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& CERTIFICATION

Student Exam Guide

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Your 2026 exams & assessments

Level 3 and Level 4 courses have both *internal* (school-coordinated) and *external* (TASC-coordinated) assessment. External assessment may include written and oral exams, performances, displays and folios.

Updated external assessment rules

The rules have been reorganised to make them easier to find and understand. Rules that apply to all external assessments are now grouped together, followed by rules for each assessment type.

Before your assessment, carefully read:

- *Preparing for your exam* and *Exam conduct* (pages 3–4) for information about what to expect and how to behave.
- *External assessment rules* (pages 5–8) for the updated rules you must follow.
- *External assessment timetables* (pages 13–15) to confirm the date and time of your assessments. Remember to arrive at least 15 minutes early, so you can receive instructions and start on time.

NEW/REVISED RULES (INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO):

- **Use of AI and technology** (rule 1.1.2): You must not: ... use any materials, technology or information in a dishonest or unauthorised way, including use of artificial intelligence (AI), automated tools or other technology in a way that is not permitted for the external assessment.
- **Assisting investigations** (rule 1.2.7): You must provide reasonable assistance to TASC in the investigation of any alleged breach of these Rules.
- **Head coverings** (rules 2.2.5 – 2.2.7): These rules clarify expectations about students wearing hats, caps, beanies or other head coverings (excluding items worn for religious or cultural reasons).
- **Authorised breaks and supervised absences** (rule 1.4.9): You must not access notes, unauthorised materials or electronic devices, or communicate with others, during authorised breaks or supervised absences from the assessment venue.

External assessment – did you know?

- Your classroom teacher assesses your work throughout the year and determines your *internal* assessment ratings. Your teacher must provide you with your final internal ratings before submitting them to TASC.
- Internal assessment contributes the largest proportion of your overall course award.
- Your *external* assessment only assesses some course criteria, not everything you learned during the year.
- Course documents show how you are assessed for each course: tasc.tas.gov.au/students/courses.

Setting yourself up for success

Talk with your teachers about preparing for your external assessments, and your strengths and areas to improve. Your teachers help students get ready for their exams every year and can provide expert advice.

The TASC website also provides lots of information about preparing for exams, see tasc.tas.gov.au/students/years-11-and-12/preparing-for-exams. Key resources include:

- [How to answer written exam questions and understand exam marking](#), including if you think there is an error in the exam material
- [Tips for staying calm during exams](#)
- [Sample exam room instructions](#)
- [Study tips for exams](#)
- [Previous exam papers](#) for revision
- the [Course document](#), including the External Assessment Specifications and Assessment Reports.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU CAN'T ATTEND AN EXAM DUE TO ILLNESS OR EMERGENCY (PAGES 9–11).

Pages 9–10 explain the two-step derived exam ratings application process and timeframes you'll need to follow if illness or an emergency prevents you attending an exam. Find the 2026 *TASC Medical Certificate* on **page 11**.

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Preparing for your exam

How do I know where to go for my exams?

NOTICE OF EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT:

You will receive a *Notice of External Assessment* (NoE), sometimes called a 'pink slip' (printed on pink paper), from your school in mid-October.

The NoE contains important information about the location, date and time of the external assessments you need to attend in-person (not folio or display external assessments or courses with no external assessment). Usually, you will sit exams at your school or another Exam Centre nearby.

Your NoE also shows if you have reasonable adjustments for exams and if your reasonable adjustments mean your exam time may be different to the timetable.

You must bring your NoE to every exam. If you lose or misplace your NoE, contact your school immediately so they can print you a replacement.

TASC ID:

Your TASC ID is on your NoE and will have two numbers, one letter, followed by five numbers. For example, 16K18367.

Your candidate labels with your TASC ID and exam papers will be on your allocated desk for each written exam.

Your TASC ID is the only identification allowed on your external assessment material. Do not write your name or school name on any exam paper, folio, display or other work you submit for external assessment.

What should I take into my exam?

- ✔ **Your NoE:** You must take your NoE with you to all your exams. This notice shows the exams you are registered to complete and your TASC ID.
- ✔ **Writing equipment in a clear, sealable plastic bag or clear pencil case:** You must bring your own writing tools such as black or blue pens (erasable pens are not advised), 2B pencils, sharpener and eraser, highlighters and a clear plastic ruler.
- ✔ **Water:** You may bring plain water only in a clear plastic bottle (no label) with a 1500 mL maximum capacity. You cannot refill your water bottle during the exam or have any other type of drink.
- ✔ **Calculators:** You may bring TASC-approved calculators into some exams – check which exams and the types of calculators allowed in the *Calculator Use in External Exams – Rules and Requirements* on the TASC website.

