Waterford and Wexford ETB

External Authenticator Guide



Communication Process



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QA makes initial contact with EAs	EA agrees to carry out the work during the requested dates for the modules/awards specified.	QA will email relevant documentation to EAs	EA returns the signed Letter of Engagement to QA and if new to WWETB, must complete an Employee Commencement Form
EA and Centre liaise regarding dates/times/parking, etc	EA visits centre (or logs in remotely) at the agreed date/time to carry out the work.	Centre Contact will have the IV report(s) and previous EA report(s) available for EA	EA returns the completed EA report(s) to QA & the Centre Contact within 48 hours of visit
EA completes Pay Claim form in its entirety and returns to QA	QA may contact EA before RAP meeting for further information or clarity on points raised in report.	QA may give feedback to EA, where appropriate, following the RAP meeting.	Quality Assurance External Authenticator Centre Contact

Additional Information





• WWETB's default sampling strategy

#Assessment Portfolios	FE Levels 1-3	FE Levels 4-6
≤ 12	3	*Between 3 & 6
Between 13 & 25	5	*Between 4 & 6
>25	20%	*20%

*At levels 4-6: Minor Awards selected by the external authenticator should include a sample of all grades (highest and lowest)

- When commenting on awards, WWETB welcome observations of good practice along with any recommendations.
- We ask that you complete a full and comprehensive External Authentication Report for <u>each major award</u> and submit to QA and the centre contact within 48 hours of your visit

Internal Verification

Efficiency of the IV process

There is a specific section within the EA report relating to the efficiency of the internal verification process.

We would like you to fully complete this section commenting **ONLY** on the IV report and process.



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Comment on Internal Verification Report (I.V.)

Summary of Internal Verification Findings. Based on the evidence reviewed, please indicate which of the following best summarises the Internal Verification							
process at this centre	2	-		-			
Internal Verification	Report:						
 Was available 	to the Extern	al Authenticator (originally only majo	or award conclusion given)	Yes		No	
 Was signed ar 	nd dated by th	ne Internal Verifier(s)		Yes		No	
 Was signed of 	ff the Centre M	Manager/College Principal(brought to	o principal and signed)	Yes		No	
Choose any ONE of t	he following s	statements which best describes the	effectiveness of the I.V process				
Used as an effective	tool by the ce	entre:					
 Compliance/n 	ion-complianc	e with all assessment processes and	procedures noted	Yes		No	
 Instances of g 	ood practice ł	nighlighted		Yes		No	
 Areas for imp 	rovement hig	hlighted		Yes		No	
 Issues were id 	lentified and a	acted upon prior to External Authent	icator visit	Yes		No	
Partly used as an effe	ective tool by	the centre					
Not all modules were monitored				Yes		No	
Room for improvement in some areas						No	
Ineffective use of the tool							
 Issues arose during authentication which were not highlighted in the I.V. report 				Yes		No	
 Issues identified but not acted upon prior to the visit of the External Authenticator 				Yes		No	
Summary of Internal	Verification F	indings. Based on the evidence rev	iewed, please indicate which of the fol	lowing best summarise	es the I	nternal	Verification
process at this centre	e.						
YOUR GUIDE:							
Very Effective: The centre is very effective at implementing the assessment processes and procedures (no room for improvement)							
Effective: The centre is effective at implementing the assessment processes and procedures with some minor areas for improvement							
Acceptable: The centre is acceptable at implementing the assessment processes and procedures with <u>a number of minor and/or significant areas</u>							
	requiring improvement						
Unsatisfactory: The centre is unsatisfactory in a number of areas which may threaten the integrity of the assessment process							
Very Effect	ive	Effective	Acceptable	Unsa	atisfact	ory	

EA Claim Form

Complete Pay Claim form in its entirety

Relevant Circulars:

- <u>Circular 11/82:- Travelling and Subsistence Regulations</u>
- <u>Circular 05/2015: Subsistence Allowances</u>
- <u>Circular Letter No: 0053/2022 Revised Subsistence</u> <u>Allowances</u>



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Claim Form – QQI External Authentication

EA Name:	Home Address:	Home Address:		
Centre Name: (where EA was conducted)	Eircode:			
Date(s) of EA visit:	PPS Number:	Telephone:		
Invoice Date:	Email:			

Daily EA Rate:	€250 per day or part thereof.		
day(s) x €_250_ per day	Total: €		

Travel:				Motor Travel Rates per km: 41.80c per km up to 1,200cc Refer to: CL 0053/2022 43.40c per km from 1,201cc to 1,500cc 51.82c per km from 1,501 and over			
Car Reg. Number: Car CC:			Car Make & Model:				
Date	From (please include place & time of departure)		To (please include destination & time of arrival)	Lunch Provided Yes or Mo?	Journey in KM	Tickets/Tolls (must be attached)	Total €
Subsistence:							
x €16.29 (over 5hrs)				£			
x €39.08 (over 10hrs)				€			
x €167.00 (over 24hrs)			£				
Travel & Subsist	ence Total:€						
igned External A	uthenticator: _			_ D	ate:		
igned on behalf of WWETB:			D	ate:			

Contact Details





QA contacts for External Authenticators

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