



## Functional Skills News Update

20 June 2019

This update includes information relating to:

- Withdrawal plan for the current Functional Skills English and Maths Levels 1 and 2 Qualifications (legacy qualifications)
- Reformed Functional Skills English and Mathematics Levels 1 and 2

This update explains the key dates that Skillsfirst and our customers will need to adhere to for the current Functional Skills qualifications and the reformed Functional Skills qualifications.

### [Withdrawal plan for the current Functional Skills English and Maths Levels 1 and 2 qualifications \(legacy qualifications\)](#)

Skillsfirst's final registration and final certification dates for each of the current Functional Skills English and Maths Levels 1 and 2 qualifications are as follows:

| Qualification title / level                 | Final registration date | Final certification date |
|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| FSE01 Functional Skills English Level 1     | 31 August 2019          | 31 August 2020           |
| FSE02 Functional Skills English Level 2     | 31 August 2019          | 31 August 2020           |
| FSM01 Functional Skills Mathematics Level 1 | 31 August 2019          | 31 August 2020           |
| FSM02 Functional Skills Mathematics Level 2 | 31 August 2019          | 31 August 2020           |

To ensure learners are registered with Skillsfirst successfully for the current Functional Skills English and Maths Levels 1 and 2 qualifications, please submit registrations to Skillsfirst by no later than end of business 26 August 2019. Learners who are not registered by this date must be registered on the Reformed Functional Skills qualifications.

The final exam dates for both paper-based exams, on-screen exams and re-sits are as follows:

| Qualification title / level                 | Paper based final assessment window (including re-sits) | On-screen final assessment window (including re-sits) |
|---|---|---|
| FSE01 Functional Skills English Level 1     | 30 June 2020  | 19 August 2020  |
| FSE02 Functional Skills English Level 2     | 30 June 2020  | 19 August 2020  |
| FSM01 Functional Skills Mathematics Level 1 | 29 June 2020  | 19 August 2020  |
| FSM02 Functional Skills Mathematics Level 2 | 29 June 2020  | 19 August 2020  |

Please ensure all Assessors, Tutors and Invigilators are aware of these final exam dates.

Learners who have not successfully achieved the current Functional Skills English and Maths Levels 1 and 2 qualifications by the certification end date, must be registered on the respective Reformed Functional Skills qualifications.

### Functional Skills English Levels 1 and 2; Speaking, Listening and Communication result claims

Please ensure all results claims for the current Functional Skills English Levels 1 and 2 Speaking, Listening and Communication component are submitted to Skillsfirst via REG by no later than end of business 21 August 2020.

### Functional Skills English Levels 1 and 2 partial achievement result claims

For those learners who have not successfully passed all 3 components of the current Functional Skills English Levels 1 and 2 qualifications, requests for a partial certificate (unit certification) must be submitted to Skillsfirst by no later than end of business 21 August 2020.

### Reformed Functional Skills English and Mathematics Levels 1 and 2

The Reformed Functional Skills qualifications in English and mathematics Levels 1 and 2 will be available for first teaching on 1 September 2019.

| Qualification title  | Skillsfirst qualification number | Regulator QAN   |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Skillsfirst Level 1 Functional Skills Qualification in English     | RFSE1                            | 603/4608/5      |
| Skillsfirst Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in English     | RFSE2                            | 603/4606/1      |
| Skillsfirst Level 1 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics | RFSM1                            | To be confirmed |
| Skillsfirst Level 2 Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics | RFSM2                            | To be confirmed |

### Sample assessment materials

To access Skillsfirst's sample assessment materials, qualification handbooks and other supporting documentation for the reformed Functional Skills English and Mathematics Levels 1 and 2 please follow the link [HERE](#).

### Workshops

To support the delivery of the Reformed Functional Skills qualifications in English and Mathematics at Levels 1 and 2, we are hosting a series of workshops to be held at the Skillsfirst office in Birmingham. Please follow the link [HERE](#) for further information.

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