- ✔ **Dictionaries:** Dictionaries cannot be annotated or highlighted, including using stickers to mark a place. You may bring any/all of the following printed dictionaries into your exam:

- a standard English dictionary/thesaurus
- an English to other language dictionary/thesaurus
- an other language to English dictionary/thesaurus where permitted for the assessment.

- ✔ **Watch:** You may bring a basic analogue watch (not a 'smart', programmable or computerised watch) into your exam. You must remove the watch and place it where it can be clearly seen by the Exam Supervisor.
- ✔ **Medication:** You may bring approved medication such as asthma inhalers.

What can't I take into my exam?

Penalties apply if you don't follow the External Assessment Rules (**pages 5–8**). Note: *A student may be permitted access to some of the item/s below if approved by TASC as part of a reasonable adjustment.*

- ✗ Electronic devices such as wireless earbuds/headphones, smart watches or any other similar devices.
- ✗ Hats, caps, beanies or other head coverings unless they are worn for religious or cultural reasons.
- ✗ Any food or drinks (other than water).
- ✗ Notes and materials such as Formula Sheets, course Information Sheets, papers, books, reference materials or notebooks unless their use during the exam has been permitted.
- ✗ Pencil cases or pencil bags that are not transparent – pens and pencils must be in a clear, sealable plastic bag or clear pencil case.
- ✗ Correction pens, correction tape and correction fluid (such as Whiteout or Liquid Paper).
- ✗ Any other item that is not approved for that external assessment.

You must turn off and leave items you are not allowed to have during your exam in the area provided.

Exam Supervisors have the right to check any material brought into the exam room and remove any unauthorised material.

Exam conduct

How do I behave in my exam?

- Respect your fellow students.
- Listen to and follow the instructions of the Exam Supervisor.
- Sit at the desk allocated to you. You cannot leave the exam room during the first hour or last half hour of the scheduled writing time in a written exam.
- Do not communicate with any other candidate once you have entered the room and taken your seat.
- Use the extra 15 minutes allocated as preparation time to read the exam paper, highlight key information and make notes – do not start writing answers until the supervisor tells you that the working time has started.
- Start and stop writing when you are told to. Only write information you want to be assessed on using the space provided for your answers.
- If you have a question or need anything, raise your hand and wait for help.
- Leave all exam materials behind at the end of the exam. All exam material is retained for exam integrity or other accountability purposes.

How do I show academic integrity?

Academic integrity applies to all your external assessments, including folios, written exams, practicals, orals and displays.

All senior secondary students are expected to undertake their studies in a way that is honest and fair.

This means that:

- all work you submit for marking must be your own work
- you must acknowledge where you have borrowed or used someone else's work
- you must not help other people to be dishonest, for example, by giving them your answers or your essay for them to copy.

You must maintain and participate in behaviours that support academic integrity, including following the External Assessment Rules (on **pages 5–8**).

The *Academic Integrity Guide for Students* (on the TASC website) provides information about the different forms of academic dishonesty and answers to frequently asked questions. *Types of Academic Dishonesty: A (Cartoon) Guide for Students* illustrates how to avoid academic dishonesty with various scenarios.

What happens if I breach the exam rules?

Any suspected breach of the External Assessment Rules is investigated by TASC. If you are suspected of a breach, TASC will contact you to explain the next steps and provide you with an opportunity to respond. Your school will also be notified so they can support you throughout the process.

Potential penalties that may be applied will be considered by TASC's Conduct Review Committee. Specific consequences can apply for each assessment type, including written, folio, practical and oral assessments. A full list of consequences is available in the online version of the [External Assessment Rules](#).

Consequences may include:

- a formal warning
- no admittance into the exam room
- removal from the exam room with no further completion time
- confiscation of unauthorised items pending investigation
- cancellation of written assessment results
- cancellation of course results
- cancellation of all TASC results for the year
- TASC may refer suspected unlawful conduct to Tasmanian Police or another appropriate authority.

External assessment rules

These Rules ensure external assessments are fair for all students and that everyone can demonstrate what they know and can do under consistent assessment conditions. All students undertaking TASC external assessments must follow these Rules. Failure to comply with the Rules may result in action being taken by TASC. See the consequences for breaches in the Rules on TASC's [External Assessment Rules](#) web page.

1. RULES FOR ALL EXTERNAL ASSESSMENTS

1.1 Academic Integrity

1.1.1 You must not compromise the academic integrity of any type of TASC-coordinated external assessment, including cheating or assisting another student to cheat or taking any action that gives or attempts to give you or another student an unfair advantage.

