

IAT Educational Structure Guide

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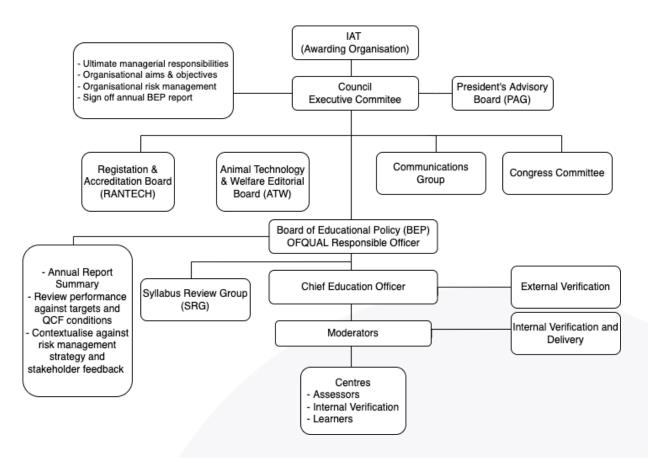
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Reporting Structure



Official	Responsibility
IAT Council	 Ultimate responsibility for the affairs of the IAT review policies and procedures final appeal level Sign off annual BEP report Maintain confidentiality of records and processes Report and liaise with Institute members, learners and wider industry and education stakeholders
Board of Educational Policy (BEP)	 Chief Education Officer to act as Ofqual Responsible Officer Review Learning Outcomes and Assessment Criteria, Rules of Combination and unit structure and content Review assessment methods Review administration processes and special assessment arrangements act at appeal level or adjudicate in cases of serious misconduct advise Institute on education matters

Syllabus Review Group (SRG)

- Review syllabus content
- Develop the units for use in the qualifications
- Composed of persons actively involved in the practice of animal technology and/or teaching, assessing and moderating animal technology qualifications
- Should be Fellows of the IAT and/or hold relevant graduate or post graduate qualifications
- An educationalist, with a recognised teaching qualification and experience, will form part of the SRG
- Will meet at least twice annually to discuss stakeholder feedback and sector developments

Educational Development Executive

- Will be ex-officio member of the Board of Educational Policy (BEP) ensure effectiveness of assessment and moderation process to oversee and be responsible for the efficient management of the moderation process, both operationally and fiscally • Monitor audit trail
- Ensure moderators evaluate the grading of assessments in a consistent, fair and accurate manner
- To provide advice to Centres via their Moderator
- Represent the view of the Board of Moderators both internally and externally
- Advise centres on appropriate procedures and good practice advise Board of Educational Policy and Chair of the Board of Moderators on the running of the education process act as independent part of appeal process
- Regular sampling of assessment activities, methods and records to monitor consistency of assessment decisions as specified by qualification documentation
- Provide assessors with prompt, accurate and constructive feedback on their assessment decisions
- Undertake an active role in raising issues of good practice in assessment ensure that equal opportunities and antidiscriminatory practices are upheld in the assessment process
- Liaise with other staff members and the External Verifier to implement the requirements of the assessment system and ensure effective quality assurance
- Ensure that all learners' achievement records and Centre documentation are completed in accordance with requirements accredit centres

External	Review the performance of moderators and assessors
Verification	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Verification	Make approval visits/recommendations to confirm that organisations can satisfy the approval criteria.
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	 Ensure that internal verifiers/qualification co-ordinators are undertaking their duties satisfactorily
	Monitor internal quality assurance systems and sampling
	assessment activities, methods and records
	Provide prompt, accurate and constructive feedback to all
	relevant parties on the operation of centres' assessment
	systems
	 Maintain records of centre visits and making these available for auditing purposes
	Promote best practice
	Help centres to develop internal assessment and evidence
	evaluation systems that are fair, reliable, accessible, and non-
	discriminatory
	Act as a source of advice and support throughout the education
	process report to IAT and produce an annual report
Centre	Provide learning environment
	Provide teaching resources and assessments establish internal
	verification procedures ensure fair assessment grading apply
	complaints procedure as required
	 Apply equal opportunities and other policies to ensure fair
	access and fair treatment of all learners
	 Provide access to training and Continuing Professional
	Development for assessors and internal verifiers
Assessors	Ensure that each learner is aware of his/her responsibility in meeting the Assessment Criteria
	Follow assessment guidance provided by the awarding organisation and Centre
	Provide learners with prompt, accurate and constructive
	feedback manage the system of assessment from assessment
	planning through to making and recording assessment decisions
	Assess evidence of learner competence against the Learning
	Outcomes and Assessment Criteria
	Ensure the validity, authenticity, currency and sufficiency of
	evidence produced by learners
	Maintain accurate and verifiable learner assessment and
	achievement records
	Liaise with moderators and provide examples of assessments
	and marked work as required
	Effectively support and develop learners

	 Where an assessment of competence is required involving the handling of a living animal the assessor must be a Registered Animal Technologist (RAnTech) holds, or is working towards, a recognised teaching or assessing qualification.
Internal Verifier	 Have appropriate qualifications and experience to allow the independent review of assessments and graded work Independently review assessments and graded work to ensure they are fair, consistent, and appropriate for the learning outcomes Advise on strengths and weaknesses of assessments and grading
Gateway Approval	 ensure that all apprentices have completed the mandatory aspects of the occupational standard and any work that underpins specified assessment methods and that employers believe an apprentice is occupationally competent at the point they enter the gateway.
End-Point Assessment	 The approvals process makes sure that all approved apprenticeship standards are high-quality and meet employer demand. A panel of individuals chosen by the IAT who have occupational experience and are experts in their industry will act as End Point Assessors