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Key dates in the examination cycle

Autumn 2021

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There are key dates for the main examination series of **GCSE and GCE AS and A-level qualifications** which are common to all the JCQ awarding bodies. These include dates for access arrangements, entries, submitting centre assessed marks, release of results and final dates for post-result services. Centre staff with teaching and administrative responsibilities will need to be aware of these dates.

Dates appear on timetables and in various awarding body and JCQ documents. However, sometimes a simple date cannot be found quickly when the need arises.

The 'need to know' dates for the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series of GCE AS, A-level and additional GCSE examinations in England, as well as the standard GCSE November series of English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics - Numeracy and Welsh Language examinations are listed on pages 3-5.

NB CCEA will produce its own key dates for the Autumn and Spring Terms of the academic year 2021/22 and will communicate these to centres.

Key dates – Autumn 2021 examination series*

*The exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series of GCE AS, A-level and additional GCSE examinations in England, as well as the standard GCSE

November series of English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language examinations

KEY DATE	DESCRIPTION	QUALIFICATION	CATEGORY
AUTUMN TERM 2021/22			
09/08/2021	Final date for awarding bodies to make basedata available	GCE	Entries
11/08/2021	Final date for awarding bodies to make basedata available	GCSE	Entries
08/09/2021	Final date for entries	GCE	Entries
08/09/2021	Final date for ordering modified papers using <i>Access arrangements online</i> (AAO)	GCE	Access arrangements
08/09/2021	Final date for requesting transferred candidate arrangements using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCE	Exam preparation
20/09/2021	Final date for ordering modified papers using <i>Access arrangements online</i> (AAO)	GCSE	Access arrangements
01/10/2021	Final date to submit Form JCQ/CCA – centre consortium arrangements for GCSE English Language, Spoken Language Endorsement using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE	Centre assessment
01/10/2021	Final date to process applications for access arrangements using <i>Access arrangements online</i> (AAO)	GCE	Access arrangements
04/10/2021	Final date for entries	GCSE	Entries
04/10/2021	Final date for requesting transferred candidate arrangements using Centre Admin Portal (CAP)	GCSE	Exam preparation
04/10/2021	Date of first examination on common timetable	GCE	Exam time
04/10/2021	First date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCE	Exam time
22/10/2021	Final date for submitting GCE A-level Science Practical Endorsement grades (GCE A-level Biology, Chemistry, Geology and Physics)	GCE	Centre assessment
22/10/2021	Date of final examination on common timetable	GCE	Exam time
29/10/2021	Final date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies	GCE	Exam time
01/11/2021	Final date to process applications for access arrangements using <i>Access arrangements online</i> (AAO)	GCSE	Access arrangements
01/11/2021	Date of first examination on common timetable – standard GCSE November examinations (English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language)	GCSE	Exam time
01/11/2021	First date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies – standard GCSE November examinations (English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language)	GCSE	Exam time
05/11/2021	Final date for submitting GCSE English Language, Spoken Language and GCSE MFL Speaking Endorsement grades	GCSE	Centre assessment

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09/11/2021	Date of final examination on common timetable – standard GCSE November examinations (English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language)	GCSE	Exam time
15/11/2021	Date of first examination on common timetable – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Exam time
15/11/2021	First date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Exam time
16/11/2021	Final date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies – standard GCSE November examinations (English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language)	GCSE	Exam time
03/12/2021	Date of final examination on common timetable – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Exam time
10/12/2021	Final date for submitting special consideration requests to awarding bodies – all other GCSE examinations offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Exam time
15/12/2021	Restricted release of results to centres only	GCE	Results
16/12/2021	Release of results to candidates	GCE	Results
SPRING TERM 2021/22			
12/01/2022	Restricted release of results to centres only – GCSE English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language	GCSE	Results
13/01/2022	Release of results to candidates – GCSE English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language	GCSE	Results
13/01/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support reviews of marking – Access to Scripts Service	GCE	Post-results services
27/01/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support reviews of marking – Access to Scripts Service – GCSE English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language	GCSE	Post-results services
03/02/2022	Final date for clerical checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation or other results enquiries (e.g. Missing and Incomplete Results)	GCE	Post-results services
03/02/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support teaching and learning – Access to Scripts Service	GCE	Post-results services
17/02/2022	Final date for clerical checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation or other results enquiries (e.g. Missing and Incomplete Results) – GCSE English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language	GCSE	Post-results services
17/02/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support teaching and learning – Access to Scripts Service – GCSE English Language, Mathematics, Mathematics – Numeracy and Welsh Language	GCSE	Post-results services
23/02/2022	Restricted release of results to centres only – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Results
24/02/2022	Release of results to candidates – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Results
10/03/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support reviews of marking – Access to Scripts Service – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Post-results services

KEY DATE	DESCRIPTION	QUALIFICATION	CATEGORY
31/03/2022	Final date for clerical checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation or other results enquiries (e.g. Missing and Incomplete Results) – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Post-results services
31/03/2022	Final date for requesting copies of scripts to support teaching and learning – Access to Scripts Service – all other GCSE subjects offered as part of the exceptional Autumn 2021 examination series in England	GCSE	Post-results services
22/04/2022	Date by which certificates will be issued	GCSE GCE	Results and certification