

GCSE Engineering and Manufacturing Specification Addendum

Exceptional Assessment Adaptations (for 2020–2021)

This addendum should be used in conjunction with the current specification

The table below shows the units available for Summer 2021 cash in and details where applicable:

- the unit eligible for omission; and
- any temporary adaptations that have been made due to public health restrictions.

Please note: This applies only to candidates who started their GCSE course in September 2019 and are cashing-in at qualification level in Summer 2021

Content	Assessment	Weightings	Assessment Adaptations 2020–2021
Unit 1: Design	Controlled assessment Design portfolio Students complete one task in response to one design brief (from a choice of two). Teachers mark the task, and we moderate the results.	25%	Centres are allowed to produce the technical drawings required in the portfolio by hand or using software. <i>Internally assessed tasks issued in the academic year 2019-20 can be carried across in to 2020-21.</i>
Unit 2: Production	Externally assessed practical examination 3 hours Manufactured product Students complete one task in response to one assignment under examination conditions.	25%	This unit will be eligible for omission for candidates cashing in for the qualification level grade in Summer 2021. This unit will still be available for any candidates wishing to be assessed in all units.

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Unit 3: Materials, Processes and Systems	External written examination 2 hours Students answer five questions in Section A. Students answer six questions in Section B. Section A is based on pre-release material.	50%	No changes

For those students who started their GCSE course in September 2019 and are due to cash in the full GCSE in Summer 2021 should they choose to sit all units of the GCSE, they will receive the higher of either:

- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the required units specified by CCEA; or
- the grade awarded on the basis of the outcome of the full set of units for that qualification.

In both cases the full specification content should still be delivered.

For candidates commencing their GCSE course in September 2020, it is recommended that, as far as possible, the units are delivered in numerical order in case of any further disruption to the academic year.