



Department for Education

QUALIFICATIONS REFORM: Changes to funding approval and Nesting Qualifications

Currently awarding organisations allow nested qualifications so that learners can top up their previous studies in a subject, to achieve the next qualification in the group e.g. from a Certificate to an Extended Certificate or Diploma. As part of the government's qualifications reforms at level 3 and below, funding approval for qualifications that overlap with wave 1 and 2 T Levels will be withdrawn from 1 August 2024. 'Nesting' may be something you need to be aware of when planning your curriculum as this change could have an impact on learners being able to achieve the larger qualification.

From 2024, qualifications will start to have public funding removed and so if you are planning to move a student on to an extended certificate or diploma the qualifications you are planning to use in the future may no longer be funded. If you are planning to change the qualifications, then for those qualifications being defunded you will need to do this before 31st July.

Please use this link below to check the qualifications that are on the overlap list and will have funding removed in 2024 and please contact your awarding organisation if you are unsure or need further clarification.

[Qualifications that overlap with T Levels - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)