1.1.2 You must not:

- communicate with, collude with, obtain assistance from, or provide assistance to another student
- through lack of care, allow another student to copy or otherwise use your work or materials
- obtain unauthorised assistance from another person
- use any materials, technology or information in a dishonest or unauthorised way, including use of artificial intelligence (AI), automated tools or other technology in a way that is not permitted for the external assessment
- submit work that is not your own
- act dishonestly or conspire to do so.

1.2 Behaviour and Conduct

1.2.1 You must behave appropriately at all times and treat Exam Supervisors, Markers, fellow students and school staff with the same courtesy and respect as expected in school activities.

1.2.2 You must not cause any interference or damage to any school, student or personal property, assessment materials or equipment.

1.2.3 You must follow all instructions or directions given by an Exam Supervisor, Marker or authorised TASC staff member.

1.2.4 You must not communicate with an Exam Supervisor or Marker about the conduct or result of an external assessment before or after the assessment, unless the communication is necessary for the conduct of the assessment. Any concerns regarding the conduct or outcome of an external assessment must be directed to the Deputy Director, TASC.

1.2.5 You must not write, draw or present any objectionable, offensive or distasteful material in any external assessment response or material, nor write letters or notes to Exam Supervisors or Markers.

1.2.6 You must not present for a TASC external assessment under the influence of intoxicating substances.

1.2.7 You must provide reasonable assistance to TASC in the investigation of any alleged breach of these Rules.

1.3 Identity and Attendance

1.3.1 You must present valid identification or documentation as required by TASC to attend an external assessment.

1.3.2 Attending scheduled external assessments at the correct date, time and location is your responsibility. TASC will not make allowances for attendance issues caused by misreading timetables or assessment schedules.

1.3.3 You must not allow another person to undertake an external assessment in your place, nor undertake an external assessment in another student's place.

1.4 External Assessment Venue Requirements

1.4.1 You must only bring materials, equipment, clothing and other items that are approved or required for the external assessment.

1.4.2 You must not bring or use any unauthorised material, equipment or other item during an external assessment.

1.4.3 Exam Supervisors, Markers or authorised TASC staff may inspect any material, equipment or other item brought into an external assessment venue where reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with these Rules.

Students must comply with any reasonable request to present items for inspection.

1.4.4 Possession of an unauthorised item may constitute a breach of these Rules regardless of whether the item was used.

1.4.5 You must not share materials or equipment during an external assessment unless expressly authorised.

1.4.6 If clothing provides the potential for concealment, Exam Supervisors or Markers may require students to:

- wear hoods down so they do not cover the head
- remove bulky outer clothing, such as jackets or jumpers
- empty pockets
- display or allow inspection of any items brought into the assessment venue where reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with these Rules. Any inspection will be conducted respectfully and with regard to privacy.

1.4.7 Jackets, jumpers, bags and personal belongings must be placed in the location directed by the Exam Supervisor or Marker. These items must not remain on chairs, desks or on a student's person unless approved as part of a reasonable adjustment.

1.4.8 Exam Supervisors or Markers may inspect any material brought into an external assessment venue and will instruct students where to place unauthorised items. They are not responsible for these items. Students must comply with any reasonable request to present items for inspection.

1.4.9 You must not access notes, unauthorised materials or electronic devices, or communicate with others, during authorised breaks or supervised absences from the assessment venue.

2. WRITTEN ASSESSMENT RULES

2.1 Admission to the Exam Room

2.1.1 You must show a valid Notice of External Assessment to the Exam Supervisor to be admitted to the exam room.

2.1.2 If you attend without a valid Notice of External Assessment, you will only be admitted after the TASC Liaison Officer or Principal of your school has confirmed your identity to the Exam Supervisor.

2.2 Exam Room Conduct

2.2.1 You must follow all instructions or directions given by an Exam Supervisor.

Instructions and directions may include, but are not limited to:

- allocated seating
- commencement of writing, marking or using approved equipment (including calculators)
- conclusion of writing or marking on response material in any way
- immediately stopping writing or marking when instructed
- use of a calculator
- placement of bags, clothing or materials within the exam room
- stopping any behaviour which may cause nuisance, annoyance or interference to another student.

2.2.2 You must raise your hand if you wish to communicate with an Exam Supervisor in the exam room.

2.2.3 At the conclusion of the assessment, you must remain silent and remain seated until instructed otherwise by an Exam Supervisor.

2.2.4 You must only bring or use materials and equipment permitted under Schedule 1 – Permitted Materials for Written Assessments or otherwise approved by TASC.

