



## SCHEDULE OF FEES

Determined by QQI, with the consent of the Minister for Education and Skills and the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform - Section 80 2012 Act

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### 1 FEES FOR SUBMISSION BY PROVIDERS OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL

#### 1A FEES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL (NEW PROVIDERS (SECTION 80 (a)))

Fee	Applicability
€10,000	Fee for new providers of Higher Education and Training (HET) programmes.
€5,000	Fee for new providers of Further Education and Training (FET) programmes.

**Note:** The applicable programme validation fee will also be payable. See part 2 overleaf.

#### 1B FEES FOR THE SUBMISSION, BY SECTION 84 PROVIDERS, OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL (REENGAGEMENT FEE)

##### Higher Education & Training Providers

Fee	Applicability
€8,000	Major Awards
€5,000	Special Purpose Awards only

##### Further Education & Training Providers

Fee	Applicability
€4,000	Major Awards at levels 4, 5, 6
€2,500	Special Purpose Awards or Component Certificates only at levels 4, 5, 6
€2,000	Any Award at level 1, 2 or 3 but no higher



## 2 FEES FOR PROGRAMME VALIDATION - HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

### 2A FEES FOR AN APPLICATION FOR VALIDATION OF A PROGRAMME OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING (SECTION 80 (E))

#### Standard Validation

Fee	Applicability <sup>1</sup>
€10,000	Fee for higher education and training programme with 60 credits or more
€5,000	Fee for higher education and training programme with less than 60 credits

### 2B FEE FOR VALIDATION OF A PROGRAMME OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING WHERE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ARRANGING AN INDEPENDENT EVALUATION REPORT IS DEVOLVED

The fee in respect of a application for validation of a programme of higher education and training in this case will be 50% of the standard validation fee.

### 2C FEE FOR VALIDATION OF A PROGRAMME OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING LEADING TO A JOINT AWARD

The fee in respect of the validation of a higher education and training programme leading to a joint award will not be less than 50% of the standard validation fee (see 2A above). In some circumstances, it may equal or exceed the standard fee. This will depend on the circumstances and the complexity involved.

### 2D FEE FOR OVERSEAS VALIDATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMMES

All overseas validations will be charged the standard validation fee (see 2A above) plus travel and subsistence for panel members and members of the QQI executive, and other additional costs incurred.

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<sup>1</sup> Please see Appendix 1 for the application of the validation fees to embedded programmes and the submission of one or more programmes in a single submission

**2E FEE FOR THE REVALIDATION<sup>2</sup> OF A HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMME (SECTION 80 (F))**

Fee	Applicability (Note 1)
€1,500 minimum	A charge of €1,500 will apply to the first programme, with an additional fee of €10 per credit for each additional embedded programme, subject to a maximum of €1,500 per programme.

**Note 1:** This fee is for revalidation conducted following a programme review process managed by the provider in line with terms of reference agreed by QQI. QQI may decide that a new validation is required on the expiry of the validation of a programme. If the revalidation is conducted by QQI (e.g. where terms of reference for the provider's programme review were not agreed by QQI), the standard validation fee will apply (see 2A above).

**2F FEE FOR THE VALIDATION OF AN EMBEDDED PROGRAMME LEADING TO AN EXIT AWARD**

A fee will not apply to the validation of an embedded programme leading to an exit award. The exit award fee concession is only available for major awards. An exit award is available in exceptional and limited circumstances when a learner is not in a position to complete the programme they enrolled on. An exit award programme should not be advertised.

Note that the standard fees apply to applications for the validation of any other kind of embedded programme.

**2G FEE FOR THE EXTENSION OF VALIDATION FOR ONE YEAR****1) PROGRAMMES WITH 60 CREDITS OR MORE**

These will be charged at the higher of one fifth of the standard validation fee (see 2A above) or a minimum of €3,000 if the extension is being sought for a single programme with 60 credits or more. Where the extension of validation request is not approved the fee will not be refunded.

**2) PROGRAMMES WITH LESS THAN 60 CREDITS**

These will be charged at the higher of one fifth of the standard validation fee (see 2A above) or a minimum of €1,000 if the extension is being sought for a single programme with less than 60 credits. Where the extension of validation request is not approved the fee will not be refunded.

<sup>2</sup> Revalidation is validation by QQI of a programme that has emerged or evolved from a programme that had been previously validated by QQI. Revalidation is also required for any programme that is to continue to enrol learners following expiry of the duration of enrolment.



## 2H WITHDRAWAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR VALIDATION

Applications for the validation of programmes may be withdrawn prior to the start of the independent evaluation stage. A partial refund of fees (up to 50% of the fees received in respect of the application) may be made at this point. Once the independent evaluation stage has started, QQI will normally progress to a determination and publish the independent evaluation report.

## 3 FEES FOR PROGRAMME VALIDATION - FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMMES (THE FEES FOR PROGRAMME VALIDATION FOR FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING ARE UNDER REVIEW)

### 3A FEES FOR AN APPLICATION FOR VALIDATION OF A FURTHER EDUCATION PROGRAMME (SECTION 80 (E))

#### Standard Validation

Fee	Applicability
€2,000	Fee for a further education and training programme with <b>50% or more</b> of the credit value of a major award
€1,000	Fee for a further education and training programme with <b>less than 50%</b> of the credit value of a major award

**4 FEES FOR SUBMISSION OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL AND PROGRAMME VALIDATION – ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDUCATION****4A FEES FOR AN APPLICATION FOR VALIDATION OF AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMME (SECTION 80 (E))**

<b>Fee</b>	<b>Applicability</b>
€5,000	International Foundation Year Award - Postgraduate
€1,000	International Foundation Year Award - Undergraduate

