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Updated notice and advice to Centres

Release of General Qualification results

June 2010 examinations

Restricted release of results to centres only

Electronic copies of results will be made available to centres, either through secure means on awarding body extranet sites or by EDI carriers as follows:

Date	Qualifications
0001 hours on Wednesday 18 August 2010	GCE, FSMQ, AEA, Extended Project Level 3 Principal Learning Units
0001 hours on Monday 23 August 2010	GCSE, ELC Level 1 and 2 Principal Learning Units Projects

Centres should note that results are issued on a provisional basis and **may be subject to amendment through the published enquiries about results services.**

Please note that not all awarding bodies support EDI results for all qualifications.

The results are issued on the strict understanding that the results files and their contents remain **entirely confidential** to the head of centre, examinations office staff and those teaching staff within the centre or the consortium that, in the opinion of the head of centre, need to be made aware of the information.

The results, or information derived from results, **must not** be divulged to or discussed with:

- other teachers
- candidates or parents
- educational institutions and Local Authorities
- the press
- any other persons

Results data must not be shared more widely until after the students have received their results.

Release of results to candidates

Results may be released to candidates as follows:

Date	Qualifications
0600 hours on Thursday 19 August 2010	GCE, FSMQ, AEA, Extended Project Level 3 Principal Learning Units
0600 hours on Tuesday 24 August 2010	GCSE, ELC Level 1 and 2 Principal Learning Units Projects

Results may only be sent to candidates to arrive **after 0600 hours** on the appropriate date for the publication of results. Candidates **must not** receive results, by post or otherwise, prior to this time. The awarding bodies reserve the right to withdraw the special concession of providing early information about results electronically to any centre which is found to be in breach of these requirements.

Printed copies of Level 3 qualification results will be despatched by awarding bodies to arrive in centres on Thursday 19 August 2010.

Printed copies of Level 1 and Level 2 qualification results will be despatched by awarding bodies to arrive in centres on Thursday 26 August 2010.

Advice on the release of GCSE results to candidates

As hard copy GCSE results will not be available until Thursday 26 August 2010, centres that normally issue awarding body statements of provisional results to candidates will need to consider alternative arrangements to support the release of results on Tuesday 24 August 2010.

Outlined below are three options that should be available to all centres. These take advantage of the fact that electronic result files will be available from 0001 hours on Monday 23 August 2010.

1. Centres that use an MIS package to process their examinations data should consider collating the electronic results files from each of the awarding bodies in order to produce a single consolidated statement of provisional results for each candidate. This would allow each candidate to receive, on results day, a single sheet of paper showing all their GCSE results.
2. If a centre's MIS package does not allow for the consolidation of awarding body results files, then separate statements of provisional results could be produced using the individual results file from each awarding body.
3. Those centres that do not use an MIS package may still produce statements of provisional results by printing them from the awarding bodies' secure extranet sites. If you need to apply for access to any of the extranet sites, you should contact the relevant awarding body.

Centres that have concerns about the validity of statements of provisional results that they have generated should consider printing them either on school or college letter headed paper or on plain paper that is signed and/or stamped by the centre.

Centre generated candidate statements of provisional results **must not** be issued to candidates before 0600 hours on Tuesday 24 August 2010.

Advice to Sixth Form and FE Colleges

In August 2010, sixth form and FE colleges can either accept centre-endorsed statements of GCSE results (i.e. results printed on school or college letter headed paper or plain paper stamped by the centre) or, for August 2010 only, require students to delay enrolment until awarding body generated candidate statements of provisional results become available. Where there is any doubt, a sixth form or FE college can liaise with a candidate's centre to establish the candidate's results or, once certificates have been issued, these can be requested from the candidate to verify their results.

The certificate is the final record of a candidate's achievement(s). There is no distinction between provisional results data generated from an awarding body's extranet site or via a centre's MIS package (which in the majority of cases will list the results from all awarding bodies) and the individual awarding body candidate statements of provisional results. The provisional results are precisely that, they are provisional and subject to change.