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Key dates

Key dates for the stages following the issue of results including access to data, viewing of scripts and appeals

Service	Schools	Candidate Self Service Portal (CSSP)
Leaving Certificate Results	Schools Portal 10 AM Friday 25 August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matrix report in PDF Matrix report in CSV **New for 2023** Printable PDFs of the Statements of Provisional results. By post – morning of 25 August Matrix Report and Supplementary Reports	10 AM Friday 25 August
Access to Data – Candidates will see their marks including for each component.		12 Noon Tuesday 29 August
Application to View Scripts		LC Online Application Opens: 5 PM Tuesday 29 August Closes: 8 PM Wednesday 30 August The LCA application to view scripts will be via email. The same timeline will apply.
Viewing of Scripts	Manually Marked Scripts Candidates will be assigned to one of two three-hour sessions on Saturday 2 September: Session 1. 9.30 AM – 12.30 PM Session 2. 2PM – 5 PM	Online Marked Scripts * Online access to view over the 24-hour period between: 9 AM Saturday 2 September to 9 AM Sunday 3 September.
Application to Appeal		LC Online Application and Payment Opens: 10 AM Sunday 3 September Closes: 5 PM Monday 4 September
Appeals Results	Schools Portal - Date to be confirmed	CSSP - Date to be confirmed.

* there are some exceptions which are detailed separately in *Candidate Information guide 2: A Guide to results and Appeals*, Section 6 'The viewing of examinations scripts facility'.

Important Information on the Key Dates Table

- The facility to view examination scripts is provided free of charge. The fee to appeal a result is €40 per subject for Leaving Certificate and €15.50 per subject for Leaving Certificate Applied. The fee is refunded in the case of a successful appeal.
- To provide for the earliest possible issue of the appeal results, the timelines for candidates to apply to view scripts and to lodge their appeal applications are very short. To ensure that the remaining stages of the appeals process can be completed as quickly as possible, the deadlines will be strictly applied.
- Candidates should take note of these dates. Schools are also asked to alert candidates to the timeframes in order that candidates do not miss the opportunity to apply to view their scripts or to make an application to appeal.
- The SEC will not accept late applications for viewing or for appeals.**

Introduction

The State Examinations Commission (SEC) wishes to congratulate all 2023 Leaving Certificate and Leaving Certificate Applied students on successfully completing their senior cycle education. Having received your overall results on Friday 25 August, you will receive more detailed information about your results on the Candidate Self Service Portal from 12 noon on Tuesday 29 August. The purpose of providing you with this more detailed information about your results is to assist you if you are considering an appeal. It is also good practice as this information is your personal data. We want to provide you with this information so that you are not required to make a request for it.

The SEC is also committed to ensuring that you have a clear understanding of this further information and of how grades were awarded. The purpose of this booklet is to provide you with information about your Leaving Certificate grades in the 2023 examinations and to assist you should you choose to view your scripts. This booklet will: clarify details concerning the marking of the 2023 examinations, outline how grades were generated, including how a post-marking adjustment was made to your marks before grading, and explain how marks and grades are displayed on examination scripts and how they will be displayed on the Candidate Portal. There is a specific section providing information on Leaving Certificate Applied.

For more detailed information on the viewing of scripts service and on the appeals process, please read *Candidate Information Guide 2 – A Guide to Results and Appeals* available at www.examinations.ie. The key dates involved are also set out above at the front of this Guide.

In line with the SEC commitment to openness and transparency, Leaving Certificate candidates have the opportunity to see details of their marks for the various components of the examination and how they were combined and graded to produce the overall result for each subject. You can use the information in this Guide to satisfy yourself that each of your subjects has been graded correctly. If you require further clarification in relation to how a subject was marked and graded you are encouraged to engage in the viewing of scripts process on 2 September. You can of course contact the SEC on the helpline at 1800 111 135 or 1800 111 136.

