

Quality Network 14 June 2013

Question & Answer Session

Q1. Allowing resits or partial resits for Phase Tests does not prepare apprentices for the Skills Test where resits are not allowed?

A1. It is a Unit within the PDA and should be treated as any other Unit, resits are allowed for any other Unit. There is also a pilot reviewing the Skills Test within Painting and Decorating which may lead to changes in how the Skills Test is carried out.

Q2. In the past SQA send new Units/TAP's in PDF Format, can this be changed to Word making publishing at college much easier?

A2. All recording documents are provided in Word format to allow proper use of the forms, these are available via the SQA Secure Web Site along with the TAP's.

Q3. Can Windows Unit be reintroduced Joinery Lecturing Staff all agree a mistake has been made?

A3. The Unit is no longer part of the PDA and therefore it is not required to be taught, centres may wish to provide it as an add on if employers require their Apprentices to learn the skills required.

Q4. Are CITB AO's aware of the Points Raised regarding Phase Tests (Progress to 2nd yr if student Fails Phase Test).

A4. This is an issue for AO's and not relevant to the delivery of the award, centres should escalate queries from Apprentices to the relevant AO.

Q5. Can 2nd yr brickwork Phase Test be made a paired model, as at the moment each learner will need 350 bricks plus per model?

A5. Answer to be provided.

Q6. Under drawing evidence, does sketching have to be part of the evidence or can it just be drawings?

A6. Answer to be provided.

Q7. For Appreciation of Access Platforms and Equipment TAP would it be possible to write a new Unit Spec as the Unit is 4 years old and is not specific ie How Many Faults etc?

A7. There are no plans to review this Unit is still NOS Compliant, SQA are currently working with Historic Scotland to produce some additional assessment materials.

Q8. Do we need to fill out blank forms ie Discrepancy Sheets, Training Logs, Risk Assessments, Method Statements etc for each individual TAP.

A8. This is down to your own professional judgement, and the requirements of each Unit Specification, the evidence in the TAP's can be cross referenced.

Q9. How do we collect CREWS for this years second year, when they have completed all college activities

A9. Answer to be provided.

Q10. Would Photographic evidence assist IV and EV on the Phase Tests.

A10. Yes as any other Unit.