# **UCAS Tariff tables**



New Tariff points for entry to higher education from 2017

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#### Introduction

This document sets out the points that Qualification Credit Framework (QCF) Level 3 and Scottish Credit and Qualification Framework (SCQF) Level 6 qualifications will attract under the new Tariff. Information about the rationale for the allocation of points to individual qualifications is detailed in a technical Qualifications List available separately at: www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources/tariff-2017

The new Tariff will be used by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) for collecting data on qualifications held on entry for the 2017/18 Student Record – that is for students starting courses from September 2017.

Where universities and colleges use the Tariff to set entry requirements and make offers the new Tariff will apply to students making applications for admission to higher education (HE) from September 2016 – that is for courses starting from September 2017.

This document is aimed at planners, registry and admissions teams in universities and colleges to help prepare for the switch over to the new Tariff. It is also aimed at teachers and advisers helping students to make choices about Level 3 qualifications and to prepare their applications for admission to HE.

It will also be of interest to qualifications regulators, awarding organisations and other organisations that use the current UCAS Tariff.

#### **Background**

The UCAS Tariff was first introduced in 2001 to help those working in admissions to make comparisons between qualifications. It was originally designed to compare very similar qualifications in terms of their preparation for broadly similar HE progression routes. Since then, however, both the range of qualifications held by applicants and the variety of progression routes into HE have increased.

In 2012 UCAS completed a review looking at what information universities and colleges, students, and schools and advisers need about qualifications to facilitate selection for admission to HE. The review identified a number of issues, including students' misunderstanding about how the Tariff is used in admissions, and the needs of admissions teams for more detailed, structured information about qualifications. In response, UCAS has published new guidance for students and advisers on Tariff entry requirements and offers and introduced Qualifications Information Profiles (QIPs), which offer detailed information about qualifications to help admissions staff in considering students with vocational or non-UK qualifications.

The review also identified a number of issues with the effectiveness and sustainability of the Tariff. Specifically, concerns were raised about the inability of the methodology to accommodate common vocational or composite qualifications, anomalies with some point allocations, and the cost and complexity of the management process. In addition, it became

apparent that the original Tariff could not easily accommodate some of the planned reforms to qualifications underway in the UK and also needed to respond to the growing demand from the HE sector for international qualifications to be included in the Tariff.

In response a new Tariff has been developed in partnership with representatives from the HE sector. It is the result of a substantial programme of modelling, testing and evaluation which looked at a number of different options. UCAS has also worked closely with qualification regulators and representatives from the secondary education sector. Our testing has evaluated the potential impact of the new Tariff on students, individual qualifications, admissions practice and university league tables. Taking account of all of the evidence from these assessments we believe that the proposed solution is the one which best meets the needs of students and higher education providers (HEPs).

Following a feedback exercise with the HE sector and secondary education community, in June 2014 the UCAS Board agreed that the new Tariff should be implemented from the 2017-18 academic year.

#### The new Tariff

The new Tariff operates as follows:

- Qualifications are allocated a size band of 1 to 4, based on their guided learning hours.
- Qualifications will also be allocated a grade band of 3 to 14. These grade bands spread across the breadth of Level 3/SCQF Level 6.
- The size band and grade band are then multiplied to form the overall Tariff score.

It is important to emphasise that the methodology behind the new Tariff is entirely different to the version developed in 2001. This means that points under the two systems are not comparable. For example:

Qualification and Grade	<b>Current Tariff</b>	New Tariff
A level grade A*	140	56
A level grade A	120	48
A level grade B	100	40
A level grade C	80	32
A level grade D	60	24
A level grade E	40	16

Qualification and Grade	<b>Current Tariff</b>	New Tariff
Scottish Higher grade A	80	33
Scottish Higher grade B	65	27
Scottish Higher grade C	50	21
Scottish Higher grade D	36	15

#### Using the Tariff for management information and reporting

The primary purpose of the new Tariff is to provide a broad metric for qualifications at Level 3/SCQF Level 6 to support university and college management information needs. The new Tariff will also be derived by HESA on the data submitted by higher education providers for the 2017/18 Student record onwards and a summary report of full-time first degree entrants by Tariff bands, using this derivation, will be provided back to higher education providers during the collection process. To provide a comparison of the effect of existing and new Tariff HESA will provide this summary report for the 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19 Student record collections.

#### **Using the Tariff in admissions**

Whilst many universities and colleges use qualifications and grades, some universities and colleges use the Tariff in their admissions activities, principally to inform and describe entry requirements and offers. Where the Tariff is used students can expect offers to include a mixture of Tariff points and qualification, subject and/or grade conditions.

The table below shows the difference in total points between the current and new Tariff points for two typical offers.

Example of offers	Current Tariff points total	New Tariff points total
Three A levels at grades A, B, B	320	128
Five Scottish Highers at grades A,	340	141
A, B, B, C		

Universities and colleges are free to choose whether or not to use the Tariff and how to deploy it. The introduction of the new Tariff does not alter this.

In line with good practice, it is recommended that admissions decisions should not be made based on Tariff points alone.

The new Tariff will apply to those students making applications to HE from September 2016 for entry to courses starting from September 2017 (the 2017/18 academic year). These students will be those making choices about their Level 3/SCQF Level 6 qualifications during

the 2014-15 academic year, starting those courses in September 2015, and taking their final examinations in the summer of 2017.

Students making applications to HE from September 2014 for courses starting from September 2015 are unaffected, as are those applying from September 2015 for courses starting from September 2016, including those students who opt to defer to 2017. These cohorts of students will continue to make choices and receive offers using the current Tariff.

