
Entry fees and other charges

Summer 2023

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Guidance on our fees and when they apply.

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We are an education charity

Providing high quality assessments that are fair, reliable, and support students in their educational journey

Everyone has the potential to achieve, so we make sure that our qualifications give all students the opportunity to show what they can do and progress to the next stage of their lives. Our qualifications are designed for students of all abilities and are highly valued by employers and universities and taught in more than 40 countries around the world.

We're the biggest exam board in England, and we set and mark around half of all GCSEs and A-levels taken in the UK every year. We work with around 27,000 teachers, lecturers, subject experts and academics who help set and mark our exams.

Born out of five leading universities, we have over a century of qualifications expertise. These public exam boards came into existence to provide an opportunity for young people from a range of backgrounds to access education and make the most of their potential. This commitment to social mobility remains at the heart of AQA's charitable purpose, which is to advance education by enabling teachers and students to realise their potential.

As an independent charity, we work hard to manage our costs because being careful with our money means we can help more teachers and students realise their potential. We know that schools and colleges are always under financial pressure so we never charge more than necessary for our qualifications and services.

We reinvest entry fees into creating and delivering high quality qualifications and assessments, and into being able to offer as wide a choice of subjects as possible – along with comprehensive support and training packages for teachers – now and in the future. We're pleased to say that over the next few years we'll be investing in our support services to make sure we're meeting teachers' needs. It also means we're able to subsidise some of our qualifications.

Income from fees also enables us to invest in our technology and develop a secure, modern, cloud-based platform, which will help protect both us and our customers from the growing cyber threat. It also means we can invest in the future of assessment, including our new on-screen assessment research and development work.

We also deliver charitable activities including [cutting-edge assessment research](#) which benefits the whole education system, and the [AQA Unlocking Potential programme](#), which helps develop and inspire young people facing significant challenges in life.

Summer 2023 exam fees

We provide market-leading specifications and first-class support services that are excellent value for money. All our fees include a comprehensive support and training package for teachers.

Our aim is always to keep our prices fair and competitive – and we understand that no one wants to see prices increase – but like many other organisations we're experiencing a rise in the cost of providing our services.

For most of our qualifications, we've increased the entry fees well below the rate of inflation*. Entry fees for some of our qualifications have increased above inflation, so they better reflect the market and the true costs of delivering these qualifications. This approach means we can continue to offer the widest range of qualifications, invest in our qualifications, and improve our support services.

Supporting good teaching and learning

We enable great teaching and learning by investing in our qualifications and a wide range of resources, support and services through the AQA family – Exampro and Testbase. Exampro and Testbase question banks have been used in primary and secondary schools throughout the country for more than 20 years.

Exampro provides teachers with easy access to AQA past questions and ready-made resources for use in school-based assessment. MERiT enables schools to make the best use of AQA mock exams with useful comparative performance data and reports.

To find out more about what we do, visit our website at aqa.org.uk/about-us

*the rate of inflation at time of publishing our fees is 9.9%

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Entry details

Dates and explanation of charges

Basedata

Basedata is specification, fees and timetable information in the inter-board common format. It is designed to be imported into school or college administration software. Please see [aqa.org.uk/basedata](https://www.aqa.org.uk/basedata)

Entry deadline

The final date for entries to be received by us before additional charges are applied.

Entry fee

The fee charged for each student entered for a unit or qualification.

Late entry fee

Charged for each entry for a **new** student received after the entries deadline for each exam series. This fee is 100 % of the original entry fee and is in addition to the entry fee.

Very late entry fee

Charged for each very late entry for a **new** student received from the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 6). This fee is 150 % of the original entry fee and in addition to the entry fee.

Amendment fee

Charged for each amendment to entries for an **existing** student made from the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 6). This fee is 100 % of the original entry fee and is in addition to the entry fee for any new entry.

Withdrawn entries

We will offer a credit note for each entry withdrawn by schools/colleges before the date specified for each exam series (see table of key dates on page 6).

Late, very late and amendment fees are not refunded. No credit notes are provided for entries withdrawn after these dates (except on medical grounds, where partial refunds will be considered) or where students are simply absent from the exam. Any request for a partial refund of fees must be accompanied by satisfactory supporting medical evidence. Fees paid cannot be carried forward from one exam or series to another.

Late awards for modular qualifications (aggregations)

Subject award entries will be accepted without additional fees during the four week period immediately following the publication of results until the closing date for review of results.

Very late awards

After the closing date for review of results requests for an award (aggregation) in that series or any previous series will incur an additional fee of £48.00 per student per subject award to be aggregated.