2.2.5 Hats, caps, beanies or other head coverings are not permitted unless:

- approved by TASC as part of a reasonable adjustment (including medical reasons); or
- worn for religious or cultural reasons.

2.2.6 If clothing provides the potential to conceal unauthorised materials or devices, an Exam Supervisor may require you to:

- wear hoods down so they do not cover your head
- remove bulky outer clothing, such as jackets or jumpers
- empty your pockets
- display or allow inspection of items brought into the exam room where reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with these Rules.

Any inspection will be conducted respectfully and with regard to your privacy.

2.2.7 Jackets, jumpers, bags and personal belongings must be placed in the location directed by the Exam Supervisor. These items must not remain on chairs, desks or on your person unless approved as part of a reasonable adjustment.

2.2.8 Exam Supervisors may inspect any material or equipment brought into the exam room and will instruct you where to place unauthorised items. They are not responsible for these items. You must comply with any reasonable request to present items for inspection.

2.2.9 You must not access notes, unauthorised materials or electronic devices, or communicate with others, during authorised breaks or supervised absences from the exam room.

2.3 Leaving the Exam Room

2.3.1 You are not to leave the exam room before the end of the first hour of the scheduled writing time unless authorised and supervised by an Exam Supervisor for approved purposes.

2.3.2 You are not to leave the exam room in the last half hour of the scheduled writing time.

2.3.3 You must not remove any exam paper or response material, used or unused, from the exam room.

2.4 Access to the Exam Room

2.4.1 During the scheduled time of an exam, no person unauthorised by TASC (including a teacher or parent) may:

- enter an exam room
- communicate with a student
- look at or remove any exam paper or response material.

2.5 Late Attendance

2.5.1 If you arrive within one hour of the commencement of scheduled writing time, you will be admitted to the exam room. No additional writing time will be permitted.

2.5.2 If you arrive more than one hour after the commencement of scheduled writing time, you will only be admitted under the following circumstances:

- the TASC Liaison Officer or Principal of your school recommends your admission
- you acknowledge that your response materials may not be accepted by TASC and agree to complete the supplied statutory declaration
- appropriate arrangements can be made to allow entry without disruption to other students
- you complete the required Late Attendance Statutory Declaration Form following the assessment.

The declaration must confirm:

- the reason for being late
- the time of admittance
- that you had not seen or read the assessment materials before admittance
- that you had not received information about the assessment before admittance
- that you understand your response materials may not be accepted by TASC.

2.6 Illness or Emergencies

2.6.1 If you cannot attend a written assessment or must leave early due to illness, emergency or other personal circumstances, refer to the information regarding Derived Exam Ratings on the TASC website.

3. FOLIO ASSESSMENT RULES

3.1 All externally assessed folio assessments and other project work will be assessed in accordance with the subject specific guidelines published by TASC.

3.2 Authenticity of Work

3.2.1 Any materials submitted for external assessment must, except where the source of information, images, ideas or words is explicitly acknowledged, be the student's own work.

3.2.2 Where AI or other automated tools are used in the development of a folio or project, their use must comply with the requirements of the course and be appropriately acknowledged where required.

3.3 Submission Requirements

3.3.1 A folio assessment will only be accepted if:

- the class teacher verifies the authenticity of the student's work
- the Folio Declaration Form is completed by both the student and the class teacher acting on behalf of the course provider
- the Folio Declaration Form is retained by the school
- the class teacher confirms that the folio was received at the designated collection centre on or before the published submission date (no later than 5:00pm), unless TASC has approved an extension.

3.3.2 For externally assessed folios, schools must ensure student folios are submitted to TASC by the published TASC submission date.

4. PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT RULES

4.1 You must comply with all instructions provided by Exam Supervisors, Markers or authorised TASC staff during practical assessments.

4.1.1 You must not engage in conduct that disrupts or interferes with the practical assessment of another student.

4.1.2 You must only use materials, equipment, clothing, costumes, props and other items that are approved or required for the practical assessment.

4.1.3 You must comply with any inspection of materials, equipment, clothing, costumes, props and other items reasonably required by an Exam Supervisor, Marker or authorised TASC staff member to ensure compliance with these Rules.

4.1.4 You must not communicate with other students in a way that may provide an unfair advantage during a practical assessment.

4.1.5 You must not make unauthorised recordings, photographs or transmissions during a practical assessment.

4.1.6 You must comply with any safety requirements or directions relevant to the practical assessment.

5. ORAL ASSESSMENT RULES

5.1 You must comply with all instructions provided by Exam Supervisors, Markers or authorised TASC staff during oral assessments.

