



NQ Verification 2016–17

Key Messages Round 2

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Section 1: Verification group information

Verification group name:	Gaelic Learners
Verification event/visiting information	Event
Date published:	June 2017

National Courses/Units verified:

H279 74 Modern Languages Assignment (National 4) Added Value Unit

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Section 2: Comments on assessment

Assessment approaches

All centres used the SQA Modern Languages Assignment (National 4) Added Value Unit effectively.

Centres had amended the assessment approach which is to be commended. The texts used for assessment standard 1.1 facilitated good responses for assessment standards 1.2 and 1.3.

Interlocutors were encouraging and supportive of their candidates during the assessment of assessment standard 1.3.

There was a good range of contexts. Personalisation and choice allowed candidates to display their language resource and to give more detailed responses.

Assessment judgements

All centres used the judging evidence tables effectively.

Assessment judgements were in line with national standards and centres provided clear and concise commentaries to justify these.

There was robust internal verification in evidence from all centres, in particular commentaries and notes.

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Section 3: General comments

Many candidates displayed an impressive range of vocabulary and high levels of confidence for National 4 level.

Centres should ensure that recordings of candidates are of a quality which will facilitate verification of their assessment judgements. However, the provision of detailed commentaries on candidates' responses and performances allowed for verification to proceed.

Centres showed a good awareness of the language used in the judging evidence tables and the official documentation. Centres should continue to ensure that they are aware of this, and continue to use it in helping make, and to justify their assessment decisions.