Total Qualification Cost (modular qualifications)

The total amount of all fees for each unit necessary to aggregate a subject award for a modular qualification. We do not charge a fee for aggregation, i.e. the entry code you must submit for bringing unit results together for a subject award. The fee does not include re-sits of units.

Table of key dates

Below is a table of key dates for exam series and the dates on which fees will be applied and charged.

Series		Basedata available	Entry deadline	Late entry fee applies from	Very late entry fee applies after	Amendment fee applies after	Withdrawn entries will not be refunded after
Summer	6A23	24 November 2022	21 February 2023	22 February 2023	21 April 2023	21 April 2023	21 April 2023
Summer	6G23	24 November 2022	21 February 2023	22 February 2023	21 April 2023	21 April 2023	21 April 2023

Deadlines correct at the time of publication. Please check our website for the latest information [aqa.org.uk/exams-administration/entries](https://www.aqa.org.uk/exams-administration/entries)

Transferred Candidates

Where a student takes an exam at a 'host' school/college, ie not the school/college at which he/she is entered, a transferred candidate fee is charged for all components per student.

Group request fees only apply if all students in the group are being transferred to the same 'host' school/college.

The table below shows the deadlines for requests.

Please note: **late requests will be charged at 100 % in addition to the regular fee** as stated on page 5.

Series		On time request deadline	Late requests charged from
Summer	6A23 and 6G23	21 March 2023	22 March 2023

For further information on the process for Transferred Candidates and how to access the JCQ eligibility criteria, visit [aqa.org.uk/exams-administration/entries/transfers](https://www.aqa.org.uk/exams-administration/entries/transfers)

[Link to fees section](#)

Fees for Transferred Candidates

This is a one-off fee for all components per student.

Students sitting an exam in the UK

Single student	£38.00
Group request two to five students	£76.00
Group request above five students	£113.95

Students sitting an exam outside the UK

Single student	£76.00
Group request two to five students	£151.95
Group request above five students	£227.90

GCSE specifications summer 2023

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total entry fees
Art and Design (Art, craft and design)	Full course	8201	£44.00
Art and Design (Fine art)	Full course	8202	£44.00
Art and Design (Graphic communication)	Full course	8203	£44.00
Art and Design (Textile design)	Full course	8204	£44.00
Art and Design (Three-dimensional design)	Full course	8205	£44.00
Art and Design (Photography)	Full course	8206	£44.00
Bengali (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8638F	£56.30
		8638H	
Biology (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8461F	£42.00
		8461H	
Business	Full course	8132	£43.70
Chemistry (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8462F	£42.00
		8462H	
Chinese (Spoken Mandarin) (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8673F	£56.30
		8673H	
Citizenship Studies	Full course	8100	£43.70
Combined Science: Synergy (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8465F	£84.00
		8465H	
Combined Science: Trilogy (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8464F	£84.00
		8464H	

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total entry fees
Computer Science	Full course	8525A	£41.20
		8525B	
		8525C	
Dance	Full course	8236	£49.80
Design and Technology	Full course	8552	£41.20
Drama	Full course	8261	£43.70
Economics	Full course	8136	£43.70
Engineering	Full course	8852	£57.25
English Language	Full course	8700	£43.70
English Literature	Full course	8702	£43.70
		8702	
		8702	
Food Preparation and Nutrition	Full course	8585	£41.20
French (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8658F	£43.70
		8658H	
Geography	Full course	8035	£46.30
German (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8668F	£43.70
		8668H	
History	Full course (**denotes paper options)	8145**	£45.65
Italian (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8633F	£56.30
		8633H	

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total entry fees
Mathematics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8300F	£41.20
		8300H	
Media Studies	Full course	8572	£45.65
Modern Hebrew (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8678F	£56.30
		8678H	
Music	Full course	8271	£45.65
Panjabi (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8683F	£56.30
		8683H	
Physical Education	Full course	8582	£45.65
Physics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8463F	£42.00
		8463H	
Polish (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8688F	£56.30
		8688H	
Psychology	Full course	8182	£45.65
Religious Studies	Short course	8061A	£30.80
		8061B	
		8061C	
		8061D	
		8061E	
		8061F	
Religious Studies A	Full course (**denotes paper options)	8062**	£45.65

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total entry fees
Religious Studies B	Full course	8063XA	£45.65
		8063XB	
		8063YA	
		8063YB	
Sociology	Full course	8192	£43.70
Spanish (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8698F	£43.70
		8698H	
Statistics (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8382F	£43.70
		8382H	
Urdu (Foundation and Higher Tier)	Full course	8648F	£56.30
		8648H	

