

National Course modification summary: Engineering Science



National 4, National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher: session 2021–22

National 4

Modifications for session 2021–22 remain the same as session 2020–21.

There is no requirement to complete the added value unit assessment.

Added value unit

The requirement to complete the added value unit is removed for session 2021–22. To achieve the overall course award for National 4 this session, candidates must pass all other contributing units in the National 4 course. You must submit a 'pass' result for the added value unit to ensure your candidates are certificated for the course award.

You are not required to gather evidence for the added value unit this session; however, it is important you give candidates opportunities to develop and demonstrate the skills, knowledge and understanding outlined in the National 4 added value unit specification, where possible. This will support your candidates as they progress to further learning and assessment at SCQF level 5.

National 5

Modifications for session 2021–22 remain the same as session 2020–21.

Component	Marks	Duration
Question paper	110	1 hour and 50 minutes

Question paper

We will only use the question paper course assessment to determine grade boundaries.

Assignment

There is no requirement to complete the assignment course assessment. Removing this component for session 2021–22 allows you to focus on the question paper assessment. We expect practical skills still to be delivered and candidates can evidence their understanding of this through the question paper.

Higher

Modifications for session 2021–22 remain the same as session 2020–21.

Component	Marks	Duration
Question paper	110	2 hours and 30 minutes

Question paper

We will only use the question paper course assessment to determine grade boundaries.

Assignment

There is no requirement to complete the assignment course assessment. Removing this component for session 2021–22 allows you to focus on the question paper assessment. We expect practical skills still to be delivered and candidates can evidence their understanding of this through the question paper.

Advanced Higher

Modifications for session 2021–22 remain the same as session 2020–21.

Component	Marks	Duration
Question paper	75	2 hours and 30 minutes

Question paper

We will only use the question paper course assessment to determine grade boundaries.

Project

There is no requirement to complete the project course assessment. Removing this component for session 2021–22 allows you to focus on the question paper assessment. We expect practical skills and project skills still to be delivered and candidates can evidence their understanding of this through the question paper.

If you have any questions about these changes, please email qualification.development@sqa.org.uk.