

Certification Advice

This page provides Examination Officers with information and guidance regarding the certification of students for GCE Further Mathematics Awards.

The Further Mathematics Support Programme cannot arrange the certification of awards for students tutored through the programme. Certification must be requested by the examination centres through which the students sat their Further Mathematics examinations, in the same way as for the students' other AS/A level qualifications.

Award codes for GCE Further Mathematics awards can be viewed [here](#).

Re-certification

Whenever an entry is made for any qualification in GCE Mathematics or Further Mathematics, all such qualifications with the same specification that have previously certificated should be re-entered for.

For a candidate entering for Mathematics and Further Mathematics with the same specification, re-certificating 'unlocks' all units and makes all units available to optimise the grade for each qualification.

For example, a candidate certifies for AS Mathematics and AS Further Mathematics in Year 12, with Statistics 1 counting towards AS Further Mathematics. The candidate certifies for A2 Mathematics (and possibly A2 Further Mathematics) in Year 13. Statistics 1 is 'locked' into Further Maths, so cannot be used towards Maths – some of the otherwise valid combinations are not available and the candidate may not be awarded the best possible grades. Re-certificating the two AS qualifications in Year 13 'unlocks' all units and makes them all available to optimise the grade for each qualification.

Manual Certification

Where a student is certifying for GCE Further Mathematics having certificated for GCE Mathematics with a different awarding body, in addition to completing the normal request for certification/re-certification, the examination centre must also advise the relevant Further Mathematics awarding body by requesting 'manual' certification as follows:

OCR or OCR(MEI) Further Mathematics

Complete their [Manual Certification](#) form from their website and submit it to OCR.

AQA, Edexcel or WJEC Further Mathematics

Write to the awarding body providing details of the student(s), candidate number(s) and both Mathematics and Further Mathematics awards and modules. A suggested format for the letter is as follows:

"Certification Request

Some of our students have studied for a GCE in Further Mathematics through the Further Mathematics Support Programme this year, with the result that they are seeking mathematics awards from more than one awarding body. I believe that you will be manually aggregating the marks of such students and that you require the information below in order that the students concerned can be certificated appropriately this summer.

School/College:

Exam Centre No:

Student:

Date of birth of student:

Candidate No:

GCE Mathematics Specification and Award:

GCE Mathematics Modules:

GCE Further Mathematics Specification and Award:

GCE Further Mathematics Modules:

Please don't hesitate to contact me if the information above is insufficient or if you anticipate any problems with the certification of these students."

When contacting AQA regarding manual certification please email to;
maths@aqa.org.uk

New Specifications

Under the new linear specifications there is no need to manually certificate during exam entry if you are studying different specification for Mathematics and Further Mathematics A level.

We hope the information provided here is helpful to you. Please don't hesitate to contact the FMSP Admin Team (admin@furthermaths.org.uk) if you have any questions.

For enquires relating to FMSP Wales students please contact;
adminwales@furthermaths.org.uk.