

# Vocational Qualifications (VQs)

Due to the wide range and diversity of vocational qualifications, there is no one appropriate overarching approach. The solutions to VQs have had the same broad principles applied across all types of qualifications, with the aim of protecting learners and ensuring fairness. For qualifications taken only by learners in Wales, we worked closely with awarding bodies and stakeholders to make the right decisions.

Awarding bodies have decided which of the three following mitigations to apply to each of their qualifications based on the purpose of the qualification and how it is assessed:

## Calculate

A calculated grade, if possible

## Adapt

Where calculation is not possible, consideration is given to adapting existing assessments

## Delay

Reschedule assessments where it is clear that neither calculation nor adaptation is possible

Each awarding body will give information and advice on how they have awarded their qualifications this year. For more information, visit Qualifications Wales ([www.qualificationswales.org/english/coronavirus---covid-19/frequently-asked-questions/vocational-qualifications](http://www.qualificationswales.org/english/coronavirus---covid-19/frequently-asked-questions/vocational-qualifications)) and Ofqual ([www.analytics.ofqual.gov.uk/apps/AllQualifications/summer2020tool](http://www.analytics.ofqual.gov.uk/apps/AllQualifications/summer2020tool)).