The 2023 Examinations

Assessment Arrangements for 2023

Arising from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, many of the assessment components for 2023 were adjusted – in most cases these adjustments were designed to increase the level of choice available to you when completing an examination. It is important to note that these adjustments are not the same as the adjustments which applied to the examinations in 2021 and 2022.

The SEC have delivered adjusted examinations and assessments which take account of the disruption to learning for this year's cohort. Earlier in the year, the Minister for Education made a commitment that there would be no 'cliff edge' return to pre-pandemic aggregate grade profiles. The SEC was then asked to ensure that the overall examination results of 2023 should be, on the aggregate, no lower than those of 2022. Accordingly, following the examinations marking process, we applied a post-marking adjustment to the results for 2023, as was the case in 2022.

Adjustments to Examination Papers

The adjustments made to the examination were put in place to compensate for disruptions to teaching and learning. The adjustments that applied in 2023 were the ones which were published in September 2022; they do **not** include the further adjustments which applied in 2021 and 2022. The adjustments in the case of most subjects involved an increase in the choice available to candidates in the written examinations, rather than a reduction in the number of questions candidates were required to answer. The duration of the examinations was not changed.

As a result of the fact that for most subjects candidates were required to answer the same number of questions as usual, the total number of marks awarded for most written examinations was not reduced.

While reading and using this booklet, you should also refer to *Assessment Arrangements For Junior Cycle and Leaving Certificate Examinations 2023*, where details relating to the specific adjustments in each subject are outlined. (<https://www.examinations.ie/misc-doc/EN-EX-57529942.pdf>)

The Marking Process

Notwithstanding these changes, the examinations continued to be marked by teachers who brought their professional judgement to the process. The marking itself was monitored by experienced Advising Examiners with the entire process overseen by the Chief Examiner for each subject. The State Examinations Commission's usual quality assurance procedures were applied to the marking process at all stages.

The Post-Marking Adjustment

We have again applied a post-marking adjustment to the examination results in order to give effect to the Minister's commitment that there would be no 'cliff edge' return to pre-pandemic aggregate grade profiles and the subsequent decision that this should mean that the overall set of results for 2023 should on the aggregate be no lower than 2022. This required us to add additional marks as required after all of the examinations had been marked (outside of the application of the marking scheme), the components combined, and the results analysed.

These marks that were added on at the end are separate from the marks you got in each component of the examination and you will be able to see them as a distinct item within each subject when you view your component marks on the candidate portal.

There is more detail about this post-marking adjustment and how it was calculated in a separate section later in this booklet.

Examinations with Different Structures

In the case of the assessment of some senior cycle subjects, there is a written examination only, such as in Accounting. For subjects with a single written examination only, the impact of the adjustments made to the examination on the grading process is minimal. In most cases, the examination is marked out of the same total as usual, because candidates are required to do the same number of questions as usual. However, in a small number of cases, the examination is marked out of a new total because candidates are required to do fewer questions. The computer system in the SEC has been set up to recognise the new grade boundaries and therefore to award the correct grade. In the case of all of these subjects, the total mark that you will see on your script will be the total mark that will be displayed on the Candidate Portal.

For many other subjects, the examination is made up of more than one element or component. For example, in French, there is a written paper, an aural test and an oral test. In other subjects, like History and Geography, there is a written paper and a coursework component.

In examinations with more than one component, candidates are awarded their grade as a result of their combined marks in all of the components of that examination.

In some subjects and levels, the marks for some of the components must be multiplied by a **weighting factor** before they are combined. Where these re-weightings occur, their purpose is to make sure that the components for the subject combine in the correct ratio, as outlined in the specification or syllabus for that subject.

The computer system in the SEC has been programmed to multiply the mark in those components by an appropriate number (the “weighting factor”). As a result, in subjects where this is required, the final mark on the front of your examination script may not be the actual final mark that will be displayed for that component on the Candidate Portal.

Details relating to the calculation of your final overall mark for grading purposes are provided later in this booklet. Rather than listing each subject separately, the subjects and levels are dealt with in three categories:

- Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where there is a single written paper only
- Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where there is more than one component, but where there are no re-weighting factors involved, and
- Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where there is more than one component and where at least one of the components gets re-weighted.

