

Moderation Feedback - Central

Assessment Panel:

Travel and Tourism

Qualification area

**Subject(s) and Level(s)
included in this report**

Travel and Tourism
Int. 1, Int. 2, Higher

Central Moderation

General comments on central moderation activity

The event was well organised, although it was felt that the early morning briefing session in a separate building was, perhaps, unnecessary.

The Instructions to Central Moderators handed out at the meeting differ slightly from those in the Handbook for Senior Moderators.

Specific issues identified

Moderators felt that it was pointless considering submissions in which the evidence was incomplete.

In some submissions there was no evidence that the centre had assessed the candidates' responses to particular tests.

Some centres are not using checklists provided in NABs.

In some instances where checklists have been used, not all the sections had been completed.

One centre used non-NAB/AEP materials that had not been prior moderated. Fortunately the material was acceptable.

In one case it appeared that candidates had failed the unit because the centre had provided inadequate assessment guidelines.

Moderators have some concerns about the authenticity of evidence involving word-processed reports.

One centre entered a "deferred" result that is no longer acceptable.

Feedback to centres

Centres should ensure that all evidence submitted for central moderation has been marked and that there is evidence of clear, concise feedback to candidates.

Where checklists are provided in NABs, centres are recommended to use them or to use a similar centre devised document. Centres should also ensure that all parts of the checklist have been completed prior to submitting evidence to SQA.

Where non-NAB/AEP materials are used it is recommended that they are prior moderated by SQA before presentation to candidates.

Centres must ensure that candidates receive clear and concise guidelines on assessment evidence requirements.

Centres should note that “deferred” results are no longer acceptable.