Withdrawal of OCR CLAiT International qualifications

Following a review of the CLAiT International qualifications, we have reluctantly decided to withdraw the qualifications listed below:

Scheme code	Title	Final Registration Date	Final Certification Date
04636	OCR Level 1 Certificate/Diploma for IT Users (CLAiT International)	30 September 2017	31 March 2018
04637	OCR Level 2 Certificate/Diploma for IT Users (CLAiT Plus International)	30 September 2017	31 March 2018

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. **What is the last date I can enter learners?**
   The final date to enter learners for these qualifications is **30 September 2017** (this is the 'Final Registration Date' shown in the table above).

2. **What is the last date I can certificate learners?**
   The final certification dates for these qualifications is **detailed in the table above**.

   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 before the last certification date.

3. **Why is OCR withdrawing these qualifications?**
   These are being withdrawn following a review of the CLAiT International suite. There has been declining uptake for these qualifications and there is no indication that uptake will improve.

4. **Does this mean OCR is withdrawing all qualifications in this vocational area / sector?**
   Although OCR is withdrawing these qualifications we will continue to offer a range of Vocational qualifications in this sector.

5. **We are a UK based centre - what are the alternative OCR qualifications I could offer to my learners instead?**
   OCR offers a range of IT qualifications that can be found by following this link:
   http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/by-subject/ict/

   However, the following qualifications may be of particular interest to centres currently offering CLAiT International:

   - **Digital Employability** http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/vocational-qualifications-qcf-digital-employability-entry-level-1-3-level-1-award-05807-05810/

   This is a recently developed qualification available from Entry 1 to Level 1 and prepares learners to be digital citizens and work in 21st century environments. Like CLAIT, the assessment consists of task-based assignments.

- **ITQ** http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/vocational-qualifications-qcf-itq-2009-levels-1-3-in-it-user-skills-03991-03999-13995/

  The CLAiT assignments you have been using for CLAiT International have equivalent versions available within ITQ. You will not need to change your delivery or assessment if you instead enter the learners for ITQ. The ITQ Centre handbook has a list of the ITQ units that you can continue to assess using CLAiT assignments on page 15.

6. **We are a centre in Wales/Northern Ireland – are we affected in the same way?**
   The end dates are the same for all three nations.

7. **We are based outside the UK – what alternative OCR qualifications are available to non-UK centres?**
   Unfortunately there are no other OCR qualifications that are an alternative to CLAiT International that are available for non-UK centres.

8. **What happens to any un-used entries after the last certification date of 31 March 2018?**
   We advise that you carefully plan any purchases of unnamed entries in line with the last assessment dates as they are not refundable. Entries can be made until 30 September 2017.

9. **What will happen if a learner has a unit withdrawn and wants to claim the unit at a later date?**
   If the claim has been withdrawn and the learner wishes to achieve the qualification, then a new claim can be made and new additional or improved evidence re-submitted until the end certification date. To do this, you will need to submit the claim using another unnamed unit entry.

10. **Who can I talk to, to get more information on alternative OCR qualifications?**
    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