References to the Tariff on university and college websites for *entry in 2015 and 2016* can be found on the UCAS website at: <a href="www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/getting-started/entry-requirements/tariff">www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/getting-started/entry-requirements/tariff</a>

#### Which qualifications attract points?

#### Level 3/SCQF Level 6 only

The new Tariff only contains qualifications at Level 3/SCQF Level 6 or equivalent. This means that, for example, it does not include Key Skills qualifications at Level 2 or 4. For EU qualifications this is EQF Level 4 or equivalent, therefore the Irish Leaving Certificate at Higher Level is included. The Department of Education and Skills in Ireland has confirmed that grades A1-C2 of the Irish Leaving Certificate at Ordinary Level represent a similar standard of achievement to QCF Level 3 and so are also included in the Tariff for the update in May 2015. For qualifications outside of the EU, evidence is reviewed to make a judgement about their equivalence to this level.

#### Composite qualifications

In general, for composite qualifications the new Tariff allocates separate points to each separate constituent qualification rather than the overall qualification. For example, for the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma, the new Tariff allocates separate points to the Higher Level, Standard Level, Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge qualifications. There is no overall allocation to the whole IB Diploma.

#### The new Tariff process

UCAS will continue to consider qualifications for inclusion in the current Tariff until April 2015. The operation of the new Tariff, including the consideration of new qualifications for inclusion, will start in September 2015.

The new process for adding new qualifications to the Tariff will be faster and more formulaic than the current process. Using the application of a size by grade calculation, UCAS will allocate Tariff points to qualifications using information accredited by the UK qualification regulators. UCAS will seek advice from the Tariff Advisory Group, which will be made up of admissions and education professionals, to ensure that the allocation of Tariff points is appropriate.

#### **Using the new Tariff tables**

The Tariff tables contain the new Tariff points for all of the qualifications that are currently on the UCAS Tariff. They are arranged in three sections:

- 1. **UK benchmark qualifications:** the qualifications most frequently held by applicants from each of the UK countries. They are called 'benchmarks' because they are often used as a reference point by HEPs when looking at less-familiar qualifications.
- 2. **Other UK qualifications:** these are the bulk of qualifications on the Tariff, presented in alphabetical order. This section also includes historic UK qualifications which are no longer taught to learners.
- 3. **International qualifications:** qualifications awarded and regulated outside of the UK that have been allocated Tariff points.

Some qualifications are families with a number of subject titles, for example A levels, Scottish Highers, BTEC Nationals and OCR Nationals. Others are single subject-specific qualifications, for example the AAT Diploma in Accounting.

In most cases the awarding organisation appears in the title of the qualification. However, in some cases there are multiple awarding organisations for a qualification or family of qualifications. Where this happens the awarding organisations are listed below the table, for example, A levels and Foundation Art & Design.

In some cases older qualifications have been, or are being, replaced by newer ones; we have indicated in the tables where this is the case.

Where qualifications are more commonly known by an informal title, we have used this as the heading and listed the official title below. For example, Advanced GCE is listed as A level in the tables.

A summary of the qualifications' size and grade bands are given below each table. For more detailed technical information about how the Tariff points are calculated, please see the Qualifications List available at <a href="https://www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources/tariff-2017">www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources/tariff-2017</a>

#### Feedback and questions

If you have any questions or feedback regarding this document or new Tariff please contact: newtariff-feedback@ucas.ac.uk.

# 1. UK benchmark qualifications<sup>1</sup>

## A level and AS qualifications

The Tariff points listed below apply to all A level and AS qualifications awarded since 2001.

#### A level and Advanced VCE

Official title: Advanced GCE and Advanced VCE

Grade	Tariff points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by AQA, CCEA, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>UK benchmark qualifications: the qualifications most frequently held by applicants from each of the UK countries. They are called 'benchmarks' because they are often used as a reference point by HEPs when looking at less-familiar qualifications.

#### AS and AS VCE

## Official title: Advanced Subsidiary GCE and Advanced Subsidiary VCE

Grade	Tariff points
Α	20
В	16
С	12
D	10
E	6

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 3-10

Offered by AQA, CCEA, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC

Note that prior to 2001 there was a GCE Advanced Supplementary qualification (also known as AS), which was the same level of demand as a full GCE A level. This qualification was withdrawn prior to the development of the UCAS Tariff and has never been allocated Tariff points.

# A level (Double Award) and Advanced VCE (Double Award)

Official title: Advanced GCE (Double Award) and Advanced VCE (Double Award)

Grade	Tariff points
A*A*	112
A*A	104
AA	96
AB	88
ВВ	80
BC	72
СС	64
CD	56
DD	48
DE	40
EE	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by AQA, CCEA, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC

# A level with AS (additional)

# Official title: Advanced GCE with Advanced Subsidiary GCE (Additional)

Grade	Tariff points
A*A	76
AA	68
АВ	64
ВВ	56
ВС	52
СС	44
CD	42
DD	34
DE	30
EE	22

Size band: 4+2 = 6

Grade bands: 4-14 (GCE) and 3-10 (AS)

Offered by AQA and Pearson Edexcel

# AS (Double Award)

# Official title: Advanced Subsidiary GCE (Double Award)

Grade	Tariff points
AA	40
АВ	36
ВВ	32
ВС	28
сс	24
CD	22
DD	20
DE	16
EE	12

Size band: 2+2 = 4 Grade bands: 3-10

Offered by AQA, CCEA, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC

# **BTECs (known as Nationals)**

The BTEC (QCF) suite of qualifications replaced the BTEC Nationals (NQF) qualifications from first teaching in 2010.

## Pearson BTEC Extended Diploma (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*D*	168
D*D*D	160
D*DD	152
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
ММР	80
МРР	64
РРР	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

## Pearson BTEC Diploma (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	112
D*D	104
DD	96
DM	80
MM	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

# Pearson BTEC 90-Credit Diploma (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	84
D*D	78
DD	72
DM	60
MM	48
MP	36
PP	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

## Pearson BTEC Subsidiary Diploma (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

# Pearson BTEC Certificate (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
M	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

## **Cambridge International Pre-U Diploma**

The Cambridge Pre-U Diploma can be gained by a learner achieving at least a pass in the following elements:

- three Principal Subjects
- Global Perspectives and Research (GPR).