5.1.1 You must not engage in conduct that disrupts or interferes with the oral assessment of another student.

5.1.2 You must only use materials, equipment, notes, presentation aids or other items that are approved or required for the oral assessment.

5.1.3 You must comply with any inspection of materials, equipment, notes, presentation aids or other items reasonably required by an Exam Supervisor, Marker or authorised TASC staff member to ensure compliance with these Rules.

5.1.4 You must not communicate with other students in a way that may provide an unfair advantage during an oral assessment.

5.1.5 You must not make unauthorised recordings, photographs or transmissions during an oral assessment.

5.1.6 You must comply with any direction relating to the conduct and timing of the oral assessment.

SCHEDULE 1 – Permitted materials for written assessments

Students may only bring or use materials and equipment listed in this Schedule or otherwise approved by TASC for the assessment. Any other materials or equipment are prohibited.

1.1 EQUIPMENT

Writing Equipment

Writing equipment must be carried in a clear sealable plastic bag or clear pencil case:

- black or blue pens (erasable pens are not recommended)
- 2B pencils
- sharpener
- eraser
- highlighters
- clear plastic ruler
- correction pens, correction tape and correction fluid are **not permitted**.

Watches

- basic analogue watches only
- watches must not be smart, programmable or computerised
- watches must be placed where clearly visible to an Exam Supervisor.

Dictionaries

- standard English dictionary/thesaurus
- English to other language dictionary/thesaurus
- other language to English dictionary/thesaurus where permitted for the assessment.

Medication

- approved medication such as asthma inhalers.

Water

- clear plastic water bottle only
- maximum capacity of 1500 mL
- bottles must not be refilled during an assessment.

Food

- food is **not permitted** unless approved by TASC as part of a reasonable adjustment.

1.2 CALCULATORS

TASC-approved calculators may only be used where permitted for the assessment.

General conditions for calculator use:

- calculators must be handled and operate silently
- calculators must use a self-contained power source
- all wireless and Bluetooth functionality must be disabled
- calculators must not contain stored documents or solutions that allow entering a question and receiving a complete worked answer
- calculators must not be borrowed or shared
- removable covers and instruction booklets/manuals are not permitted
- students are responsible for ensuring calculators are in working order before the assessment.

Illness & emergency during exams

Being able to apply for derived exam ratings safeguards an equitable results outcome for students affected by significant illness or other exceptional circumstances.

Students are encouraged to attend their exam where they are able to do so safely. Minor non-infectious illnesses, routine ailments, exam stress or concerns about performance are not normally grounds to receive a derived exam rating. Students who complete an exam are generally expected to accept the result of that exam.

See below for what to do if you have a significant illness or an emergency.

If you are having difficulties applying for derived exam ratings, please [contact TASC](#) so we are aware of your situation and can help advise you.

Time limits for applications

Applications for a derived exam rating are accepted only during the specified application period.

For significant illness, the application period:

- Opens seven (7) days before the written exam, practical/performance or presentation
- Closes two (2) business days after.

Both of the following must occur within the application period:

- Your medical appointment with a registered GP, paediatrician or a hospital doctor
- Your submission of the online [Derived Exam Rating Application and Consent form](#).

Your medical practitioner is to submit the form directly to TASC within three (3) days of your appointment.

For written exams, applications can be submitted no earlier than 2 November and no later than 24 November, depending on the date of the relevant exam.

How to apply for derived exam ratings for significant illness

Complete BOTH steps:

1. Complete the online [Derived Exam Rating Application and Consent form](#) (for students).



2. Attend an appointment with a medical practitioner (in-person or telehealth) and have a [TASC Medical Certificate](#) completed. The certificate can only be completed by a registered GP, paediatrician or a hospital doctor.



Your medical practitioner can complete one of the following:

- The printed form in the *Student Exam Guide* (page 11)
- The fillable PDF form at [TASC Medical Certificate](#)
- A medical certificate that includes all the required information on the form and supporting documentation (general 'unfit for duties' certificates will not be accepted as they do not include the required information).

Your medical practitioner must submit the form directly to TASC within three (3) days of the appointment.

To be eligible for a derived exam rating, the dates of illness or incapacity recorded on the medical certificate form must match the exam dates you list in your [Derived Exam Rating Application and Consent form](#).

TASC will email you to confirm we have received a TASC Medical Certificate. If you don't receive an email within one week of your medical appointment, contact the medical practitioner or TASC to confirm the form was submitted/received.

What to do: You have a significant illness before an exam:

1. Tell your school as soon as possible.
2. Attend a medical appointment, preferably on the day of the exam.
3. Complete the online [Derived Exam Rating Application and Consent form](#).
4. Have the registered GP, paediatrician or hospital doctor complete the [TASC Medical Certificate](#).
5. Ensure the medical practitioner submits the certificate directly to TASC within three (3) days of the appointment.