There is a separate section dealing with the Leaving Certificate Applied.

Candidate Portal – Results and Viewing Scripts

Getting your Provisional Grades

The examination results are always regarded as ‘provisional’ until the appeals process has finished. For this reason, the results that you received on Friday 25 August are referred to here and on the Candidate Portal as ‘provisional results’. You will have been able to view your grades when you logged on to the Candidate Portal for your provisional results on results day.

From 5 pm on Tuesday 29 August you will have access to more detailed information about your provisional results on the Candidate Portal. You will see the final mark for your examinations and, in the case of subjects with more than one component, you will see the mark for each of these components. You will also see the additional mark awarded under the post-marking adjustment. The final mark is capped at the examination total; if the adjustment is such as to bring your mark above the examination total, then your final mark will be equal to the examination total.

In the case of the Leaving Certificate Applied programme, the mark that you will see will be the combined mark for the written examination and any other component that there is. For example, the mark for LCA French will be the mark for the written examination and the oral test combined. Similarly, in the case of the Vocational Specialisms, the mark on the portal will be the mark for the written examination and the coursework (project, practical performance test etc.) combined. In the case of Leaving Certificate Applied, the post-marking adjustment takes the form of additional credits that are added on at the end and are separate from the credits you got for satisfactory completion of modules, for tasks, or for the final examinations. They will be shown separately on your statement of provisional results.

Viewing Scripts

After the provisional results have issued, you can avail of the opportunity to view your scripts. In 2023 most examinations were marked online (which means that they were scanned and the examiner marked them while viewing them on screen using purpose-built software). Other examinations were manually marked in the traditional way (in other words, the examiner received the scripts and marked them with a pen).

If you decide that you want to view a script you can apply to do this through the Candidate Portal. The portal will open for application to view scripts at 5 PM on Tuesday 29 August and will close at 8 PM on Wednesday 30 August. If you choose to view a script in a subject that was marked online you will be viewing a scanned image of it on screen through the Candidate Portal from 9 AM on Saturday 2 September until 9 AM on Sunday 3 September. You can print off a copy of your script if you wish.

If you choose to view a script in a subject that was manually marked, the script will be sent to your school for you to view it there on Saturday 2 September. The Organising Superintendent in your school will assign you a time to view your script(s).

In addition to manually marked subjects, there is some other material that can only be viewed in school. Details on what examination material will be viewed in schools is provided on page 7 of *Candidate Information Guide 2 – A Guide to Results and Appeals* available at www.examinations.ie. You are strongly advised to consult that guide so that you will know what material you will need to go to the school to view.

If you are viewing a manually marked script

When viewing a manually marked script, in most cases, the marks will be displayed on the front cover of the script. In some cases where there was no grid on the front cover of the script the marks will be displayed on a separate sheet which will be attached to that script.

You will see the regular **Script Total** – the sum of all the marks on the examination paper on the marking grid on the front cover or sheet. Where the same examiner is marking more than one component, the sum total mark for all of those components will be shown here. In some cases, this total mark on the front cover or sheet will not match the mark that you will see on the Candidate Portal as this mark is the mark before the components were reweighted by the SEC’s computer system, whereas the Candidate Portal displays the mark after it has been reweighted.

The post-marking adjustment is not shown on the script; it is only visible on the Candidate Portal.

If you are viewing a script marked online

If the script you are viewing was marked online you will see a scanned image of the entire script but the marks you have been awarded will be displayed on a cover sheet called a *Candidate Marks Report*.

On the Candidate Marks Report the marks you were awarded for the questions you answered will be displayed. The total mark will also be displayed. The mark report also shows which marks were included in calculating your total mark for that paper. The total mark is also displayed on the *Summary Sheet*, located at the end of the script. If you answered through Irish, see the section below regarding the display of the Irish Bonus, which is only visible on the Summary Sheet in many instances.

