



All Responsible Officers

26 May 2021

Annual Statement to your regulator

Dear Responsible Officer

We are confirming our high-level approach to the annual statement of compliance for 2021.

Condition B2 of the General Conditions of Recognition (Ofqual and CCEA Regulation) and the Standard Conditions of Recognition (Qualifications Wales) requires you, and the Chair of your Governing Body, to jointly submit an [annual statement](#) specifying whether or not your organisation is fully compliant with your Conditions of Recognition.

We anticipate opening the window for the annual statement in the autumn – likely October - but we will confirm exact details later this summer.

As in 2020, we are adopting a 3-country approach this year with Qualifications Wales and CCEA Regulation which means any data submitted will be shared with the regulator you are regulated by.

This means you will need to complete one statement in a standard format agreed by the 3 regulators. We will be using Ofqual's survey platform to collect your responses as we did last year – most of you will already be familiar with Ofqual's Citizen Space platform which is used for consultations and AO surveys. Please be assured, the survey link is private and only available to AOs.

You will remember that last year, rather than the usual approach of asking whether or not you're compliant with all Conditions, we had a streamlined statement with focussed questions. We feel it would be valuable to return to the standard approach of asking you to consider your compliance against all relevant conditions this year. We will also include some specific questions around key areas, and are currently working through the details as to the types of questions and topics we are jointly interested in. We will be able to give more information in advance of release.

As per last year, your Chair will need to sign off your statement, however we will not ask them to log into the survey platform to do so. All other normal governance arrangements apply.

If you have any questions about the 2021 process, please reply directly to this letter on the Portal or contact your relevant regulator.

Yours sincerely,



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