

Guidance for internally assessed coursework component — National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher Physical Education: Performance



This guidance outlines what centres should do if a candidate cannot attend a single performance assessment for reasons beyond their control, or if a candidate is injured during a single performance assessment. **It is not for candidates who believe they have under-performed on the day.**

Centres must use their established absence procedures to decide whether a candidate's absence is genuine and unavoidable or if an injury has genuinely affected performance.

Queries in relation to disabled candidates should be sent to aarequests@sqa.org.uk

Candidates who cannot attend a single performance assessment

If a candidate, for reasons beyond their control, is unable to participate in a single performance assessment then, in the first instance, they should be offered another assessment opportunity (in some cases, for centre organisational reasons, this assessment may be in a different activity to the original planned activity).

If it is not possible to reschedule a performance (for reasons beyond the candidate's control) then centres could review any suitable alternative evidence (for example classwork, videos) and award an appropriate mark. The alternative evidence must be from the same academic year of presentation.

If the above options are not available then the candidate cannot be awarded a mark for the performance.

Candidates who are injured during a single performance assessment

If sufficient performance has taken place for marks to be awarded, then the candidate should not be offered another assessment opportunity.

If the candidate is injured early in the performance, then they should be offered another assessment opportunity (in some cases, for centre organisational reasons, this assessment may be in a different activity to the original planned activity).

If it is not possible to reschedule a performance (for reasons beyond the candidate's control) then centres should review any suitable alternative evidence (for example classwork, videos) and award an appropriate mark. The alternative evidence must be from the same academic year of presentation.

If the above options are not available then the candidate cannot be awarded a mark for the performance.

The flow diagram on the next page summarises this guidance.

Guidance for centres: candidates who cannot attend, or complete, a single performance assessment for reasons beyond their control

It is not applicable to candidates who believe they have underperformed on the day.

