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To SQA Co-ordinator  
(further education colleges,  
secondary schools, special schools,  
independent special schools,  
directors of education  
SCIS, SFEU, LTS)

**For the attention of centre staff  
responsible for Access 1 and 2 provision**

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Dear colleague,

**National Qualifications update — Access 1 and 2**

This letter provides an update for those staff in centres who are involved in the delivery of qualifications at Access 1 and 2 levels.

**New Personal Development Units at Access 1 Independent Level**

The new Course in Personal Development (Access 2) has been available since August 2008. We have now completed the next stage of our review in this subject area by developing a new range of Access 1 Independent Level Units. The titles and codes for the ten new Units are as follows:

- ◆ F56C 07 Personal Development: Completing a Work Related Activity
- ◆ F56D 07 Personal Development: Developing Appropriate Behaviour
- ◆ F56E 07 Personal Development: Enterprise Activity
- ◆ F56F 07 Personal Development: Environmental Issues
- ◆ F56G 07 Personal Development: Going Shopping
- ◆ F56H 07 Personal Development: Healthy Eating
- ◆ F56J 07 Personal Development: Improving an Environmental Area
- ◆ F56K 07 Personal Development: Leisure Time Activities
- ◆ F56L 07 Personal Development: Making a Journey
- ◆ F56M 07 Personal Development: Personal Hygiene

These ten Units are all now available on the Access 1 & 2 section of SQA's website ([www.sqa.org.uk](http://www.sqa.org.uk)) alongside the other Access 1 Independent Level Units.

### **Personal and Social Development Access 1 Derived Units to be withdrawn**

The new suite of Access 1 Independent Level Units in Personal Development will replace the existing Access 1 Derived Units in Personal and Social Education (PSE). The Access 1 Derived Units in PSE will be withdrawn from our catalogue from August 2010. This means that SQA cannot accept results for these Units after 1 August 2010. However, centres should note that these Units will still remain open for entries and results until 31 July 2010, to allow candidates who may have already started them time to complete and gain certification.

A full list of the Derived PSE Units that will be withdrawn in August 2010 is given in the Appendix to this letter.

### **Access 2 Unit Support Packs for freestanding Personal Development Units**

Unit Support Packs (including NAB materials) for the three freestanding Units that sit within the Personal Development area are at the finalisation stage and should be published later this month. As soon as they are ready, we will post them on SQA's secure website alongside the packs for the Personal Development Course. The titles of the three freestanding Units are:

- ◆ F38N 08 Self Awareness: Positive Relationships
- ◆ F38M 08 Self Awareness: Personal Development Planning
- ◆ F38P 08 Self Awareness: Physical Health

### **Review of Access 2 Courses in Computing and in English and Communication**

The Design Teams responsible for the review of the Access 2 Courses in Computing and in English and Communication have been progressing well with their work over the last few months. We hope to be in a position to publish the revised Course Arrangements for both of these subjects before the summer.

As might be expected, given the age of the existing Course Arrangements for Computing at Access 2, the revisions that are being made to this Course will be quite substantial, while the revision work on the English and Communication Course at Access 2 is likely to be minor in comparison. For both Courses though, we plan to develop a new set of Unit Support Packs following the same approach as those produced recently for Personal Development (Access 2).

Centres who are delivering the current version of the Computing and English Courses at Access 2 level can be assured that plenty of time will be available for candidates to complete their Units and Courses. We will ensure there is a phase out period for the old Courses once the new ones are introduced and we will write to you again once the timescales for these changes have been agreed.

## **Access 1 and 2 website**

Can I remind centres again that the Access 1 and 2 section of SQA's website has been refreshed and updated and we would encourage you to use the website as the first point of reference for information concerning Access 1 and 2. The Access 1 and 2 section can be found by:

- ♦ going onto SQA's website at **[www.sqa.org.uk](http://www.sqa.org.uk)**, clicking on the A-Z index on the homepage and on the index (A-F) for the link for 'Access 1 and 2', or
- ♦ you can simply go directly to: **[www.access1and2.org.uk](http://www.access1and2.org.uk)**

Yours sincerely,



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## **Access 1 Derived Units in PSE – to be withdrawn in August 2010**

D3KH 07	Making Local Journeys – Travelling Routines
D3KJ 07	Making Local Journeys – Planning Local Journeys
D3KK 07	Making Local Journeys – Undertaking Local Journeys
D3KL 07	Making Local Journeys – Reviewing
D3KM 07	Personal Presentation for Everyday Living – Planning Requirements
D3KN 07	Personal Presentation for Everyday Living – Planning Requirements
D3KP 07	Personal Presentation for Everyday Living – Implementing Presentation
D3KR 07	Personal Presentation for Everyday Living – Reviewing
D2SV 07	Personal Profiling for Independent Living – Target Setting
D2SW 07	Personal Profiling for Independent Living – Planning Tasks
D2SX 07	Personal Profiling for Independent Living – Carrying out tasks
D2SY 07	Personal Profiling for Independent Living – Reviewing
D2TA 07	Participating in a Community Activity – Target Setting
D2T8 07	Participating in a Community Activity – Planning a Contribution
D2T9 07	Participating in a Community Activity – Working with Others
D2TB 07	Participating in a Community Activity – Reviewing
D2T0 07	Participating in Leisure Time Activities – Identifying Activities
D2T1 07	Participating in Leisure Time Activities – Undertaking a Familiar Activity
D2T2 07	Participating in Leisure Time Activities – Undertaking a new Activity
D2T3 07	Participating in Leisure Time Activities – Reviewing
D2T4 07	Using Support Services in the Local Community – Identifying Services
D2T5 07	Using Support Services in the Local Community – Accessing Services
D2T6 07	Using Support Services in the Local Community – Seeking Help
D2T7 07	Using Support Services in the Local Community – Reviewing
D3KS 07	Contributing to an Enterprise Activity – Identifying Personal Contribution
D3KT 07	Contributing to an Enterprise Activity – Planning
D3KV 07	Contributing to an Enterprise Activity – Working with Others
D3KW 07	Contributing to an Enterprise Activity – Reviewing Contribution