

Updates to National 3 to Higher Geography



We have updated some Unit assessment support packs for National 3 to Higher Courses. This follows the revisions made to Unit Specifications in April 2015, and feedback gathered from centres during session 2014–15.

Updated Unit assessment support packs are now available for National 3 to Higher Geography. The updated packs are dated 'August 2015'.

We also made some further minor amendments to improve clarity and reduce the amount of assessment evidence required to the following Unit Specifications:

- Global Issues (National 3)
- Human Environments (National 4)
- Physical Environments (National 4)
- Physical Environments (National 5)
- Physical Environments (Higher)
- Human Environments (Higher)
- Global Issues (Higher)

These changes should have been made in April 2015 but were overlooked. The Unit assessment support packs have been updated to reflect these changes.

Please refer to the following 'Notification of Changes' tables for your curricular area, as these provide a summary of the changes to each document and include details of the revised version numbers.

- [Social Studies \(Society\) National 3 to National 5 Notification of Changes Log](#)
- [Social Studies \(Society\) Higher Notification of Changes Log](#)

Notification of Changes tables for all subjects are available from www.sqa.org.uk/cfsubjectchanges

The use of SQA-produced Unit assessments is not mandatory; however, if you are using them, we strongly encourage you to use the most up-to-date versions. Please note that you may continue to use existing versions of the Unit assessments until the end of session 2015–16 and both will be accepted for verification purposes.

The updated Unit assessment support materials are available from our secure website and you can arrange access to them through your SQA Co-ordinator.

Further information on the reasons for the changes to Unit assessment support, and guidance on the next steps to take, is provided below.

Subject	Reason for change	Next steps for centres
National 3 to Higher Geography (all Unit assessment support packs)	<p>The changes to the Unit assessment support packs reflect the amendments which have been made to the Unit Specifications.</p> <p>They were made to improve clarity and to reduce the amount of assessment evidence required.</p>	Centres are advised to download new copies of the revised documents.