AS and A-level specifications summer 2023

Specification	Level	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Accounting	A-level	7127	£113.40
Art and Design (Art, craft and design)	A-level	7201	£105.10
Art and Design (Fine art)	A-level	7202	£105.10
Art and Design (Graphic communication)	A-level	7203	£105.10
Art and Design (Textile design)	A-level	7204	£105.10
Art and Design (Three-dimensional design)	A-level	7205	£105.10
Art and Design (Photography)	A-level	7206	£105.10
Bengali	A-level	7637	£126.90
Biblical Hebrew	A-level	7677	£126.90
Biology	AS	7401	£57.25
	A-level	7402	£106.40
Business	AS	7131	£70.50
	A-level	7132	£94.35
Chemistry	AS	7404	£57.25
	A-level	7405	£106.40

Specification	Level	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Computer Science	AS	7516A	£70.50
		7516B	
		7516C	
		7516D	
		7516E	
	A-level	7517A	£94.35
		7517B	
		7517C	
		7517D	
		7517E	
Dance	A-level	7237	£150.40
Design and Technology – Fashion and Textiles	A-level	7562	£221.00
Design and Technology – Product Design	A-level	7552	£221.00
Drama and Theatre	A-level	7262	£143.85
Economics	AS	7135	£70.50
	A-level	7136	£94.35
English Language and Literature	A-level	7707	£94.35
English Language	AS	7701	£57.25
	A-level	7702	£94.35

Specification	Level	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
English Literature A	AS	7711	£57.25
	A-level	7712A	£94.35
7712B			
English Literature B	AS	7716AA	£57.25
		7716AB	
		7716BA	
		7716BB	
	A-level	7717AA	£94.35
		7717AB	
7717BA			
7717BB			
Environmental Science	A-level	7447	£143.85
French	AS	7651T	£70.50
		7651V	£138.75
	A-level	7652T	£113.40
		7652V	£226.75
Further Mathematics	AS	7366DS	£70.50
		7366SM	
		7366MD	
	A-level	7367DS	£131.25
		7367SM	
		7367MD	
Geography	AS	7036	£57.25
	A-level	7037	£113.40

Specification	Level	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
German	AS	7661T	£70.50
		7661V	£138.75
	A-level	7662T	£113.40
		7662V	£226.75
History	AS (**denotes paper options)	7041**	£57.25
	A-level (**denotes paper options)	7042**	£94.35
Law	A-level	7162A	£113.40
		7162B	
Mathematics	AS	7356	£70.50
	A-level	7357	£131.25
Media Studies	A-level	7572	£113.40
Modern Hebrew	A-level	7672	£126.90
Music	A-level	7272	£129.30
Panjabi	A-level	7682	£126.90
Philosophy	A-level	7172	£113.40
Physical Education	A-level	7582	£118.55
Physics	AS	7407	£57.25
	A-level	7408A	£106.40
		7408B	
		7408C	
		7408D	
		7408E	

Specification	Level	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Polish	A-level	7687	£126.90
Politics	A-level	7152	£113.40
Psychology	AS	7181	£57.25
	A-level	7182	£98.65
Religious Studies	AS	7061A	£70.50
		7061B	
		7061C	
		7061D	
		7061E	
	A-level	7062A	£113.40
		7062B	
		7062C	
		7062D	
		7062E	
Sociology	AS	7191	£57.25
	A-level	7192	£94.35
Spanish	AS	7691T	£70.50
		7691V	£138.75
	A-level	7692T	£113.40
		7692V	£226.75

Level 3 Certificate (Applied General) summer 2023

Specification	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Applied Business Level 3 Certificate	1	ABS1	£33.50	£100.50
	2	ABS2	£33.50	
	3	ABS3	£33.50	
	Award	1831 (ABS1 + ABS2 + ABS3)	£0.00	
Applied Business Level 3 Extended Certificate	1	ABS1	£33.50	£201.00
	2	ABS2	£33.50	
	3	ABS3	£33.50	
	4	ABS4	£33.50	
	5	ABS5	£33.50	
	6	ABS6	£33.50	
	7	ABS7	£33.50	
	8	ABS8	£33.50	
	Award	1832 (ABS1 + ABS2 + ABS3 + ABS4 + ABS5 + ABS6 or ABS7 or ABS8)	£0.00	
Applied Science Level 3 Certificate	1	ASC1	£33.50	£100.50
	2	ASC2	£33.50	
	3	ASC3	£33.50	
	Award	1776 (ASC1 + ASC2 + ASC3)	£0.00	

