

Welsh-medium Qualifications

Policy Statement

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Introduction

This policy sets out BPEC Certification Ltd.'s position regarding the language medium of its qualifications regulated by Qualification Wales.

Scope and Audience

This policy statement covers qualifications offered by BPEC Certification Ltd. that are regulated by Qualification Wales only.

This policy statement is intended for:

- BPEC recognised Centres offering qualifications regulated by Qualifications Wales.
- BPEC Directors and Governing Board.
- BPEC Core and Associate Staff.
- Qualification Regulators

Details

BPEC Certification Ltd. recognises the importance of language diversity and cultural inclusivity. As an organisation committed to providing educational opportunities, we aim to accommodate the linguistic needs of our learners to the best of our abilities. However, due to certain constraints and considerations, we have made the decision not to offer qualifications through the medium of Welsh at this time.

The decision not to offer qualifications in Welsh is based on the following factors:

Availability of Resources

Developing and delivering qualifications through multiple mediums requires significant operational resources, including qualified personnel, curriculum development, and assessment materials. Given our current resource constraints, we have prioritised offering qualifications in English, where there is higher demand and wider accessibility.

Market Demand

While we recognise the importance of Welsh-medium education, the demand for qualifications through the medium of Welsh may vary across different regions and sectors. Our decision is also influenced by the demand from employers, learners, centres and other stakeholders, which helps guide our qualification offer.

Alignment with Regulator Conditions and Requirements

Regulations published in respect of the qualifications we offer often have specific requirements and standards set outside Wales. In some cases, offering qualifications in Welsh may require additional approval and compliance measures that pose logistical and practical challenges at this time.

Review

We will periodically review this policy to assess our capacity and evaluate the changing needs and demands of learners. We welcome feedback and input from all stakeholders, including Welsh-medium and bilingual Centres that we work with, as we strive to continuously improve our qualification offer.

Further Information

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