The Department for Education (DfE) has decided some students should be given another opportunity to resit external assessment(s) for Tech Level or Applied General qualifications.

Which students are eligible for another resit opportunity?
Eligible students must be taking a Level 3 Tech Level or Applied General Qualification.

What does this mean for OCR qualifications?
This decision affects only the 2016 suite of Level 3 Cambridge Technical qualifications included on the performance tables.
The following qualifications are not affected:
• Qualifications in the Technical Certificate category (Level 2 Cambridge Technicals)
• Qualifications in the Technical Awards category (Cambridge Nationals)
• The 2012 suite of Cambridge Technicals

What does this mean for my current students?
Before the DfE announcement, students could resit an examined unit once before they completed the qualification. We would then use the best result from either sitting to calculate the final grade.
The announcement means students are permitted a second resit and we will still use the best result from the sittings to calculate the final grade.

My school or college isn’t in England; can I enter my students for an additional resit?
Yes. While the announcement relates to performance tables for England, the additional resit opportunity is available to all eligible students.

Is the additional resit attempt only available for students who have failed two attempts at external assessment?
No, the additional resit will also be available to any student who wishes to resit an assessment in order to gain a higher grade.

Is OCR making an extra exam series available for this additional resit?
No, additional resits should be taken in one of the two series available each year (January and June).

How do I enter students for the additional resit?
Just submit the test entry as normal for these students. Entries can be submitted using Interchange or A2C. A2C entries should be submitted using the test unit base data for the relevant series.

There is a fee for any resit. The fee for this additional resit is charged at the standard test unit fee.

To find out more ocr.org.uk/cambridgetechnicals or call our Customer Contact Centre on 02476 851509
Alternatively, you can email us on vocational.qualifications@ocr.org.uk