If the subject is one in which a reweighting is required, this reweighting will be made on the SEC’s computer system, which is a separate process that comes *after* the script has been marked online. Because of this, and just as for manually marked scripts, the total mark that you will see (on the Candidate Marks Report or on the Summary Sheet) is the mark *before* the component is reweighted and so it will not necessarily match the component mark shown on the Candidate Portal, which is the mark *after* reweighting.

The post-marking adjustment is not included in or shown on the Candidate Marks Report or on the Summary Sheet; it is only visible on the Candidate Portal.

Components that do not involve a marked script

Some examination components, such as oral examinations and many practical components, do not involve a “script” that you can view after marking. In these cases, the mark that you received for this component is still available to be viewed on the Candidate Portal.

Display of bonus marks for answering through Irish

In the case of manually marked scripts, the examiner calculates and applies the Irish bonus and it is visible on the marking grid on the cover of the script.

In the case of four of the online-marked subjects – French, German, Spanish, and Home Economics – the Irish bonus is applied by the examiner and it appears on the Candidate Marks Report.

In the case of all other online-marked scripts, the Irish bonus is calculated automatically by the online marking system, and it is **not** included in the total mark in the Candidate Marks Report. Instead, it is included in the Summary Sheet located at the end of the script. Both the Irish Bonus mark and the total including the bonus are shown. It is this total including the bonus, rather than the total on the Candidate Marks Report, that will be loaded to the SEC’s computer system, and will be used in calculating your overall mark and grade.

Leaving Certificate Applied

Getting your Provisional Grades

You will have viewed your provisional result when you logged on to the Candidate Portal on results day. At that point, you will have seen the single award (Pass, Merit, or Distinction) that you have received based on the credits that you have accumulated and taking account of the additional credits awarded under the post-marking adjustment. Your total number of credits that led to that award was also displayed. This total is out of an available total of 190 credits, unless you have received an exemption from some element(s) of the programme, in which case it is out of a lower available total. You will also have been provided with a statement of your results. This statement provides a breakdown of the number of credits that you received for the completion of modules, tasks, subjects and vocational specialisms. It also shows the number of additional credits awarded under the post-marking adjustment.

What you will see on the Candidate Portal on Tuesday 29 August

On Tuesday 29 August you will have access to more detailed information about your provisional results on the Candidate Portal. You will see marks (and credits) awarded for the work that you submitted to the SEC for assessment.

In the case of the subjects and Vocational Specialisms with a practical component and oral, the mark that you will see will be the combined mark for the written examination and any other component that there is. For example, the mark for LCA French will be the mark for the written examination and the oral test combined. Similarly, in the case of the Vocational Specialisms, the mark on the Candidate Portal will be the mark for the written examination and the coursework (project, practical performance test etc.) combined. In the case of the LCA Tasks, you will see the final mark and the total number of credits awarded.

A summary of what the mark displayed on the Candidate Portal is based on is set out in the table below:

Subject/Vocational Specialism/Task	Mark on the portal includes
Mathematical Applications	Written examination
Social Education	Written examination
English and Communication	Oral and written examination
Sign Language	Practical/written examination
ICT Vocational Specialism	Practical and written examination
Gaeilge Chumarsáideach	Oral and written examination
MFL's: French, German, Spanish, Italian	Oral and written examination
Agriculture/Horticulture	Practical performance test and written examination
Active Leisure Studies	Practical performance test and written examination
Hair and Beauty	Practical performance test and written examination
Hotel, Catering and Tourism	Practical performance test and written examination
Office Administration and Customer Care	Practical performance test and written examination
Childcare/Community Care	Coursework and written examination
Graphics and Construction Studies	Coursework and written examination
Craft and Design	Coursework and written examination
Engineering	Coursework and written examination
Technology	Coursework and written examination
Student Tasks	One single mark for each task

Viewing your scripts

If you decide that you want to view a script you can apply to do this by email, using an application form that will be available on the Candidate Portal. You will need to complete this application form and email it to viewlcascript@examinations.ie. Your application must be received by 8 PM on Wednesday 30 August.