The Pre-U Diploma itself does not attract UCAS Tariff points. However, the constituent qualifications of the Diploma do. The Tariff points for a Pre-U Diploma can be calculated by adding together the Tariff points for each of its components.

#### **Principal Subject**

Official title: Cambridge International Pre-U Certificate (Principal)

Grade	Tariff points
D1	56
D2	56
D3	52
M1	44
M2	40
M3	36
P1	28
P2	24
Р3	20

Size band: 4
Grade bands: 5-14

Note that grades D1 and D2 are both within the highest grade band, at the top of Level 3/SCQF Level 6.

## **Global Perspectives and Research**

# Official title: Cambridge International Pre-U Certificate in Global Perspectives and Independent Research

Grade	Tariff points
D1	56
D2	56
D3	52
M1	44
M2	40
M3	36
P1	28
P2	24
Р3	20

Size band: 4
Grade bands: 5-14

Note that grades D1 and D2 are both within the highest grade band, at the top of Level 3/SCQF Level 6.

## Cambridge International Pre-U Certificate (Short Course)

Grade	Tariff points
D1	22
D2	20
D3	20
M1	18
M2	14
M3	12
P1	10
P2	8
Р3	6

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 3-11

## **Cambridge Technicals**

The OCR Cambridge Technicals replaced the OCR Nationals suite of qualifications in most subjects. OCR Cambridge Technicals were first taught in 2012.

The subjects covered by these tables are:

- · Art and design
- Business
- Engineering
- Health and social care
- IT
- Media
- Performing arts
- Sport

# **OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*D*	168
D*D*D	160
D*DD	152
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
ммм	96
ММР	80
MPP	64
РРР	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

# **OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	112
D*D	104
DD	96
DM	80
MM	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

## **OCR Cambridge Technical Subsidiary Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	84
D*D	78
DD	72
DM	60
MM	48
MP	36
PP	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

# **OCR Cambridge Technical Introductory Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

## **OCR Cambridge Technical Certificate**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
M	16
Р	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 14-4

## **Core Maths qualifications**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015. The titles of individual Core Maths qualifications are included at Annex C (page 83).

Grade	Tariff points
Α	20
В	16
С	12
D	10
E	6

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 3-10

Offered by AQA, City & Guilds, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC Eduqas

## **Extended Project**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
A	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by AQA, City & Guilds, OCR, Pearson Edexcel, VTCT and WJEC

#### **International Baccalaureate**

#### Official title: IBO International Baccalaureate Diploma

The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma is achieved by passing each of the required components and achieving a total IB point score of 24 or more.

The IB Diploma does not attract UCAS Tariff points. However, the constituent qualifications of the IB Diploma do. The Tariff points for an IB Diploma can be calculated by adding together the Tariff points for each of its components. Note that the Creativity Action Service (CAS) component is not accredited and does not attract Tariff points.

#### **IBO Certificate in Higher Level**

Grade	Tariff points
H7	56
Н6	48
H5	32
H4	24
Н3	12
H2	0
H1	0

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 3-14

Please note that H1 and H2 do not attract UCAS Tariff points. This is because they are considered to be below Level 3/SCQF Level 6.

#### **IBO Certificate in Standard Level**

Grade	Tariff points
<b>S7</b>	28
<b>S6</b>	24
<b>S5</b>	16
S4	12
<b>S3</b>	6
S2	0
S1	0

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 3-14

Standard Level was considered by the expert group to align in size to the AS - it is therefore allocated to size band 2. It is allocated to the same grade bands as Higher Level.

Please note that S1 and S2 do not attract UCAS Tariff points. This is because they are considered to be below Level 3/SCQF Level 6.

#### **IBO** Certificate in Extended Essay

Grade	Tariff points
A	12
В	10
С	8
D	6
E	4

Size band: 1
Grade bands: 4-12

Certificates in Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge have now been individually accredited by IBO and have been allocated Tariff points in their own right. These are awarded when the certificates have been taken individually.

## IBO Certificate in Theory of Knowledge

Grade	Tariff points
A	12
В	10
С	8
D	6
E	4

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 4-12

Certificates in Extended Essay and Theory of Knowledge have now been individually accredited by IBO and have been allocated Tariff points in their own right. These are awarded when the certificates have been taken individually.

## **Scottish Advanced Higher**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	56
В	48
С	40
D	32

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 8-14 Offered by SQA

## **Scottish Higher**

Grade	Tariff points
A	33
В	27
С	21
D	15

Size band: 3 Grade bands: 5-11 Offered by SQA

#### **Scottish Baccalaureate**

The Scottish Baccalaureate is a group award consisting of a coherent group of subjects at Higher and Advanced Higher. The award consists of two Advanced Highers, one Higher and an Interdisciplinary Project.

The Scottish Baccalaureate itself does not attract UCAS Tariff points. However, the components of the qualification do attract Tariff points. The Tariff points for a Scottish Baccalaureate can be calculated by adding together the Tariff points for each of its components. The Scottish Baccalaureate is graded at Pass or Distinction.

## **Scottish Baccalaureate Interdisciplinary Project**

Grade	Tariff points
A	28
В	24
С	20

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 10-14

Offered by SQA

# Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate - Skills Challenge Certificate (first teaching September 2015 and first award 2017)

Grade	Tariff points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by WJEC

## Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Diploma – Core (awarded until 2016)

Grade	Tariff points
Р	48

Size band: 2+4=6

Grade bands: 6+9 (there are no additional points for grades above Pass)

Please note that for 2015 and 2016 award an interim version of the WBQ was awarded with a grading scale of A\*-C. This attracts 48 points at each grade.

Offered by WJEC

# 2. Other UK qualifications<sup>2</sup>

## **AAT Accounting qualifications**

## AAT Diploma in Accounting (QCF)

Grade	Tariff points
Р	56

Size band: 4 Grade band: 14

The AAT Diploma in Accounting (QCF) has replaced the AAT NVQ in Accounting (see below).

