



**Access to
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Procedures**

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These procedures are reviewed and updated annually to ensure that The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College deals with candidates' requests for access to scripts, clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals to the awarding bodies in accordance with current requirements and regulations.

Reference in these procedures to GR and PRS refer to the JCQ documents **General Regulations for Approved Centres** and **Post-Results Services**.

Introduction

Following the issue of results, awarding bodies make post-results services available.

The JCQ post-results services currently available are detailed below.

Access to Scripts (ATS)

Centres may request copies of scripts to support:

- reviews of marking; and/or
- teaching and learning

Requests must be submitted online via the awarding bodies' extranet sites.

Information on deadlines for Access to Scripts is found on awarding bodies' websites.

Reviews of Results (RoRs)

- Service 1 (Clerical re-check): This is the only service that can be requested for multiple choice tests
- Service 2 (Review of marking): This service is available for externally assessed components of both unitised and linear GCE AS, A-level and GCSE specifications. It is also available for Level 1, 2 and 3 Vocational and Technical qualifications.
- Priority Service 2 (Review of marking): This service is available for externally assessed components of both unitised and linear GCE A-level specifications. It is also available for Level 3 Vocational and Technical qualifications. For NCFE this service only applies to T-levels.
- Service 3 (Review of moderation): A review of moderation cannot be undertaken upon the work of an individual candidate or the work of candidates not in the original sample

Requests must be submitted online via the awarding bodies' extranet sites.

Appeals:

- The appeals process is available after receiving the outcome of a review of results

Purpose of the procedures

The purpose of these procedures is to confirm how The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College deals with candidates' requests for access to scripts, clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals to the awarding bodies in compliance with JCQ regulations (GR 5.13).

Details of these procedures are made widely available and accessible to all candidates by:

Via pre exam parent correspondence and on the website.

The arrangements for post-results services

- Candidates must be made aware of the arrangements for post-results services prior to the issue of results (GR 5.13)
- A review of moderation cannot be undertaken upon the work of an individual candidate or the work of candidates not in the original sample (PRS 4.3)
- The appeals process is available after receiving the outcome of a review of results (PRS 5.1)

At The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College:

- Candidates are made aware of the arrangements for post-results services prior to the issue of results

- Candidates are also informed of the periods during which senior members of centre staff will be available immediately after the publication of results so that results may be discussed, and decisions made on the submission of reviews of marking (GR 5.13, PRS 4.1)

Candidates are made aware/informed by:

- pre exam parent correspondence

Full details of the post-results services, internal deadline(s) for requesting a service and the fees charged (where applicable) are provided by The Exams Officer.

online and via pre exam correspondence

Dealing with requests

- All post-results service requests from internal candidates must be made through the centre (GR 5.13)

At The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College the process to request a service is:

- by emailing exams@ridgewayschool.co.uk for the link to complete an online form. The form will confirm the details of the request and confirmation of acceptance of invoice for fees

During the summer holidays an out of office message will detail which days the exams office is open, and when requests will be dealt with.

Requests will be acknowledged within 2 school working days

Candidate consent

- Candidates must provide their **written consent** for clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, and any subsequent appeal, and access to scripts services offered by the awarding bodies **after** the publication of examination results (GR 5.13)

(As applicable, it will be ensured that any private candidates are made aware that all post-results service requests can be made directly through the relevant awarding body)

The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College will:

- Acquire written candidate consent (accepting informed consent via candidate email) in all cases before a request for a clerical re-check, a review of marking, and any subsequent appeal, or an access to scripts service request is submitted to the awarding body
- Acquire informed candidate consent to confirm the candidate understands that the final subject grade and/or mark awarded following a clerical re-check or a review of marking, and any subsequent appeal, may be lower than, higher than, or the same as the result which was originally awarded
- Only collect candidate consent **after** the publication of results
- Retain consent forms or e-mails from candidates for at least six months following the outcome of a clerical re-check or review of marking or any subsequent appeal (PRS 4.2)
- Retain consent/permission forms or e-mails from candidates to request and use their scripts for at least six months (PRS Appendix B)

Additional centre-specific actions:

not applicable

Submitting requests

The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College will:

- Submit requests electronically for clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and access to scripts by the published deadline(s) in accordance with the JCQ document **Post-results services** (GR 5.13)
- Submit requests for appeals in accordance with the JCQ document **A guide to the awarding bodies' appeals processes** (GR 5.13)
- Confirm the awarding body's acknowledgement of receipt of a review of results request prior to the deadline for submission of post-results services and regularly check the progress of the request online (PRS 4.5)

Additional centre-specific actions:

Dealing with outcomes

The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College will:

- Ensure outcomes of clerical re-checks, reviews of marking, reviews of moderation and appeals are made known to candidates as soon as possible (GR 5.13)

Candidates will be notified by:

- being emailed a copy of the outcome notification from the awarding body.

Additional centre-specific actions:

Managing disputes

At The Ridgeway School and Sixth Form College any dispute/disagreement will be managed

advising if we do not feel the remark or appeal will be successful, however will process if the candidate insists and it is prior to the centre deadline.

Additional centre-specific actions:

Changes 2025/2026

(Updated) Under heading **Introduction** wording updated in relation to the JCQ post-results services currently available.

(Reformatted) Under heading **The arrangements for post-results services** insert fields reformatted and require updating on reviewing and updating this procedure.

Centre-specific changes

clarification as to how candidates will be notified when the exams office is open