

Withdrawal of Sport & Leisure Qualifications

Frequently Asked Questions

Exercise & Fitness	
01783	OCR Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing
01784	OCR Level 3 Certificate in Personal Training
03914	OCR Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Instructing Exercise & Fitness
03915	OCR Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Personal Training

Active Leisure		
03977	OCR Level 1 NVQ Award in Sport and Active Leisure	
03978	OCR Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Activity Leadership	
OCR Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Active Leisure, Learning and We		
03979	being Operational Services	
10279	OCR Level 2 Certificate in Leisure Operations	
10280	OCR Level 3 Certificate in Leisure Management	
10281	OCR Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Leisure Management	
10282	OCR Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Sports Development	

Employee Rights and Responsibilities	
09885	OCR Level 2 Award in Employment Awareness in Active Leisure &
	Learning
09886	OCR Level 3 Award in Employment Awareness in Active Leisure &
	Learning

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

Exercise & Fitness		
Scheme	Final	
Code	Registration	
Code	Date	
01783	31/12/2013	
01784	31/12/2013	
03914	31/12/2013	
03915	31/12/2013	

Active Leisure		
Scheme Code	Final Registration Date	
03977	31/12/2014	
03978	31/12/2013	
03979	30/04/2014	
10279	30/04/2014	
10280	30/04/2014	
10281	31/12/2013	
10282	31/12/2013	

Employee Rights and Responsibilities	
Scheme Code	Final Registration Date
09885	30/04/2014
09886	30/04/2014

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

Exercise & Fitness		
Scheme	Final Certification	
Code	Date	
01783	31/12/2015	
01784	31/12/2016	
03914	31/12/2015	
03915	31/12/2016	

Active Leisure		
Scheme Code	Final Certification Date	
03977	31/12/2015	
03978	31/12/2015	
03979	30/04/2016	
10279	30/04/2016	
10280	30/04/2015*	
10281	31/12/2016	
10282	31/12/2016	

Employee Rights and Responsibilities		
Scheme Code	Final Certification Date	
09885	30/04/2015*	
09886	31/10/2015*	

* [NB - the final certification date for these qualifications has been brought forward]

Please note that the final certification date is the last date on which OCR will produce certificates and therefore it is advised that you plan for completion of all candidate assessment at least 2 months prior to this date.

OCR will continue to support the assessment of these qualifications up to the final certification dates.

- 3. I have DCS / ACS how does this affect the last certification / assessment dates? All candidate portfolios will still be subject to the full quality assurance process i.e. an External Verifier will need to visit your centre to review any DCS portfolios before these can be accepted. If you have already had your two free* visits a year you will have to arrange a final visit to your centre by your EV a fee will be charged for this. Your EV will notify OCR to remove DCS following this final visit.
- * This is subject to minimum candidate numbers. EQA visits for small centres with low candidate numbers may be chargeable.
- 4. We are a Welsh centre / in NI are we affected in the same way? Yes. There is no difference.
- 5. Why is OCR withdrawing this qualification?

 OCR has taken this decision as there has not been the uptake originally anticipated.
- 6. Does this mean OCR is withdrawing all qualifications in this vocational area / sector?

 No, OCR will continue to offer a wide range of alternative qualifications including the Cambridge Nationals in Sports Studies, Cambridge Technicals in Sport, Entry Level/GCSE/A Level PE, GCSE Leisure and Tourism and A Level Leisure Studies. For details of OCR's full provision in this sector, please visit the Sport, Leisure and Recreation section of the website:

 http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/by-subject/sport-leisure-and-recreation/

- 7. Are all AOs withdrawing this qualification or is it just OCR?

 This is an OCR decision. For details of other awarding organisations offering these qualifications, please view the Ofqual register on the following link: http://register.ofqual.gov.uk/
- 8. What will happen if a candidate fails and wants to resit the unit / qualification?

 As long as they were registered before the end registration date and the end certification date has not passed they can continue to claim units/the full qualification. Claims must be made before the end certification date (see point 2 above).
- 9. What if a candidate sits a test / completes their portfolio, but we haven't made a qualification entry for that candidate and it is after the qualification end date? Candidates need to be entered before the end registration date. Claims must be made before the end certification date (see points 1 and 2 above).
- 10. I want to enter candidates now but don't know exactly how many I will have. I usually have *20* candidates and enter them unnamed if I only have 15, can I have a credit for the unused qualifications / components, assuming I haven't incurred any external assessment resource from OCR? How long do I have to claim this credit and how do I claim this credit?
 Entry for these qualifications follows the 'named' route. Full or unit registration fees are non-refundable.
- 11. What alternative OCR qualification(s) could I offer to my learners instead?

 There is no direct replacement for these qualifications however you may want to look at the Cambridge Technicals in Sport.

OCR also offers the Cambridge Nationals in Sports Studies, Entry Level/GCSE/A Level PE, GCSE Leisure and Tourism and A Level Leisure Studies. For details of OCR's full provision in this sector, please visit the Sport, Leisure and Recreation section of the website:

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- 12. What are the changes in assessment between this new qualification and the suggested alternative qualifications and so what do I need to deliver differently? The Cambridge Technicals are assessed through visiting moderation so there are common themes in assessment i.e. an OCR assessor will come to your centre. However, they will be assessing candidate work to ensure it has been marked correctly, rather than monitoring standards at the centre.
- 13. What training is available for this alternative qualification(s)?

 Details on training for the Cambridge Technicals can be found here:

 https://www.ocreventbooker.org.uk/ocr/desktopdefault.aspx

- 14. Where do I get information on this alternative qualification(s)?

 Information regarding the Cambridge Technicals can be found here:

 http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/by-type/cambridge-technicals/
- 15. If our learners have only achieved half of the qualification in complete units, can they transfer that achievement over to the alternative qualification?

 No but they may be able to use some of the work they have produced towards the Cambridge Technicals however this would need to be reassessed against different Assessment Criteria.
- 16. What is the approval process for these alternative qualifications am I already approved or what do I need to do to get approval?

 Details on the approval process can be found here:

 http://www.ocr.org.uk/i-want-to/do/become-an-approved-centre/
- 17. Who can I talk to, to get more information on this?

To learn more about the options available to you please talk to our Customer Contact Centre on 02476 851509 or email vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk You may also want to contact your Regional Account Manager whose details can be found here:

http://www.ocr.org.uk/contact-us/regional-account-managers/

18. What alternative other Awarding Organisation qualifications could I offer to my learners?

There are a number of other Awarding Organisations offering Exercise & Fitness, Active Leisure and Employment Awareness in Active Leisure & Learning qualifications. For full details please view the Ofqual register: http://register.ofqual.gov.uk/