## **AAT NVQ in Accounting**

Grade	Tariff points
P	56

Size band: 4 Grade band: 14

## **ABC Diploma in Fashion Retail**

Grade	Tariff points
D	72
M	48
Р	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-12

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Other UK qualifications: these are the bulk of qualifications on the Tariff, presented in alphabetical order.

#### **Advanced Extension Award**

Grade	Tariff points
D	14
M	12

Size band: 1

Grade bands: 12-14

Offered by AQA, CCEA, OCR, Pearson Edexcel and WJEC

## AQA Certificate in Enterprise, Employability and Personal Finance

Grade	Tariff points
Α	20
В	16
С	12
D	10
E	6

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 3-10

## **Arts Award (Gold)**

Official title: TCL Certificate in the Arts

Grade	Tariff points
P	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

## **ASDAN Community Volunteering qualifications**

## **ASDAN Certificate in Community Volunteering**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

## **ASDAN Award in Community Volunteering**

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

#### **ASDAN Award of Personal Effectiveness**

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

## **BCS Certificate in IT User Skills (ECDL Advanced)**

Grade	Tariff points
P	24

Size band: 3 Grade band: 8

#### **British Horse Society qualifications**

Equestrian Qualifications GB Limited (EQL) accredits training on behalf of the British Horse Society.

## EQL Certificate in BHS Stage 3 Horse Knowledge and Care

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

## BHS Certificate in Stage 3 Horse Knowledge, Care and Riding

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

## EQL Certificate in BHS Preliminary Teacher's Certificate (Equine Coach)

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

#### **BTEC qualifications (NQF) (excluding BTEC National qualifications)**

This suite of qualifications has been withdrawn and is no longer available to new learners. The BTEC Awards, Certificates, Extended Certificates and Diplomas (excluding BTEC National qualifications) were developed by Edexcel to be used as part of the Additional and Specialist Learner element of the Advanced Diploma.

These qualifications were replaced by the BTEC (QCF) qualifications. Details of these can be found in the UK benchmark qualifications section.

#### Edexcel BTEC Diploma (NQF)

Grade	Tariff points
D	36
M	24
Р	12

Size band: 3
Grade bands: 4-12

#### Edexcel BTEC Extended Certificate (NQF)

Grade	Tariff points
D	24
М	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-12

## **Edexcel BTEC Certificate (NQF)**

Grade	Tariff points
D	24
М	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-12

## **Edexcel BTEC Award (NQF)**

Grade	Tariff points
D	12
М	8
Р	4

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 4-12

## **BTEC Nationals (NQF) from 2007**

These qualifications were replaced by the BTEC (QCF) qualifications from first teaching in 2010.

## **Edexcel BTEC National Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
MMP	80
МРР	64
PPP	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-12

## **Edexcel BTEC National Certificate**

Grade	Tariff points
DD	96
DM	80
ММ	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-12

# **Edexcel BTEC National Award**

Grade	Tariff points
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-12

## BTEC Nationals in Children's Play, Learning and Development (NQF)

## Pearson BTEC National Diploma in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*D*	168
D*D*D	160
D*DD	152
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
ММР	80
МРР	64
PPP	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

# Pearson BTEC National Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	112
D*D	104
DD	96
DM	80
MM	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

Pearson BTEC National Subsidiary Certificate in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	84
D*D	78
DD	72
DM	60
MM	48
MP	36
PP	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

## Pearson BTEC National Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

# Pearson BTEC National Subsidiary Award in Children's Play, Learning and Development

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
М	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

## **BTEC Nationals in Early Years (NQF)**

These qualifications have been withdrawn and replaced by the BTEC Children's Play, Learning and Development qualifications.

## **Edexcel BTEC National Diploma in Early Years**

Grade	Tariff points
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
ММР	80
MPP	64
PPP	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-12

## **Edexcel BTEC National Certificate in Early Years**

Grade	Tariff points
DD	96
DM	80
ММ	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-12

## **Edexcel BTEC National Award in Early Years**

Grade	Tariff points
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-12

## **BTEC Specialist qualifications**

These qualifications replaced the BTEC (NQF) (excluding BTEC National qualifications) that formed part of the Additional Specialist Learning (ASL) in the Advanced Diploma. These qualifications are currently being withdrawn and will cease to be accredited in 2018.

#### Pearson BTEC Diploma (Specialist)

Grade	Tariff points
Р	32

Size band: 4 Grade band: 8

# Pearson BTEC Certificate (Specialist)

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

#### Pearson BTEC Award (Specialist)

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1 Grade band: 8

## **Pearson BTEC Certificate in Understanding Sports Performance**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

#### **CACHE qualifications in Child Care and Education**

#### **CACHE Diploma in Child Care & Education**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	144
В	120
С	96
D	72
E	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-12

The above qualification was superseded by the qualification below from September 2014.

# CACHE Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) (from September 2014)

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
A*	168
Α	144
В	120
С	96
D	72

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 6-14

#### **CACHE Certificate in Child Care and Education**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-12

The above qualification was superseded by the qualification below from September 2014.

# CACHE Certificate in Childcare and Education (from September 2014)

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
A*	84
Α	72
В	60
С	48
D	36

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 6-14

#### **CACHE Award in Child Care and Education**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-12

The above qualification was superseded by the qualification below from September 2014.

# CACHE Award in Childcare and Education (from September 2014)

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
Α	24
В	20
С	16
D	12

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 6-14

# **CACHE Extended Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development (Wales and Northern Ireland)**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	168
Α	144
В	120
С	96
D	72
E	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **CACHE Extended Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	168
Α	144
В	120
С	96
D	72
E	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **CACHE Diploma in Early Years Education and Care (Early Years Educator)**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	112
Α	96
В	72
С	56
D	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **Cambridge ESOL Examinations**

# Cambridge English Certificate in ESOL International (Advanced)

Grade	Tariff points
A	32

Size band: 4 Grade band: 8

Offered by Cambridge English Language Assessment

#### Cambridge English Certificate in ESOL International (Proficiency)

Grade	Tariff points
A	42
В	33
С	24

Size band: 3

Grade bands: 8-14

Offered by Cambridge English Language Assessment

#### **CISI Certificate for Introduction to Securities & Investment**

#### CISI Certificate for Introduction to Securities & Investment

Grade	Tariff points
D	20
М	14
Р	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-10

The above qualification was superseded by the qualification below from September 2014.