Specification	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Applied Science Level 3 Extended Certificate	1	ASC1	£33.50	£201.00
	2	ASC2	£33.50	
	3	ASC3	£33.50	
	4	ASC4	£33.50	
	5	ASC5	£33.50	
	6	ASC6A	£33.50	
	7	ASC6B	£33.50	
	8	ASC6C	£33.50	
	Award	1777 (ASC1 + ASC2 + ASC3 + ASC4 + ASC5 + ASC6A or ASC6B or ASC6C)		

Level 1/2 Technical Awards summer 2023

Specification	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Performing Arts – Final opportunity	1	PER1	£23.35	£70.05
	2	PER2	£23.35	
	3	PER3	£23.35	
	Award	3746	£0.00	

Functional skills specifications summer 2023

Specification	Unit	Entry codes	Fee per unit	Total qualification cost
Functional English Level 1	1 – Reading	8720R	£10.85	£32.60
	2 – Writing	8720W	£10.85	
	3 – Speaking	8720S	£10.90	
	Award	8721	£0.00	
Functional English Level 2	1 – Reading	8725R	£10.85	£32.60
	2 – Writing	8725W	£10.85	
	3 – Speaking	8725S	£10.90	
	Award	8726	£0.00	
Functional Mathematics Level 1		8361	£32.50	£32.50
Functional Mathematics Level 2		8362	£32.50	£32.50

Entry Level Certificates specifications summer 2023

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Step up to English	Entry Level – Silver Step	5972	£38.95
	Entry Level – Gold Step	5973	£38.95
Mathematics	Entry Level	5930	£38.95
Science	Entry Level Single award	5961	£26.25
	Entry Level Double award	5962	£38.95

Foundation Certificate of Secondary Education summer 2023

Specification	Course	Entry codes	Total qualification cost
Chinese (Mandarin)	Full Course	8973	£28.70
	Short Course – Spoken	8971	£19.20
	Short Course – Written	8972	£19.20
French	Full Course	8958	£28.70
	Short Course – Spoken	8956	£19.20
	Short Course – Written	8957	£19.20
German	Full Course	8968	£28.70
	Short Course – Spoken	8966	£19.20
	Short Course – Written	8967	£19.20
Spanish	Full Course	8998	£28.70
	Short Course – Spoken	8996	£19.20
	Short Course – Written	8997	£19.20

AQA Certificates summer 2023

Specification	Course	Entry code	Total qualification cost
Further Mathematics	Level 2	8365	£48.25
Mathematical Studies	Level 3	1350A	£58.65
		1350B	£58.65
		1350C	£58.65

Level 1 and Level 2 Projects and Extended Project summer 2023

Specification	Course	Entry code	Total qualification cost
Foundation Project	Level 1	7991	£40.60
Higher Project	Level 2	7992	£40.60
Extended Project	Level 3	7993	£62.45

Unit Award Scheme (UAS) 2023

1 – 59 students – participation fee per student	£23.15
60 – 299 students – participation fee per student	£16.85
300 + students – participation fee per student	£15.35
The participation fee includes all Unit Award Scheme certificates	
Replacement Unit Award Scheme certificate	£7.15
INSET fee per person attending a live AQA organised meeting – (online/face to face)	Free
INSET fee per full day meeting at a school/college	£996.80
One off registration fee	£399.85

Other charges (GCSE and A-level)

Annual administration fee for overseas school/colleges	£1,074.15
Single fee application/approval fee	£239.80
GCSE Award	£61.05
AS and A-level Award	£88.40
Replacement Certificates/Certified Statement of Results	£43.00
Overseas school/college inspection fee	£239.80

Post-Results Services

For summer 2023 exam series

Review of marking and moderation services	Stage/Level	Cost
Clerical check (per component, unit or module)	Level 1 and 2	£8.70
	Level 3	£8.70
Review of marking (including a free copy of the reviewed script)	Level 1 and 2	£40.35
	Level 3	£46.75
Priority Review of marking (including a free copy of the reviewed script)	Level 3	£55.60
Review of moderation (if the school/college cohort consists of five or fewer students, the review of moderation fee will be half the normal rate)	Level 1 and 2	£242.50
	Level 3	£270.30
Appeals against decisions (only following review of results)	Stage 1 (all levels)	£120.05
	Stage 2 (all levels)	£205.80

Access to scripts services	Level	Cost
Copy of clerically checked script	Level 1, 2 and 3	Free
Priority copy of marked paper	Level 1, 2 and 3	Free
Original marked paper	Level 1, 2 and 3	Free

Level 1 and 2 qualifications includes: **GCSE**, AQA Certificate (Level 1 and 2), ELC, FCSE, Functional Skills, Level 1 and 2 Projects, Level 1/2 Technical Awards.

Level 3 qualifications includes: **AS and A-level**, AQA Certificate (Level 3), Level 3 Extended Project, Tech Levels and Applied Generals.