

National Course modification summary: Practical Woodworking



National 4 and National 5: 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
Practical activity	70	Over a period of time

Practical activity

We will reissue the practical activity from session 2020–21 and publish it earlier in the session, allowing more flexibility in centres. You must use this practical activity (in its entirety and without alteration) as the instrument of course assessment.

We will only use the practical activity to determine grade boundaries.

Question paper

Removing this component for session 2021–22 allows you to focus on practical skills. We expect theory still to be delivered and candidates can evidence their understanding of this through the practical activity.

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