

## **Something missing?**

If you do not receive your results or if there is something missing from your certificate, call the school who will then be able to tell you over the phone what your exam result(s) are.

## **Candidate Advice Line**

For help regarding your certificate and your results the SQA Candidate Advice Line is also open from **8 am** from the 4 August: **0345 279 1000**

## **Skills Development Scotland results helpline**

The SDS results helpline **0808 100 8000** will be also be open from **8 am** on results day. The helpline offers advice, information and guidance for young people and their parents and carers. The helpline's careers advisers have unique access to information on UCAS course vacancies at UK colleges and universities, Confirmation and Clearing, advice about Modern, Foundation and Graduate Apprenticeships and jobs or volunteering.

# Post-certification review 2020

**Only schools and colleges can ask for a review of a candidates results. SQA will not accept requests directly from candidates, parents or carers.**

## **How does post-certification review work?**

A candidate is eligible for review only when they have been awarded a lower grade than the grade estimated by the school.

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## Key considerations for review requests

1. Assessment evidence must be available that demonstrates a pupil's performance at a higher grade than that awarded by SQA.
2. The school will discuss with each pupil its intention to submit a request for a review and inform the pupil of the 3 possible outcomes:
  - An SQA marker agrees with the original estimate submitted by the school and upgrades the pupil's result.
  - SQA disagree with the original school estimate and confirm the grade awarded by SQA.
  - SQA disagree with both the original school estimate and the original grade awarded by SQA and apply an alternative, lower grade.
3. The school has the pupil's consent to submit the request for a review.
4. The pupil is aware that, if this review is required for progression, SQA will share the outcome of their post-certification review with UCAS and/or the institution to which they have applied to allow their application to progress.
5. When reviewing a submission, SQA examiners will scrutinise all the alternative assessment evidence submitted by the school to support each review request, and, if applicable, any non-question paper component materials held by SQA for the candidate\*. Examiners will also have access to pupils' refined estimated bands and rank order. They will take a holistic approach to reviewing evidence.
6. Any revised award will be placed in the grade's lower banding — A2, B4, C6, D7 or No Award 9.
7. Post-certification review is available for National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Courses in 2020 only.

\* Before the school's closure, National 5 externally assessed coursework had already been sent to SQA.

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## Priority reviews (See appendix 1)

A priority review can be requested if the candidate requires a result to secure a conditional place at university or college. Priority reviews requests must be submitted by **14 August 2020**. Members of the Senior Leadership Team will be in school on **4 and 5 August** from **10am** to speak to any pupil/parent who is querying a **priority review only**.

**Pupils or parents must not come to the school building; there will still be strict access restrictions in place until the school is officially open to pupils again.**

## Non-priority reviews (See appendix 2)

Non-priority review requests must be submitted by **21 August 2020**. Classroom teachers, Faculty Leaders and Senior Leaders will be analysing exam results on return from the summer holiday to identify if there are any candidates for whom a review may be considered. After **12 August** Parent/Carers can email the following address: [SQAqueries@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk](mailto:SQAqueries@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk) with any review queries; Senior Leaders will reply within 4 days.

Appendix 1	Appendix 2
<b>Priority Reviews</b>	<b>Non-Priority Reviews</b>
 <b>Call the school on 4 or 5 August</b> <b>01620 894661</b> <b>Pupils, parents/carers must not come to the school</b>	 <b>After 12 August parent/carer emails school on</b> <a href="mailto:SQAqueries@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk">SQAqueries@northberwickhigh.elcschool.org.uk</a> <b>Parents/carers must not come to the school</b>
 <b>Senior Leader / Head Teacher will discuss query.</b> <b>Senior Leader/Head Teacher judges if there may be basis for a marking review.</b>	 <b>Senior Leader / Head Teacher will discuss query and liaise with Faculty Leaders.</b> <b>Senior Leader/Head Teacher will contact parent/carer within 4 days of email date.</b>