The Organising Superintendent in your school will assign you a time to view your script(s) in your school on Saturday 2 September.

Unlike the Leaving Certificate Established, there were no adjustments to the final examination papers for Leaving Certificate Applied in 2023. Instead, scaling by a factor of 1.15 was applied to the mark awarded (in other words the total mark awarded was multiplied by 1.15) at grading on the SEC's computer system.

For example, where a candidate is awarded 200 marks out of a total of 300 marks for their written examination, this was multiplied by 1.15 on the SEC's computer system so that the mark awarded for grading purposes was 230 marks out of 300. If a candidate's mark exceeded the maximum mark available in the written examination, the mark was capped at that total; the candidate received maximum marks.

If you are viewing your LCA script(s), the total mark in the marking grid on the front cover is the mark awarded to your responses before the scaling has been applied.

In some cases, the examiners will also have been asked to work out the weighted mark to assist with certain aspects of the examining work. For this reason, you may see a '**Weighted Mark**' total, on the front cover/sheet. This may be indicated by '**WM**' and this is the mark after the scaling has been applied.

For Mathematical Applications, Social Education, Sign Language and ICT the single mark displayed on the Candidate Portal is the mark awarded to your examination after the scaling by a factor of 1.15 has been applied.

As described earlier, the mark on the portal for subjects with more than one component will be the mark for the written examination after the scaling has been applied, combined with the mark for the other component.

Unlike the above scaling, which is applied within each examination subject, the post-marking adjustment takes the form of additional credits that are added on at the end and are separate from the credits you got for satisfactory completion of modules, for tasks, or for the final examinations. They are not associated with any specific subject or task, and so will not appear on any script. They will be shown separately on your statement of provisional results, under the heading "+ Credits".

Post-Marking Adjustment

In order to ensure that the overall aggregated results of 2023 would be no lower than in 2022, arrangements were put in place to add additional marks as required (outside of the application of the marking scheme) after all of the examinations had been marked and the results analysed.

These marks that were added on at the end are separate from the marks you got in each component of the examination and you will be able to see them as a distinct item within each subject when you view your component marks on the candidate portal. The arrangement was somewhat different in the case of the Leaving Certificate Applied, in that the adjustment was applied to the credits rather than to the marks. See below for details.

Because the gap between the 2023 results and the 2022 final results was narrower at the upper grades and wider at the lower grades, the post-marking adjustment gives more marks at the lower end of the marking scale than at the upper end to deal with this. The adjustment is 12.67% of the examination total at the very bottom of the marking scale, and gradually reduces to 5.11% of the examination total at the very top of the scale. However, the adjustment is calculated on the *marks* and not on the percentages.

Before the adjustment is calculated, all of the marks from the different components of the examination (written, oral, aural, practical examination, coursework, etc.) are combined. This might involve weighting the different components to ensure they each contribute the correct amount to the total. This combined mark is your overall mark for the examination. In a typical year, this is the mark that is used for grading. In 2023, the adjustment was applied to this overall mark and then the adjusted mark was used for grading.

The exact formula for calculating the adjustment is:

$$\text{adjustment in marks} = 12.670 \left(\frac{\text{examination total}}{100} \right) - 0.0756 \times (\text{candidate's mark})$$

This is then rounded to the nearest whole number of marks.

Example. In Higher level French, your overall mark after combining the written, oral and aural is shown on the candidate portal as 314 out of 400. In any other year, that would then give you a grade 3. In 2023, you get the following adjustment:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{adjustment in marks} &= 12.670 \left(\frac{400}{100} \right) - 0.0756 \times (314) \\ &= 50.68 - 23.7384 \\ &= 26.9416 \end{aligned}$$

This is rounded to 27 marks. It is then added to your original mark to give you a final mark of $314 + 27 = 341$ out of 400. This is a grade 2. Your grade goes up because the adjustment causes you to cross the boundary between grade 3 and grade 2, which is 320 marks.