#### CISI Certificate for Introduction to Securities & Investment (from September 2014)

Grade	Tariff points
Α	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-12

#### **CISI Diploma in Finance, Risk & Investment**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-12

# City & Guilds (Technical) Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner (Early Years Educator)

Added in May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
D*	84
D	72
М	48
Р	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

#### City & Guilds qualifications in Land Based Services

This suite of qualifications includes the following subjects:

- Agriculture
- Countryside Management
- Animal Management
- Forestry and Aboriculture
- Horse Management
- Horticulture
- Land-based Technology

#### City & Guilds Extended Diploma in Land Based Services

Grade	Tariff points
D*	168
D	144
M	96
Р	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

#### City & Guilds Diploma in Land Based Services

Grade	Tariff points
D*	112
D	96
M	64
Р	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

City & Guilds 90-credit Diploma in Land Based Services

Grade	Tariff points
D*	84
D	72
М	48
Р	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

City & Guilds Subsidiary Diploma in Land Based Services

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

City & Guilds Certificate in Land Based Services

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
M	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **Dance qualifications**

#### **Graded Dance qualifications**

Official title: Certificate in Graded Examination in (Theatre) Dance

Grade	Tariff points		
	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6
D	20	16	12
М	18	14	10
Р	16	12	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 8-10 (Grade 8), 6-8 (Grade 7), 4-6 (Grade 6)

Offered by BBO, GQAL, IDTA, ISTD, RAD and RSL

#### **Vocational Graded Dance qualifications**

Official title: Certificate in Vocational Graded Examination in Dance

Grade	Tariff points	
	Advanced Foundation	Intermediate
D	24	20
М	20	14
Р	16	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-12 (Advanced Foundation) 3-11 (Intermediate)

Offered by BBO, GQAL, IDTA, ISTD, RAD and RSL

#### **Essential Skills Wales**

Official title: Essential Skills Wales

Grade	Tariff points
P	6

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 6

Offered by City & Guilds, EAL, OCR, Pearson Edexcel, Pearson EDI, VTCT and WJEC

#### Foundation Studies (Art & Design and Art, Design & Media)

Official title: Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art & Design and Art, Design & Media)

Grade	Tariff points
D	112
М	96
Р	80

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 10-14

Offered by ABC, Pearson Edexcel, UAL and WJEC

#### **Free-Standing Mathematics qualification**

Official title: Advanced Free-Standing Mathematics Qualification

Grade	Tariff points
Α	10
В	8
С	6
D	5
E	3

Size band: 1

Grade bands: 3-10

Offered by AQA, Pearson Edexcel and OCR

Subjects covered: Additional Mathematics, Using and Applying Statistics, Working with Algebraic and Graphical Techniques, Modelling with Calculus

#### **IFS qualifications in Financial Studies**

#### IFS Diploma in Financial Studies

Grade	Tariff points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **IFS Certificate in Financial Studies**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
Α	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **Key Skills**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	6

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 6

Offered by AQA, ASDAN, BHEST, CACHE, CCEA, City & Guilds, EAL, ETCAL, FDQ, HAB, IMIAL, NCFE, OCR, Pearson Edexcel, VTCT and WJEC

#### **Music qualifications**

#### Certificate in Graded Examination in Music Performance

Grade	Tariff points		
	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6
D	30	16	12
М	24	12	10
Р	18	10	6

Size band: 3 (Grade 8), 2 (Grades 7 and 6)

Grade bands: 6-10 (Grade 8), 5-8 (Grade 7), 3-6 (Grade 6)

Offered by ABRSM, RSL, TCL and UWLQ

# Certificate in Graded Examination in Music Theory

Grade	Tariff points		
	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6
D	10	8	6
М	9	7	5
Р	8	6	4

Size band: 1

Grade bands: 6-10 (Grade 8), 5-8 (Grade 7), 3-6 (Grade 6)

Offered by ABRSM, RSL, TCL and UWLQ

#### **NCFE Certificate in Art and Design**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 8

#### **NCFE Creative Media qualifications**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

#### NCFE Extended Diploma in Creative Media

Grade	Tariff points
D*	84
D	72
M	48
Р	32

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

#### NCFE Diploma in Creative Media

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

# **NCFE Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	48
D	36
М	28
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-12

#### **NCFE Photography qualifications**

# NCFE Diploma in Photography

Grade	Tariff points
Р	48

Size band: 4 Grade band: 12

#### NCFE Certificate in Photography

Grade	Tariff points
P	24

Size band: 2 Grade band: 12

#### NCFE Diploma in Preparing to Work in Renewable Energy Engineering

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
D*	112
D	96
М	64
Р	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **NCFE Sport qualifications**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

#### NCFE Extended Diploma in Sport

Grade	Tariff points
D*	84
D	72
М	48
Р	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

#### NCFE Diploma in Sport

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

# NCFE Certificate in Sport

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
M	16
Р	8

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **NCTJ Certificate in Foundation Journalism**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
P	8

Size band: 1
Grade band: 8

# **OCN NI Certificate in Citizenship and Intercultural Studies**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
P	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

#### **OCR Asset Languages**

Official title: OCR Certificate (Advanced) (Asset Languages)

	Grade	Tariff points
Speaking	12	12
	11	8
	10	6
Listening	12	12
	11	8
	10	6
Reading	12	12
	11	8
	10	6
Writing	12	12
	11	8
	10	6

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 6-12

#### **OCR** iMedia qualifications

#### OCR Diploma for Creative iMedia

Grade	Tariff points
P	24

Size band: 3 Grade band: 8

#### OCR Certificate for Creative iMedia

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

# **OCR iPro qualifications**

#### **OCR Diploma for IT Professionals**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	48

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade band: 8

#### **OCR Certificate for IT Professionals**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	32

Size band: 4 Grade band: 8

#### **OCR Certificate in Mathematics for Engineering**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
A	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **OCR Certificate in Quantitative Methods**

Grade	Tariff points
Α	10
В	8
С	6
D	5
E	3

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 3-10

# **OCR Certificate for Young Enterprise**

Grade	Tariff points
D	12
M	8
Р	4

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 4-12

#### **OCR Nationals**

OCR Nationals in a number of subjects are being replaced by OCR Cambridge Technicals. OCR Cambridge Technicals were first taught in 2012.

