

Qualification Verification Summary Report NQ Verification 2018–19

Section 1: Verification group information

Verification group name:	Italian
Verification event/visiting information	Event
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National Courses verified:

C842 75 National 5 Italian: Performance—talking (IACCA)*
C842 76 Higher Italian: Performance—talking (IACCA)

Section 2: Comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

Centres have become familiar with the National 5 performance—talking assessment, which was revised in 2017. It is pleasing to note that centres have applied the revised assessment effectively. In 2019, in turn, a revised format has been introduced for Higher, and centres have adopted this in an effective manner also.

Assessment judgements

For National 5 performance—talking, all centres in the verification sample had awarded marks in line with national standards. For Higher, centres had generally awarded marks in line with national standards. Occasionally, however, the range of verbs and structures used was too limited for the level, or too repetitive, to justify the mark awarded.

^{*} Internally-assessed component of course assessment

Section 3: General comments

As in previous years, verifiers noted evidence of effective internal verification, including documented professional dialogue between assessor and internal verifier. This resulted in a high level of consistency in many centres. For all verification submissions, centres should supply a completed candidate assessment record for each candidate.

In most performances, candidates responded well to supportive assessors. The use of open-ended questions often gave candidates the opportunity to use language and to express opinions which were appropriate to the level.