SCOTTISH QUALIFICATIONS AUTHORITY

Moderation Feedback

Assessment Panel:	**RMPS**

Qualification area

Subject(s) and Level(s) included in this report	**RMPS – Higher, Intermediate 1 and 2, Access 3 and Advanced Higher**

Central Moderation

General comments on central moderation activity

The moderation process was efficient, the team worked well. We discussed many issues.

Specific issues identified

The following issues were identified and discussed having moderated the evidence.

- Candidates are still being coursed at the inappropriate level, this is mostly for Higher, and centres submitting evidence at this stage at Higher when clearly the candidates are Intermediate 2.
- There was a substantial amount of overgrading candidates. 'As' being awarded when the candidate in our view was borderline. It would also be timely here to remind centres that marks and grades are not required, just, Pass, Fail or Beyond a Pass.
- Borderline passes at NAB level will almost certainly not achieve a pass at the External Exam. This will raise problems – in the areas of expectations and concordance.
- One or two centres were not up to date with the changes in the RMPS arrangements, consequently their candidates had been hugely over-assessed.
- We all felt that there were serious problems with **evaluation** evidence. Candidates are still writing in an outcome based approach, doing what is 'enough' but consequently any evaluating skills are sacrificed.
- **Good** evidence of evaluation at Advanced Higher level, this evidence was of a good standard and appropriate.
- Some good evidence at Intermediate 1 level. Candidates well prepared.

Feedback to centres

As stated on previous page.