

Updates to Unit assessment support packs for National 3 to Higher Media Courses



We have updated some Unit assessment support for National 3 to Higher Courses. This follows feedback gathered from centres during session 2014–15.

Updated Unit assessment support materials are now available for National 3-Higher Media. The updated materials are dated 'August 2015'.

Please refer to the following 'Notification of Changes' tables for your curricular area, as these provide a summary of the changes to each document and include details of the revised version numbers.

- [Expressive Arts National 3 to National 5 Notification of Changes Log](#)
- [Expressive Arts Higher Notification of Changes Log](#)

Notification of Changes tables for all subjects are available from www.sqa.org.uk/cfesubjectchanges

The use of SQA-produced Unit assessments is not mandatory; however, if you are using them, we strongly encourage you to use the most up-to-date versions. Please note that you may continue to use existing versions of the Unit assessments until the end of session 2015–16 and both will be accepted for verification purposes.

The updated Unit assessment support materials are available from our secure website and you can arrange access to them through your SQA Co-ordinator.

The changes made to the Media Unit assessment support packs are minor and should not necessitate a change in assessment practice. No Assessment Standards have been altered.

Following feedback from practitioners and live verification events, alterations have been made to allow for ease and clarity in meeting Assessment Standards. Minor amendments have been made to the wording of tasks and additional advice has been provided in judging evidence tables. The changes have been made to more accurately reflect the level and provide sufficient differentiation between levels.

- In the National 3 Creating Media Content Unit-by-Unit pack the assessment task has been clarified to include reference to the appropriate number of ideas required.
- In the National 4 Added Value Unit assessment there have been some minor clarifications to the assessment task, particularly in relation to the number of ideas required for Stage 1.
- In the National 4 Analysing Media Content Unit-by-Unit pack some minor changes to wording have been made to the judging evidence table and the assessment task.
- In all of the National 5 Analysing Media Content packs, additional advice has been provided in columns three and four of the judging evidence tables to clarify the

relationship between Assessment Standards 1.1 and 1.5 in relation to the coverage of key aspects.

- In the National 5 Combined Unit assessment support pack some minor changes have been made to the wording of the assessment task so that it better reflects the judging evidence table.

Centres are advised to download new copies of the revised documents.