



Functional Skills Key Dates

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Timelines for New Paper Introductions and Result Releases

To ensure the integrity and consistency of our assessments, we regularly update our bank of live papers and retire our current set of papers for use as mock assessments. When we launch new papers, we conduct a standard setting and validation process called 'Awarding'. As we use actual learner responses and data to establish a pass threshold, we have to ensure we have sufficient responses and data to do this. Therefore, we temporarily extend our standard six-day result turnaround.

To assist you in organising assessments and planning results releases, we have provided a schedule for introducing new papers throughout the year. Every result from a newly introduced paper will have a predetermined release date, offering clarity on when to expect learner results. If a result isn't provided within six working days, it will be delivered by the designated date.

Timeframes

The below table shows the:

- date new assessment papers will be introduced
- awarding dates – within this time the 6-day results release will not apply as we build up the required data to set the pass mark
- results release from date – from this point all results will be available for those assessments sat between the awarding dates.

Any assessments sat from the last date in the "Awarding Dates" column will have the 6-day results release.

Delivery Mode	New Assessment Papers Introduced	Awarding Dates	Results Release From
Online*	08/01/2024	08/01/2024 – 04/02/2024	05/02/2024
	01/04/2024	01/04/2024 – 05/05/2024	06/05/2024
	05/08/2024	05/08/2024 – 08/09/2024	09/09/2024
	04/11/2024	04/11/2024 – 08/12/2024	09/12/2024
	03/02/2025	03/02/2025 – 09/03/2025	10/03/2025
	01/05/2025	01/05/2025 – 01/06/2025	02/06/2025
	08/09/2025	08/09/2025 – 12/10/2025	13/10/2025
	01/12/2025	01/12/2025 – 11/01/2026	12/01/2026
Paper based	01/02/2024	01/02/2024 – 10/03/2024	11/03/2024
	06/05/2024	06/05/2024 – 09/06/2024	10/06/2024
	29/07/2024	29/07/2024 – 01/09/2024	02/09/2024
	09/12/2024	09/12/2024 – 19/01/2025	20/01/2025
	10/03/2025	10/03/2025 – 13/04/2025	14/04/2025
	04/08/2025	04/08/2025 – 07/09/2025	08/09/2025
	27/10/2025	27/10/2025 – 30/11/2025	01/12/2025
	26/01/2026	26/01/2026 – 01/03/2026	02/03/2026

*For online assessments, this includes both centre invigilation and/or remote invigilation by TQUK.

Online assessments are available from 9am on the 'New Assessment Papers Introduced' date listed in the table above. This is due to routine maintenance on our exam system.

This document is under regular review and dates may change. In cases where changes are made, the latest version of the document will be made available on the [Functional Skills Resources page](#) of our website, and communicated by email via our Spark newsletter.