# **OCR National Extended Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D1	144
D2	128
M1	128
M2	112
M3	96
P1	80
P2	64
P3	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-12

#### **OCR National Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
D	96
M1	80
M2	64
P1	64
P2	48
Р3	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-12

#### **OCR National Certificate**

Grade	Tariff points
D	48
М	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-12

# **Pearson Edexcel Certificate in Achieving Excellence in Sports Performance**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

#### **Pearson Edexcel Award in Algebra**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	3

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 3

#### **Pearson Edexcel Award in Statistical Methods**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	3

Size band: 1 Grade bands: 3

#### **Pearson LCCI Certificate in Accounting**

Grade	Tariff points
D	24
М	18
Р	14

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-12

# **Pearson LCCI Certificate in Accounting (IAS)**

Grade	Tariff points
D	24
М	18
Р	14

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-12

#### **Certificate in Personal Effectiveness (CoPE)**

#### **Certificate in Personal Effectiveness**

Grade	Tariff points
P	16

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 8

Offered by ASDAN and CCEA

#### **Principal Learning**

#### **Principal Learning (Wales)**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	84
Α	72
В	60
С	48
D	36
E	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by: City & Guilds, OCR, Pearson Edexcel, VTCT, WJEC

# **Progression Diploma**

Grade	Tariff points
A*	168
Α	144
В	120
С	96
D	72
E	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

Offered by: AQA-City & Guilds, OCR, Pearson Edexcel, Pearson EDI, Rockschool and VTCT

#### **Rock School Music Practitioners qualifications**

#### **RSL Extended Diploma for Music Practitioners**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	168
D	144
M	96
Р	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

# **RSL Diploma for Music Practitioners**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	112
D	96
М	64
Р	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

# **RSL Subsidiary Diploma for Music Practitioners**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	84
D	72
M	48
Р	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **RSL Extended Certificate for Music Practitioners**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	28
D	24
М	16
Р	8

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 4-14

#### **RSL Certificate for Music Practitioners**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	14
D	12
M	8
Р	4

Size band: 1

Grade bands: 4-14

#### **Scottish qualifications**

# **Scottish National Certificate**

Grade	Tariff points		
	Band C	Band B	Band A
Р	56	42	28

Size band: 4+4 = 8 (Band C), 4+2 = 6 (Band B), 4 (Band A)

Grade band: 7
Offered by SQA

# **Ungraded Higher Certificate**

Grade	Tariff points
Р	21

Size band: 3 Grade band: 7 Offered by SQA

#### **NPA PC Passport**

Grade	Tariff points
P	21

Size band: 3 Grade band: 7 Offered by SQA

#### SQA Core Skill - Higher

Grade	Tariff points
Р	6

Size band: 1 Grade band: 6

#### **Speech and Drama qualifications**

#### **Graded qualifications in Speech and Drama**

The Tariff points allocated to Speech and Drama qualifications follow a similar structure; the titles of the individual qualifications are included at Annex B (page 80).

Grade	Tariff points		
	Grade 8	Grade 7	Grade 6
D	30	16	12
М	27	14	10
Р	24	12	8

Size band: 3 (Grade 8), 2 (Grades 6 & 7)

Grade bands: 6-10 (Grade 8), 5-8 (Grade 7), 3-6 (Grade 6)

Offered by ESB, LAMDA, NEA, RSL, TCL and UWLQ

#### **Speech and Drama: Performance Studies**

Official title: LAMDA Certificate in Speech and Drama: Performance Studies

Grade	Tariff points
D	24
М	16
Р	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-12

#### **Sports Leaders UK: Higher Sports Leadership**

Official title: Sports Leaders UK Certificate in Higher Sports Leadership

Grade	Tariff points
Р	16

Size band: 2 Grade band: 8

#### **TLM Designing, Engineering and Constructing a Sustainable Built Environment qualifications**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

#### TLM Diploma for Designing, Engineering and Constructing a Sustainable Built Environment

Grade	Tariff points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

TLM Certificate for Designing, Engineering and Constructing a Sustainable Built Environment

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
Α	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

# **TLM Open Systems Computing qualifications**

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

TLM Diploma in Open Systems Computing

Grade	Tariff points
A*	56
Α	48
В	40
С	32
D	24
E	16

Size band: 4

Grade bands: 4-14

#### TLM Certificate in Open Systems Computing

Grade	Tariff points
A*	28
A	24
В	20
С	16
D	12
E	8

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 4-14

# University of the Arts London: Extended Diploma and Diploma in Art & Design

# UAL Extended Diploma in Art & Design

Grade	Tariff points
D	168
М	120
Р	72

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 6-14

#### **UAL Diploma in Art & Design**

Grade	Tariff points
D	84
М	60
Р	36

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 6-14

# University of the Arts London: Extended Diploma and Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

#### **UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology**

Grade	Tariff points
D	168
М	120
Р	72

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 6-14

#### **UAL Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology**

Grade	Tariff points
D	84
М	60
Р	36

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 6-14

# University of the Arts London: Extended Diploma and Diploma in Performing and Production Arts

#### **UAL Extended Diploma in Performing and Production Arts**

Grade	Tariff points
D	168
М	120
Р	72

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 6-14

# **UAL Diploma in Performing and Production Arts**

Grade	Tariff points
D	84
М	60
Р	36

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 6-14

# **VTCT qualifications in Sports Studies**

# **VTCT Extended Diploma in Sports Studies**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*D*	168
D*D*D	160
D*DD	152
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
MMP	80
MPP	64
PPP	48

