

Guide Notes on the use of Calculators in Exams – Academic Year 2021-2022

The rubrics relating to calculator use in examinations were changed from the academic year 2019-2020, within interim arrangements for the following 2 years which have now elapsed. There will be three standard rubrics from which Schools should choose.

CALCULATOR RUBRICS

Standard rubrics (updated November 2021)

1. *No calculators are permitted in this examination*
2. *Only a calculator from approved list A may be used in this examination.*

List A

Basic Models Aurora HC133 Casio HS-5D Deli – DL1654 Sharp EL-233	Scientific Calculators Aurora AX-582 Casio FX82 family Casio FX83 family Casio FX85 family Casio FX350 family Casio FX570 family Casio FX 991 family Sharp EL-531 family Texas Instruments TI-30 family Texas BA II+ family
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3. *Only a calculator from approved list B may be used in this examination.*

List B

Basic Models Aurora HC133 Casio HS-5D Deli – DL1654 Sharp EL-233	Scientific Calculators Aurora AX-582 Casio FX82 family Casio FX83 family Casio FX85 family Casio FX350 family Casio FX570 family Casio FX 991 family Sharp EL-531 family Texas Instruments TI-30 family Texas BA II+ family	Graphical Calculators Casio FX9750 family Texas Instruments TI82 family
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In addition, NUBS have been approved to use the following variant rubric

4. Only a calculator from approved list A1 may be used in this examination

List A1

Basic Models Aurora HC133 Casio HS-5D Deli – DL1654 Sharp EL-233	Scientific Calculators Aurora AX-582 Casio FX82 family Casio FX83 family Casio FX85 family Casio FX350 family Sharp EL-531 family Texas Instruments TI-30 family Texas BA II+ family
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Guidelines

1. Candidates may use an electronic calculator in module examinations, provided it is one of the models specified by the rubric and has not been modified in any way. Devices with facilities for storing and retrieving text, personal organisers, dictionaries, thesauruses, language translators and computers, and other devices capable of communicating directly with other similar devices are not permitted in examinations.
2. Exceptionally, students may use specified electronic dictionaries, but only where their Support Plan provides for this.
3. The use of an inappropriate calculator will be considered as misconduct. Visual checks to ensure that calculators are on the relevant approved list will be undertaken by the invigilators during the examination.

The exact models included in the lists will be reviewed annually so the lists given here apply specifically to the current academic year.

If Schools have specific requirements which fall outside of one of these three rubrics, they must make a case to QSC to allow an alternative calculator rubric.