The candidate portal will show you the original mark, the adjustment, and the final mark. The final mark is capped at the examination total; if the adjustment is such as to bring your mark above the examination total, then your final mark will be equal to the examination total. Note that the candidate portal is the **only** place where you can see the adjustment. It is not visible on any scripts that are manually marked or on the Candidate Marks Report or Summary Sheet for subjects marked online.

A note regarding the effect of an appeal on the adjustment

You should note that if you appeal your provisional result, and if your overall mark changes as a result of the appeal, then the post-marking adjustment will be calculated again based on your new total. This might cause the adjustment to change too. In particular, if your mark goes up on appeal, the value of the adjustment may go down.

Leaving Certificate Applied

In the case of Leaving Certificate Applied, a similar formula is used, but it is applied to your credits instead of your marks. The formula used in the case of the Leaving Certificate Applied gives a slightly larger adjustment than the one for the Leaving Certificate established, because this is what was required in order to ensure that the Leaving Certificate Applied results in 2023 were no lower than those in 2022. The total number of credits available in the Leaving Certificate Applied is usually 200 credits, but it is 190 credits in 2023 (as it was in 2021 and 2022) because you had to do only six Student Tasks instead of seven. Because the total number of credits available is 190, the formula for the adjustment is:

$$\text{adjustment in credits} = 25.4999 - 0.075 \times (\text{candidate's credits})$$

This is then rounded to the nearest whole number of credits.

Example. From satisfactory completion of modules, student tasks, and examinations, you accumulate a total of 125 credits. Without any adjustment, that would lead to an award of *Pass*. In 2023, you get the following adjustment:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{adjustment in credits} &= 25.4999 - 0.075 \times (125) \\ &= 25.4999 - 9.375 \\ &= 16.1249\end{aligned}$$

This is rounded to 16 credits. It is then added to your original number of credits to give you a final number of $125 + 16 = 141$ out of 190. This is a *Merit*. Your award category went up because the adjustment caused you to cross the boundary between *Pass* and *Merit*, which is 133 credits.

The extra credits awarded under the post-marking adjustment will be shown on your statement of provisional results on the candidate portal under the heading “+ credits”. The final number of credits is capped at the available total; if the adjustment is such as to bring your number of credits above the total available, then your final number of credits will be equal to the available total.

If you have an exemption from some element of the programme, such as an exemption from Irish, then your overall award (*Pass*, *Merit*, or *Distinction*) is based on a reduced number of credits. Nevertheless, the formula used for calculating the adjustment is still the same one as above.

A note regarding the effect of an appeal on the adjustment

You should note that if you appeal your provisional result, and if your overall number of credits changes as a result of the appeal, then the post-marking adjustment will be calculated again based on your new total. This might cause the adjustment to change too. In particular, if your number of credits goes up on appeal, the value of the adjustment may go down.

Leaving Certificate: Single Written Paper

The table below provides a list of the Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where a single written paper is the only component, along with the mark total and whether the paper is marked online or on paper. In the case of these subjects, the total mark that you will see on your script (or on the Candidate Marks Report) will be the same as the total mark that will be displayed on the Candidate Portal.

Subject	Level	Mark Total	Online or Manually Marked
Mathematics	Foundation	300	Online
Latin	Higher	400	Manual
	Ordinary	400	Manual
Ancient Greek	Higher	400	Manual
	Ordinary	400	Manual
Hebrew Studies ¹	Higher	300	Manual
	Ordinary	300	Manual
Physics	Higher	400	Online
	Ordinary	400	Online
Chemistry	Higher	400	Online
	Ordinary	400	Online
Physics & Chemistry	Higher	400	Manual
	Ordinary	400	Manual
Biology	Higher	400	Online
	Ordinary	400	Online
Accounting	Higher	400	Online
	Ordinary	400	Online
Business	Higher	400	Online
	Ordinary	400	Online
Arabic	Higher	400	Manual
	Ordinary	400	Manual
Non-Curricular EU Languages (Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Estonian, Finnish, Hungarian, Latvian, Maltese, Modern Greek, Romanian, Slovakian, Slovenian, Swedish)	Higher	100	Manual

¹ Due to adjustments to the paper for 2023, Hebrew Studies was marked out of 300 marks at both levels. When there are no adjustments, this subject is marked out of 400 marks.