Size band: 4+4+4 = 12 Grade bands: 4-14

# **VTCT Diploma in Sports Studies**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	112
D*D	104
DD	96
DM	80
MM	64
MP	48
PP	32

Size band: 4+4 = 8 Grade bands: 4-14

#### **VTCT Subsidiary Diploma in Sports Studies**

Grade	Tariff points
D*D*	84
D*D	78
DD	72
DM	60
MM	48
MP	36
PP	24

Size band: 3+3 = 6 Grade bands: 4-14

# **VTCT Introductory Diploma in Sports Studies**

Grade	Tariff points
D*	56
D	48
M	32
Р	16

Size band: 4 Grade bands: 4-14

# 3. International qualifications<sup>3</sup>

#### Advanced Placement (AP) Examinations Programme (US and International)

Grade	Tariff points
5	28
4	24
3	20
2	16
1	12

Size band: 2

Grade bands: 6-14

#### **Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education**

New Tariff points are to be confirmed. Awaiting confirmation from HKEAA, the provider of the HKDSE, of qualification size.

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education: Category A subjects: English and Chinese

Grade	Tariff points
5**	TBC
5*	TBC
5	TBC
4	TBC
3	TBC
2	TBC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>International Qualifications: qualifications awarded and regulated outside of the UK that have been allocated Tariff points.

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education: Category A and B subjects (except English and Chinese) including Mathematics taken without Extension

Grade	Tariff points
5**	TBC
5*	TBC
5	TBC
4	TBC
3	TBC
2	TBC

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education: Category A Mathematics: Core Mathematics and Extension Mathematics

Grade	Tariff points
5**	TBC
5*	TBC
5	TBC
4	TBC
3	TBC
2	TBC

#### **Irish Leaving Certificate**

#### Official title: Leaving Certificate - Higher Level (Ireland)

Updated for May 2015.

The Tariff points for the Leaving Certificate (Higher Level) have been reconsidered in light of the Department of Education and Skills and QQI, the regulator of qualifications in the Republic of Ireland, confirming that the qualification is size band 3 as opposed to size band 2.

Grade	Tariff points
A1	36
A2	30
B1	30
B2	24
В3	24
C1	18
C2	18
С3	12
D1	12
D2	9
D3	9

Size band: 3

Grade bands: 3-12

#### Official title: Leaving Certificate - Ordinary Level (Ireland)

New addition to the Tariff for May 2015.

The Leaving Certificate (Ordinary Level) has been allocated new Tariff points following confirmation from the Department of Education and Skills and QQI, the regulator of qualifications in the Republic of Ireland, that grades A1-C2 align to grade bands 3-6.

Grade	Tariff points
A1	12
A2	10
B1	10
B2	8
B3	8
C1	6
C2	6

Size band: 2 Grade bands: 3-6

#### 4. Access to HE4

#### **Access to HE Diploma (England and Wales)**

The Tariff points listed below apply to the QAA Access to HE Diploma first taught from 2014 and awarded since 2015.

UCAS is currently in discussions with the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP) in Scotland and the University providers in Northern Ireland regarding the future inclusion of their access programmes. We hope to provide an update regarding this later in 2015.

#### Access to HE Diploma

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade		Tariff points	
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
45	0	0	144
42	3	0	141
42	0	3	138
39	6	0	138
39	3	3	134
39	0	6	131
36	9	0	134
36	6	3	131
36	3	6	128
36	0	9	125
33	12	0	131
33	9	3	128
33	6	6	125
33	3	9	122
33	0	12	118

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Access to HE: the Access to HE Diploma prepares students for study at degree level. For further information about the allocation of Tariff points to the Access to HE Diploma, please see the Qualifications List at: <a href="https://www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources/tariff-2017">www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources/tariff-2017</a>. General information about the Access to HE Diploma can be found in the Qualification Information Profile at: <a href="https://www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources">www.ucas.com/advisers/guides-and-resources</a>

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade Tariff points			Tariff points
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
30	15	0	128
30	12	3	125
30	9	6	122
30	6	9	118
30	3	12	115
30	0	15	112
27	18	0	125
27	15	3	122
27	12	6	118
27	9	9	115
27	6	12	112
27	3	15	109
27	0	18	106
24	21	0	122
24	18	3	118
24	15	6	115
24	12	9	112
24	9	12	109
24	6	15	106
24	3	18	102
24	0	21	99
21	24	0	118
21	21	3	115
21	18	6	112
21	15	9	109
21	12	12	106
21	9	15	102

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade Tariff points			Tariff points
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
21	6	18	99
21	3	21	96
21	0	24	93
18	27	0	115
18	24	3	112
18	21	6	109
18	18	9	106
18	15	12	102
18	12	15	99
18	9	18	96
18	6	21	93
18	3	24	90
18	0	27	86
15	30	0	112
15	27	3	109
15	24	6	106
15	21	9	102
15	18	12	99
15	15	15	96
15	12	18	93
15	9	21	90
15	6	24	86
15	3	27	83
15	0	30	80
12	33	0	109
12	30	3	106
12	27	6	102

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade Tariff points			Tariff points
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
12	24	9	99
12	21	12	96
12	18	15	93
12	15	18	90
12	12	21	86
12	9	24	83
12	6	27	80
12	3	30	77
12	0	33	74
9	36	0	106
9	33	3	102
9	30	6	99
9	27	9	96
9	24	12	93
9	21	15	90
9	18	18	86
9	15	21	83
9	12	24	80
9	9	27	77
9	6	30	74
9	3	33	70
9	0	36	67
6	39	0	102
6	36	3	99
6	33	6	96
6	30	9	93
6	27	12	90

