

Withdrawal of OCR bookkeeping and accounting qualifications

Following a review we have made the decision to withdraw the Bookkeeping and Accounting qualifications. We will continue to support and assess the qualifications up to the final certification date shown below.

Entry code	Qualification title	Qualification Number	Last Entry Date	Last Certification Date
05524	Level 1 Award in Bookkeeping Skills (manual)	501/0050/6	31/12/17	30/09/18
05525	Level 1 Award in Bookkeeping Skills (computerised)	501/0035/X	31/12/17	30/09/18
05526	Level 1 Extended Award in Bookkeeping Skills	501/0051/8	31/12/17	30/09/18
05527	Level 2 Award in Bookkeeping and Accounting Skills (manual)	501/0034/8	31/12/17	30/09/18
05528	Level 2 Award in Bookkeeping and Accounting Skills (computerised)	501/0120/1	31/12/17	30/09/18
05529	Level 2 Certificate in Bookkeeping and Accounting Skills	501/0119/5	31/12/17	30/09/18

Frequently Asked Questions

Pool of Questions for all qualifications (Note: This does not mean all need to be used)

1. What is the last date I can enter candidates?

The final date to enter learners for these qualifications is 31/12/2017.

2. What is the last date I can certificate candidates?

The final certification date for these qualifications is 31/09/2018.

Please be aware that the last certification date is the final date OCR will produce certificates. Centres are therefore advised to plan for completion of all learner assessment and submit claims at least two months prior to the last certification date.

3. Why is OCR withdrawing these qualifications?

We have reviewed the uptake and performance of these qualifications and have reluctantly decided to withdraw our Bookkeeping and Accounting suite.

4. Are all Awarding Organisations withdrawing this qualification or is it just OCR?

This is an OCR decision. A number of other Awarding Bodies offer Bookkeeping qualifications at Level 1 and Level 2. For details, please view the Ofqual register on the following link:

<http://register.ofqual.gov.uk/>.

5. What will happen if a candidate fails and wants to resit a unit?

Centres are advised to plan for completion of all learner assessment and submit claims at least two months prior to the last certification date.

6. What if a candidate sits an assignment, but we haven't made a qualification entry for that candidate and it is after the qualification entry date?

Learners do need to be entered before the last entry date of 31/12/2017. Please ensure either a named or unnamed entry is made in advance of 31/12/2017. After 31/12/2017 please contact us for advice.

7. I want to enter candidates now but don't know exactly how many I will have. If I enter them through the unnamed option and can't use them up by the last assessment date what happens with my unused entries?

We advise that you carefully plan any purchases of unnamed entries in line with the last assessment dates as they are not refundable. For both unnamed and named routes, entries can be made until 31/12/2017.

8. We are a centre in Wales/Northern Ireland – are we affected in the same way?

Yes, these qualifications are approved to be offered in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The end dates will be the same for all three nations.