TASC will assess the application and advise you of the outcome by email.

What to do: You become unwell during an exam:

1. Immediately notify the Exam Supervisor.
2. The Exam Supervisor must record your name, the time and circumstances on the Supervision Report.
3. If necessary, leave the exam and arrange a medical appointment as soon as possible, preferably on the day of the exam.
4. Tell your school as soon as possible.
5. Complete the online [Derived Exam Rating Application and Consent form](#).
6. Have the registered GP, paediatrician or hospital doctor complete the [TASC Medical Certificate](#).
7. Ensure the medical practitioner submits the certificate directly to TASC within three (3) days of the appointment.

If you completed the exam, a derived exam rating will only be considered where there is evidence that a significant illness or medical incident materially affected your performance during the exam.

You must have notified the Exam Supervisor of your illness before leaving the exam. If you do not notify the Exam Supervisor at the time you become unwell, TASC may be unable to verify the circumstances and may refuse the application. TASC will assess the application and advise you of the outcome by email.

What to do: You can't attend an exam for another reason (including if you experience an emergency):

1. Tell your school the reason you can't attend the exam as soon as possible.
2. Write to the Deputy Director, TASC at deputydirector@tasc.tas.gov.au on the same day as your exam (or no more than two business days after the exam) to apply for an emergency special

arrangement. You must detail the reasons for your absence, and provide supporting evidence as outlined in the *Emergency special arrangement application checklist* on TASC's [Illness and emergency during exams](#) webpage.

TASC will assess the application and advise you of the outcome by email.

When are derived exam ratings accepted?

Derived exam ratings will be applied to determine the results of your written exam, practical/performance or presentation if your application is approved.

To be eligible, you must:

- meet all application requirements
- provide the required supporting evidence
- submit your application within the specified timeframes.

Derived exam ratings are available only where unfortunate and unplanned circumstances, such as significant illness, an emergency or other exceptional unexpected circumstances, affects your ability to attend or complete an external assessment.

Minor non-infectious illnesses, routine ailments, exam stress or concerns about performance are not normally grounds to receive a derived exam rating. Students who complete an exam are generally expected to accept the result of that exam.

Derived exam ratings are NOT:

- Available for a family holiday or travel
- An alternative method of obtaining an external assessment result
- A backup option if you are concerned about your performance
- A way to improve a result after completing an exam.

The derived exam rating process is a safeguard designed to ensure an equitable results outcome for students affected by significant illness or other exceptional circumstances.

The derived exam rating is based on your internal assessments during the year and then determined by the exam performance of other students in your course who have performed at a similar level in their internal assessments. For more information, see [Derived Exam Ratings](#).

TASC MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

SENIOR SECONDARY EXTERNAL ASSESSMENT

A Medical Practitioner is to complete and submit this form providing evidence of a senior secondary student's illness or incapacity that makes them unfit to complete end-of-year exam/s.

Completing this TASC Medical Certificate form is preferred. If this form is not used, all information required in this form must be included within the medical certificate or supporting documentation.

Note the candidate has provided their consent for this medical information to be shared with TASC:

Name of GP / Hospital Doctor:	Address (hospital/clinic/surgery):
Phone number:	Suburb:
Registration number:	Postcode:
<i>Please fill details above or use official stamp.</i>	

I examined: Candidate Name _____ **Date of Birth** ____/____/____
at a medical consultation on Date ____/____/____ **TASC ID (if known)** _____

*This **must** be the day of the candidate's exam(s), OR **no more than** seven (7) days before or two (2) business days after.*

The candidate's condition is/was severe enough to prevent exam attendance, or substantially impair exam performance: ☐ Yes OR ☐ No

Dates of their illness or incapacity – from ____/____/____ to ____/____/____

What is the medical diagnosis?

*Provide all relevant information. The information you provide will be treated in the strictest confidence.
TASC may contact you for further information if the specific diagnosis isn't clear.*

- ☐ Physical/medical impairment
- ☐ Psychological impairment (i.e. anxiety/depression) beyond normal concern about exams
- ☐ Other: _____

The condition is:

- ☐ Ongoing (deterioration of long-term condition) OR ☐ Newly diagnosed or temporary

Specify the details of the above medical diagnosis and how it impairs the candidate's ability to complete the exam(s):

Additional medical evidence may be attached.

Signature of Medical Practitioner: _____ Date: ____/____/____

The medical practitioner **must** submit this form **directly** to TASC within three (3) days of the consultation.