**4B FEES FOR SUBMISSION OF QUALITY ASSURANCE PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL IN RESPECT OF THE PROVISION OF THE CERTIFICATE FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING AND AN APPLICATION FOR VALIDATION OF THE PROGRAMME**

<b>Fee</b>	<b>Applicability</b>
€5,000	Approval of Quality Assurance Procedures for the provision of the Certificate in English Language Teaching (CELT)
€1,000	Validation of the Certificate in English Language Teaching (CELT)

**5 FEES FOR THE MAKING OF AWARDS****5A FEES FOR THE MAKING OF AWARDS BY QQI (SECTION 80 (G))**

Type of Award	Fee
<b>Major Awards</b>	
Level 1 - 3	€0
Level 4*	€50
Level 5*	€50
Level 6*	€80
<b>Component Awards</b>	
Level 1 - 3	€ 0
Level 4*	€20
Level 5 & 6*	€20
<b>Special Purpose and Supplemental Awards</b>	
Level 1 - 3	€ 0
Level 4*	€40
Level 5 & 6*	€40
Higher Certificate	€100
Ordinary Bachelor Degree	€150
Honours Bachelor Degree	€200
Higher Diploma	€200
Post-graduate Diploma	€200
Masters' Degree	€200
Doctoral Degree	€200
Minor, Special Purpose and Supplemental Awards	€ 50

*\*Waivers in respect of further education and training award (certification) fees are available to social welfare recipients and/or medical card holders. Providers should have a procedure to verify that a learner satisfies the exemption criteria and should retain this evidence. Waivers also apply to learners at certain centres, i.e. Youthreach and VTOS centres*

**5B FEES FOR THE MAKING OF JOINT AWARDS (SECTION 80 (H))**

Fees in respect of the making of joint awards will be not less than 50% of the fee for QQI awards. See Section 5a above. In some circumstances, the fee may equal that of a QQI award. The specific circumstances will be taken into consideration when determining an appropriate fee.



## APPENDIX 1

### APPLICATION OF THE SCHEDULE OF FEES WHERE A SUBMISSION INCLUDES APPLICATIONS FOR THE VALIDATION OF MULTIPLE PROGRAMMES IN A SIMILAR FIELD OF LEARNING

#### PROGRAMMES OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

In the case of programmes of higher education and training the standard validation fee (see 2A above) will apply to the programme with the highest number of credits.

The fee for each additional programme included in the submission will be calculated based on €100 per credit, subject to a maximum of €10,000 in respect of each additional programme which has 60 credits or more, and €5,000 in respect of each additional programme with less than 60 credits.

#### EXAMPLE A

2 Major Awards (1 add-on) and 5 Minor Awards

Award	Credits/Level	Fee €
Higher Certificate in Business	120 / L6	10,000
Bachelor of Business (Hons) with International Business	60 / L8	6,000
Certificate in Sales and Marketing	30 / L6	3,000
Certificate in Marketing Management	30 / L6	3,000
Certificate in Business and Entrepreneurship	20 / L6	2,000
Certificate in Business Communications	20 / L6	2,000
Certificate in Strategic Management	10 / L7	1,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>27,000</b>

- €13,500 is the amount due (50% of €27,000) where responsibility for arranging an independent evaluation report is devolved as per 2B above

#### EXAMPLE B

2 Major Awards

Award	Credits/Level	Fee €
Masters in Science in Technology and Business	90 / L9	10,000
Postgraduate Diploma in Science in Technology and Business	60 / L9	6,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>16,000</b>

**EXAMPLE C**

## 1 Major Award and 1 Minor Award

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Bachelor of Arts in Animation	180 /L7	10,000
Certificate in Animation	60 /L6	6,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>16,000</b>

**EXAMPLE D**

## 2 Special Purpose Awards

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Certificate in Fund Accounting	30 /L9	5,000
Certificate in Risk and Financial Analysis	30 /L9	3,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>8,000</b>

**EXAMPLE E**

## 3 Major Awards ab-initio and 3 Minor Awards

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Bachelor of Science (Honours)	240 /L8	10,000
Bachelor of Science	180 /L7	10,000
Higher Certificate in Science	120 /L6	10,000
Diploma in Science	70 (L7)	7,000
Certificate in Science	30 (L6)	3,000
Certificate in Science Methods	30 (L6)	3,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>43,000</b>



**EXAMPLE F**

3 Major Awards and, 3 Minor Awards

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Higher Certificate in Business	120 /L6	10,000
Bachelor of Business (Honours) add on	60/L8	6,000
Bachelor of Business add-on	60 /L7	6,000
Diploma in Business	70 /L7	7,000
Certificate in Business	30 /L6	3,000
Certificate in Business Accounts	30 /L6	3,000
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>35,000</b>

**EXAMPLE G**

A suite of four programmes submitted for revalidation

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Bachelor of Business (Honours) in Marketing	240 /L8	1,500
Bachelor of Business in Marketing	180 /L7	1,500
Higher Certificate in Business in Marketing	120 /L6	1,200
Certificate in Marketing	60 /L6	600
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>4,800</b>

**EXAMPLE H**

A suite of 6 programmes submitted for revalidation

<b>Award</b>	<b>Credits/Level</b>	<b>Fee €</b>
Certificate in Care Giving	20 /L6	1,500
Certificate in Golf and Sports Turf Management	15 /L6	150
Certificate in Care for the Elderly	15 /L6	150
Certificate in Facilitated Learning	10 /L6	100
Certificate in Supported Learning	10 /L6	100
Certificate in Managing Behaviour	10 /L6	100
<b>Total Fee</b>		<b>2,100</b>