Leaving Certificate: Multiple Components with no Weighting Factors

The table below provides a list of the Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where there is more than one component but where none of the components get multiplied by a weighting factor before the components are combined.

The mark totals for each component are also given, as well as information regarding how the components that involve a written “script” are marked (online or on paper).

For all of these subjects, the total mark that you will see on your script (in the case of manually marked subjects) or on the Candidate Marks Report or Summary Sheet (in the case of online-marked subjects) for each written paper will be the same as the total mark that will be displayed for that paper on the Candidate Portal².

Subject	Level (Total Marks)	Component (Marks)	Online or manually Marked ³
Irish	Higher (600)	Paper 1 (160)	Online
		Paper 2 (200)	Online
		Oral Examination (240)	–
	Ordinary (600)	Paper 1 (160)	Online
		Paper 2 (200)	Online
		Oral Examination (240)	–
Foundation (600)	Paper 1 (360)	Online	
	Oral Examination (240)	–	
English	Higher (400)	Paper 1 (200)	Online
		Paper 2 (200)	Online
	Ordinary (400)	Paper 1 (200)	Online
		Paper 2 (200)	Online
Mathematics	Higher (600)	Paper 1 (300)	Online
		Paper 2 (300)	Online
	Ordinary (600)	Paper 1 (300)	Online
		Paper 2 (300)	Online
History	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online

² For French, German, and Spanish, you will see separate totals for the written paper and the aural paper on the Candidate Portal. These will also be shown on the Summary Sheet. However, you will not see these separate totals on the Candidate Marks Report. Instead, you will see the combined total for the written and aural papers.

³ In the case of components flagged “–” in this table, there is no marked “script” to view. In these cases, viewing your marked script for the subject will not provide any further information for this component beyond the component mark that is already available to you on the candidate portal.

Geography	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
Classical Studies	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
French	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Online
		Aural Paper (80)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
German	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Online
		Aural Paper (80)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Spanish	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Online
		Aural Paper (80)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Italian	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Manual
		Aural Paper (80)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Art	Higher (500)	Written Paper (150)	Online
		Practical (100)	–
		Coursework (250)	–
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (150)	Online
		Practical (100)	–
		Coursework (250)	–
Portuguese	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (120)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Applied Mathematics	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
Agricultural Science	Higher (400)	Written Paper (300)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (300)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online

Construction Studies	Higher (600)	Written Paper (300)	Manual
		Practical (150)	–
		Coursework (150)	–
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (200)	Manual
		Practical (150)	–
		Coursework (150)	–
Economics	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
Japanese	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Manual
		Aural Paper (80)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (200)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Music	Higher (400)	Composing Core (100)	Online
		Listening Core (100)	Online
		Performing Core (100)	–
		Listening Elective (100)	Manual
		Other electives (100)	–
	Ordinary (400) ⁴	Composing Core (100)	Online
		Listening Core (100)	Online
		Performing Core (100)	–
Russian	Higher (400)	Written Paper (220)	Manual
		Aural Paper (80)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Computer Science	Higher (300)	Written Paper (130)	Manual
		Practical (80)	Manual
		Coursework (90)	–
	Ordinary (300)	Written Paper (130)	Manual
		Practical (80)	Manual
		Coursework (90)	–
Religious Education	Higher (400)	Written Paper (320)	Online
		Coursework (80)	Online
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (320)	Online
		Coursework (80)	Online

⁴ For Ordinary level Music, the highest mark from the three core components is doubled.