Send to: results@tasc.tas.gov.au [email **must** include the student's full name and DOB, and TASC ID (if known)]
OR
TASC Results (Medical Certificate), GPO Box 333, Hobart TAS 7000

Your results

When will I get my results?

Your results will be emailed on **16 December 2026** if you have provided an email address to TASC. Ensure you have completed this step by completing the '[Update your email address](#)' online form on the TASC website. Using a personal email address is strongly recommended so you can maintain access to your results after leaving school.

Results are also mailed to all students.

WHAT RESULTS WILL I RECEIVE?

The results you receive will depend on which year of study you have completed.

YEAR 10 STUDENTS (studying TASC accredited courses)	STATEMENT OF RESULTS: All students (Shows the results of all courses for the year and information about your progress towards attaining the TCE)
YEAR 11 STUDENTS	STATEMENT OF RESULTS: All students
YEAR 12 AND YEAR 13 STUDENTS	STATEMENT OF RESULTS: All students QUALIFICATIONS CERTIFICATE: (All students who successfully completed TASC accredited courses, VET and other learning formally recognised by TASC) TASMANIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION: (Only students who achieved the TCE Standards) TASMANIAN CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT: (Only eligible students) TERTIARY ENTRANCE SCORE AND AUSTRALIAN TERTIARY ADMISSION RANK (ATAR): (Only students who attained the TCE and are eligible to receive an ATAR)

WHAT IF I HAVE A QUERY ABOUT MY RESULTS?

Read the information about results queries on the TASC website. If you still have a query, register it via the online form at www.tasc.tas.gov.au as soon as possible.

CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT MY EXAM RESULTS?

Yes. You can:

1. Inspect your written exam material. Apply by **31 December 2026** for first round and **3 February 2027** for second round inspections. Speak with your teacher and school about your eligibility to apply to inspect your written exam material.
2. Request a copy of your written exam to be returned to you. Copies are provided in the first week of July and you must apply before the end of April in the year following your exam. You must register online by **23 April 2027** to receive this information.

As all exam material is destroyed at the end of June the following year after your exams, TASC is unable to facilitate late requests for copies.

HOW IS AN AUSTRALIAN TERTIARY ADMISSION RANK (ATAR) USED?

An ATAR is one of many ways to enter university, with entry requirements varying by course and by university.

In Tasmania, the Tertiary Admissions Centre (TAC) is the University of Tasmania. The TAC sets the requirements to achieve an ATAR. Not all Year 12/13 school leavers will receive an ATAR.

To be eligible for an ATAR in Tasmania, you must complete two years of post-Year 10 study:

- achieving the TCE, and
- an overall award of Satisfactory Achievement (or higher) in at least four TASC Level 3 or 4 courses (or equivalent, including [HAP](#) and/or [UCP](#) units).

If you are eligible for an ATAR, you will receive your Tertiary Entrance Score and ATAR on the same day as your other results.

See the [Understanding the ATAR: Student Factsheet](#) on the TASC website for more information about ATAR eligibility. Information about university entrance is available on the University of Tasmania's website at www.utas.edu.au.

External assessment timetables

2026 Folios and other project work

Your school will set an internal due date for you to submit your folio to your teacher.

The dates below are the deadlines for course teachers to upload folios for marking.

DUE TO TASC BY 5:00 PM	COURSE NAME AND CODE
Friday 18 September	<i>Dance: Analytical Essay</i> (DNC315124) <i>English Literature</i> (ENL315114) <i>Psychology</i> (BHP315116)
Friday 25 September	<i>Housing and Design</i> (HDS315118)
Wednesday 21 October	<i>Contemporary Art Practice</i> (CAP315124) <i>Sociology</i> (BHS315116) <i>Student Directed Inquiry</i> (SDI315117)
Friday 23 October	<i>Computer Graphics and Design</i> (CGD315118) <i>English Inquiry</i> (ENT315124) <i>Media Production</i> (MED315117) <i>Music: Composition/Improvisation</i> (MSM315120)
Friday 30 October	<i>Agricultural Systems</i> (AGR315117) <i>Data Science and Digital Solutions</i> (DSD315124) <i>Engineering Design</i> (EDN315123) <i>English Studio</i> (ENS315124) <i>First Nations Studies</i> (TAS315126)

ARRIVE EARLY:

Arrive at your exam centre at least 15 minutes before the scheduled start time of your assessment. This allows time to receive instructions from Exam Supervisors and to be ready for the start of the assessment.

2026 Practical, presentation, oral and display

Individual student performance/presentation times are advised in Term 4.