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade Tariff points			Tariff points
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
6	24	15	86
6	21	18	83
6	18	21	80
6	15	24	77
6	12	27	74
6	9	30	70
6	6	33	67
6	3	36	64
6	0	39	61
3	42	0	99
3	39	3	96
3	36	6	93
3	33	9	90
3	30	12	86
3	27	15	83
3	24	18	80
3	21	21	77
3	18	24	74
3	15	27	70
3	12	30	67
3	9	33	64
3	6	36	61
3	3	39	58
3	0	42	54
0	45	0	96
0	42	3	93
0	39	6	90

Grade credit profile: number of credits at each grade		Tariff points	
Distinction	Merit	Pass	
0	36	9	86
0	33	12	83
0	30	15	80
0	27	18	77
0	24	21	74
0	21	24	70
0	18	27	67
0	15	30	64
0	12	33	61
0	9	36	58
0	6	39	54
0	3	42	51
0	0	45	48

Size band: 12

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# **Annex A: Glossary of Awarding Organisations**

AAT	Association of Accounting Technicians
ABC	ABC Awards
ABRSM	Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music
AQA	AQA Education
AQA-City & Guilds	AQA City & Guilds
ASDAN	Award Scheme Development and Accreditation Network
вво	British Ballet Organisation
BCS	The Chartered Institute for IT
BHEST	The British Horseracing Education & Standards Trust
BHS	British Horse Society (qualifications awarded by EQL)
CACHE	Council for Awards in Care, Health and Education
Cambridge English	Cambridge English Language Assessment
CCEA	Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment (Northern Ireland)
CIE	Cambridge International Examinations
CISI	Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment
City & Guilds	City and Guilds of London Institute
EAL	Excellence, Achievement & Learning Limited
Edexcel	Edexcel (now a subsidiary of Pearson)
Eduqas	Eduqas is a new brand from WJEC, which offers qualifications to all schools and colleges in England and independent schools in Wales. WJEC will continue to offer A levels and GCSEs in Wales; Eduqas will be able to offer the new A levels and GCSEs in England.
EQL	Equestrian Qualifications Limited
ETCAL	ETC [Engineering Training Council] Awards Limited
FDQ	FDQ Limited
GQAL	Graded Qualifications Alliance
НАВ	Hospitality Awarding Body

IDTA	International Dance Teachers Association
IFS	ifs University College (previously known as ifs School of Finance)
IMIAL	IMI Awards Limited
ISTD	Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing
LAMDA	London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art
LCCI	LCCI International Qualifications (qualifications awarded by Pearson)
NCFE	NCFE
NEA	New Era Academy of Drama and Music (London)
OCR	Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations
Pearson	Pearson Education Limited
RAD	Royal Academy of Dance
RSL	Rock School
Sports Leaders UK	Sports Leaders UK
SQA	Scottish Qualifications Authority
TCL	Trinity College London
TLM	The Learning Machine Ltd
UAL	University of the Arts London
UWLQ	University of West London
VTCT	VTCT
WJEC	WJEC-CBAC (Wales)

# **Annex B: Speech and Drama qualifications**

Qualification titles covered by the Tariff table for Graded qualifications in Speech and Drama (page 61)

Awarding organisation	Qualification title
LAMDA	Certificate in Communication (includes Grades 6, 7 & 8) – until August 2015
LAMDA	Certificate in Communication (Grade 8) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Communication (Grade 7) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Communication (Grade 6) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Performance (includes Grades 6, 7 & 8) – until August 2015
LAMDA	Certificate in Performance (Grade 8) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Performance (Grade 7) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Performance (Grade 6) – from September 2014
LAMDA	Certificate in Musical Theatre (Solo/Duo) (includes Grades 6, 7 & 8)
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communications - Grade 8
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communications - Grade 7
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communications - Grade 6
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance - Grade 8
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance - Grade 7
NEA	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance - Grade 6
RSL	Certificate in Musical Theatre Performance – Grade 8
RSL	Certificate in Musical Theatre Performance – Grade 7
RSL	Certificate in Musical Theatre Performance – Grade 6
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting in Pairs (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting in Pairs (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting in Pairs (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communication Skills (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communication Skills (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Communication Skills (Grade 6)

Awarding organisation	Qualification title
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Individual Acting Skills (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Individual Acting Skills (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Individual Acting Skills (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Musical Theatre (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Musical Theatre (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Musical Theatre (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance Arts (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance Arts (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performance Arts (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Shakespeare (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Shakespeare (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Shakespeare (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Text (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Text (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Performing Text (Grade 6)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 8)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 7)
TCL	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 6)
TVU	Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (includes Grades 6, 7 & 8) – until December 2013
TVU	Graded Examination in Music Theatre (includes Grades 6, 7 & 8) – until December 2013
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Acting (Grade 6)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Music Theatre (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Music Theatre (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Music Theatre (Grade 6)

Awarding organisation	Qualification title
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Oral Communication (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Oral Communication (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Oral Communication (Grade 6)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Reading Aloud (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Reading Aloud (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Reading Aloud (Grade 6)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech and Drama (Grade 6)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Verse Speaking (Grade 8)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Verse Speaking (Grade 7)
UWLQ	Certificate in Graded Examination in Verse Speaking (Grade 6)
ESB	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech: Senior Proficiency (Grade 6)
ESB	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech: Language Arts (Grade 8)
ESB	Certificate in Graded Examination in Speech: Spoken English (Grade 8)

# **Annex C: Core Maths qualifications**

Qualification titles covered by the Tariff table for Core Maths qualifications (page 21)

Awarding organisation	Qualification title
AQA	Certificate in Mathematical Studies
City & Guilds	Certificate in Using and Applying Mathematics
OCR	Certificate in Quantitative Problem Solving (MEI)
OCR	Certificate in Quantitative Reasoning (MEI)
Pearson Edexcel	Certificate in Mathematics in Context
WJEC Eduqas	Certificate in Mathematics for Work and Life