Physical Education	Higher (500)	Written Paper (250)	Online
		Coursework (100)	–
		Performance (150)	–
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (250)	Online
		Coursework (100)	–
		Performance (150)	–
LCVP – Link Modules	Common (400)	Written Paper (160)	Online
		Portfolio (240)	Manual
Polish	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (120)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Lithuanian	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (120)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Design Communication Graphics	Higher (400)	Written Paper (240)	Manual
		Coursework (160)	Manual
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (240)	Manual
		Coursework (160)	Manual
Mandarin Chinese	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (160)	Manual
		Aural Paper (120)	Manual
		Oral Examination (120)	–
Politics and Society	Higher (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (400)	Online
		Coursework (100)	Online

Leaving Certificate: Multiple Components with Weighting Factors

The table below provides a list of the Leaving Certificate subjects and levels where there is more than one component and where at least one component is multiplied by a weighting factor by the SEC computer system before the components are combined. This is to make sure that the components for the subject combine in the correct ratio, as outlined in the specification or syllabus for that subject

The mark totals for each component are also given, as well as information regarding how the components are marked (online or manually)

Note: If the written paper or another component that is marked manually or online is reweighted, then the total mark for that component as displayed on the Candidate Portal will be different from the total mark that you will see on the script or Candidate Marks Report or Summary Sheet. The script or Candidate Marks report or Summary Sheet shows the mark *before* reweighting, while the Candidate Portal shows the mark *after* reweighting.

Subject	Level (Total Marks)	Component (Marks)	Online or manually Marked ⁵
French	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (220 × 1.25 = 275)	Online
		Aural Paper (100 × 1.25 = 125)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
German	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (220 × 1.25 = 275)	Online
		Aural Paper (100 × 1.25 = 125)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Spanish	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (220 × 1.25 = 275)	Online
		Aural Paper (100 × 1.25 = 125)	Online
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Italian	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (220 × 1.25 = 275)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100 × 1.25 = 125)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–

⁵ In the case of components flagged “–”, there is no marked “script” to view. In these cases, viewing your marked script for the subject will not provide any further information for this component beyond the component mark that is already available to you on the Candidate Portal.

Portuguese	Higher (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100 × 1.2 = 120)	–
Engineering	Higher (600)	Written Paper (300)	Online
		Practical (100 × 1.5 = 150)	–
		Coursework (150)	–
	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper (200)	Online
		Practical (100 × 1.5 = 150)	–
		Coursework (150)	–
Technology	Higher (400)	Written Paper (160 × 1.25 = 200)	Online
		Coursework (200)	–
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (160 × 1.25 = 200)	Online
		Coursework (200)	–
Home Economics ⁶	Higher (400)	Written Paper (280 or 320) ⁷	Online
		Food Studies Coursework (160 × 0.5 = 80)	Manual
		Textile, Fashion and Design Elective Coursework (100 × 0.4 = 40)	–
	Ordinary (400)	Written Paper (280 or 320) ⁷	Online
		Food Studies Coursework (160 × 0.5 = 80)	Manual
		Textile, Fashion and Design Elective Coursework (100 × 0.4 = 40)	–

⁶ For Home Economics, you will see separate totals on the Candidate Portal for Section C from the written paper (Paper 4 or Paper 5) and Sections A and B from the written paper (Paper 1). You will also see these on the Summary Sheet, but you will not see them on the Candidate Marks Report. Instead, you will see the overall total for the written paper.

⁷ Candidates who submitted the *Textile, Fashion and Design Elective Coursework* may only attempt Question 2 from Section C of the written paper and are marked out of 280.

Russian	Ordinary (500)	Written Paper ($220 \times 1.25 = 275$)	Manual
		Aural Paper ($100 \times 1.25 = 125$)	Manual
		Oral Examination (100)	–
Polish	Higher (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100)	Manual
		Oral Examination ($100 \times 1.2 = 120$)	–
Lithuanian	Higher (400)	Written Paper (180)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100)	Manual
		Oral Examination ($100 \times 1.2 = 120$)	–
Mandarin Chinese	Higher (400)	Written Paper (160)	Manual
		Aural Paper (100)	Manual
		Oral Examination ($120 \times 1.16666667 = 120$)	–