DATE	COURSE NAME AND CODE
PRACTICAL:	
South: 21–28 October North: 21–29 October North West: 23–28 October	Drama (SDD315120) Theatre Performance (SDP315120): Your teacher will upload the Independent Reflective Study (IRS) by Tuesday 20 October.
26 October – 3 November	Dance (DNC315124)
26 October – 3 November	Music (MSM315120)
FOLIO PRESENTATIONS:	
26–29 October	Student Directed Inquiry (SDI315117)
ORAL: LANGUAGES AND EAL/D	
2–5 November	Chinese (CHN315114) English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL315120) French (FRN315114) German (GRM315114) Italian (ITN315114) Japanese (JPN315114)
DISPLAY/EXHIBITION:	
9–20 November	Art Studio Practice (ART315214) Visual Art (ART315123)

2026 NIAL exams

Nationally or interstate assessed language (NIAL) courses are sourced from and run by other Australian assessment agencies. Students sitting NIAL exams (and their schools) are notified of their individual exam timeslot.

2026 Written exams

WEEK 1	DATE	MORNING EXAMS (Commence 9:00 am)	AFTERNOON EXAMS (Commence 1:30 pm)
	Monday 9 November	Electronics and Advanced Technologies (EAT315124) – 3hrs General Mathematics (MTG315123) – 3hrs	Mathematics Specialised (MTS415118) – 3hrs Sociology (BHS315116) – 2hrs
	Tuesday 10 November	Computer Graphics and Design (CGD315118) – 2hrs Philosophy (PHL315118) – 3hrs Sport Science (SPT315126) – 2.5hrs	Chinese (CHN315114) – 3hrs Health Studies (HLT315118) – 3hrs Japanese (JPN315114) – 3hrs
	Wednesday 11 November	English (ENG315117) – 3hrs English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EAL315120) – 3hrs	English Literature (ENL315114) – 2hrs Environmental Science (ESS315118) – 3hrs
	Thursday 12 November	Australia in Asia and the Pacific (AAP315116) – 3hrs Italian (ITN315114) – 3hrs Mathematics Methods – Foundation (MTM315117) – 3hrs Media Production (MED315117) – 2hrs	Legal Studies (LST315117) – 3hrs
	Friday 13 November	Physical Sciences (PSC315118) – 3hrs Physics (PHY415115) – 3hrs	Economics (ECN315116) – 3hrs Music (MSM315120) – 2hrs Outdoor Leadership (OXP315118) – 3hrs
WEEK 2	DATE	MORNING EXAMS (Commence 9:00 am)	AFTERNOON EXAMS (Commence 1:30 pm)
	Monday 16 November	Biology (BIO315124) – 3hrs	Business Studies (BST315116) – 3hrs Drama (SDD315120) – 2hrs
	Tuesday 17 November	Geography (GGY315120) – 3hrs Mathematics Methods (MTM415117) – 3hrs	Food and Nutrition (FDN315118) – 3hrs French (FRN315114) – 3hrs
	Wednesday 18 November	Accounting (ACC315116) – 3hrs Ancient History (ANH315117) – 3hrs German (GRM315114) – 3hrs	Chemistry (CHM415115) – 3hrs Studies of Religion (REL315124) – 3hrs
	Thursday 19 November	Computer Science (ITC315118) – 3hrs Psychology (BHP315116) – 3hrs	Housing and Design (HDS315118) – 2hrs Modern History (HSM315117) – 3hrs

EXAM LENGTH: The number of hours listed in the table above is the working time to complete the exam paper. There is an additional 15 minutes of preparation time provided at the commencement of all exams.

Key dates

18 SEPT – 30 OCT 2026	21 OCT – 20 NOV 2026	9–19 NOV 2026
Submit externally assessed folios and other project work	Practical, presentation, oral and display period	Written exam period
15 DEC 2026	16 DEC 2026	LAST WEEKS OF 2026
Last day to update your email address to receive your results by email – online form at www.tasc.tas.gov.au	Results available – emailed to students and mailing of postal results starts	Enjoy a well-deserved holiday break!
31 DEC 2026	3 FEB 2027	23 APRIL 2027
Applications close for first round requests to inspect written exam material (<i>Years 12 and 13 students only</i>)	Applications close for second round requests to inspect written exam material (<i>all students who did not submit a first round request</i>)	Applications close to have written exam materials returned

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- Talk to your teachers or your school's TASC Liaison Officer (TLO)
- Visit www.tasc.tas.gov.au for information, including how your courses are assessed and past exam papers and exam assessment reports
- Email enquiries@tasc.tas.gov.au or use the 'Contact us' form on our website
- Ph: (03) 6165 6000