

# External assessment equipment list

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Supervisors will check your equipment, including calculators, before you enter the assessment room.

## Approved equipment for all assessments

- black or blue pens
- 2B pencil, sharpener and eraser  
**Note:** a 2B pencil is only required for multiple choice questions and drawing graphs or diagrams. Black or blue pen must be used for all other written responses.
- a highlighter
- a clear plastic ruler
- water in a clear unlabelled bottle
- asthma inhaler.

You may use a clear plastic container or ziplock bag to carry your equipment if needed.

## QCAA-approved calculators

Only calculators approved for use in assessments are permitted. Scientific and graphics calculators must:

- meet the requirements set out in the [Scientific calculator list](#) and [Graphics calculator list](#)
- be handheld and solar or battery powered
- be cleared of memory before the assessment/s.

For assessments that permit the use of a non-programmable calculator (Accounting, Economics, Geography, Legal Studies), the calculator must be handheld and solar or battery powered. It must not allow access to the following functions: computer algebra system (CAS), spellchecker, dictionary, thesaurus or translator.

## Student devices

A student device is a battery-powered laptop or tablet. For assessments that require the use of a student device, you will either bring your own or a device will be provided by your school. Your school will advise you of the arrangements that apply to student devices for your assessments.

# Subject-specific equipment

Subject	Additional approved subject-specific equipment
Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Studies	Nil
Accounting Accounting (SEE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• non-programmable calculator</li> </ul>
Aerospace Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator</li> <li>• QCAA-approved flight calculator</li> <li>• protractor</li> <li>• ruler or plotter</li> </ul>
Agricultural Science Agricultural Science AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Ancient History Ancient History AS Ancient History SEE	Nil
Arabic SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)</li> </ul>
Biology Biology AS Biology SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Business	Nil
Chemistry Chemistry SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Chinese Chinese SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Dance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Design Design AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• black ink pen</li> <li>• black felt-tip pen</li> <li>• 2B pencil, sharpener and eraser</li> <li>• ruler</li> <li>• a set of coloured pencils or pens</li> </ul>
Digital Solutions	Nil
Drama Drama AS	Nil
Earth & Environmental Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ruler free from markings other than measurement indicators</li> <li>• non-programmable calculator</li> </ul>

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Engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator</li> <li>• protractor</li> <li>• ruler</li> </ul>
English English SEE	Nil
English & Literature Extension	Nil
English as an Additional Language	Nil
Film, Television & New Media Film, Television & New Media AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Food & Nutrition	Nil
French	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
French Extension	Nil
General Mathematics General Mathematics SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator</li> <li>• ruler</li> </ul>
Geography Geography AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• non-programmable calculator</li> <li>• coloured pencils</li> <li>• ruler free from markings other than measurement indicators</li> <li>• lead pencil</li> <li>• eraser</li> </ul>
German German AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
German Extension	Nil
Health	Nil
Indonesian SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Italian	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Japanese Japanese AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Korean SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Latin SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• dictionary</li> </ul>

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Legal Studies Legal Studies AS Legal Studies SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• non-programmable calculator</li> </ul>
Literature	Nil
Marine Science	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Mathematical Methods — Paper 2 (Technology-active)  <b>Note:</b> Paper 1 is Technology-free; no calculator or technology of any type is permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)</li> </ul>
Mathematical Methods SEE — SEE 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)</li> <li>• ruler</li> </ul>
Mathematical Methods SEE — SEE 2 Paper 2 Technology-active  <b>Note:</b> SEE 2 Paper 1 is Technology-free; no calculator or technology of any type is permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> <li>• QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)</li> </ul>
Modern Greek SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)</li> </ul>
Modern History Modern History AS Modern History SEE	Nil
Music Music AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>• student device</li> </ul>
Music Extension	Nil
Philosophy & Reason Philosophy & Reason SEE	Nil
Physical Education Physical Education AS	Nil
Physics Physics AS Physics SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Polish SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)</li> </ul>
Psychology Psychology AS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> </ul>
Punjabi SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)</li> </ul>

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Russian SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>monolingual and/or bilingual print dictionaries in one or two volumes (written examination only)</li> </ul>
Spanish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>student device</li> </ul>
Specialist Mathematics — Paper 2 <b>Note:</b> Paper 1 is Technology-free	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>QCAA-approved graphics calculator</li> <li>QCAA-approved scientific calculator (permitted)</li> </ul>
Study of Religion	Nil
Vietnamese SEE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>earphones/headphones (cannot be Bluetooth, wireless, noise-cancelling or have a microphone)</li> <li>student device</li> </ul>
Visual Art Visual Art AS	Nil
Visual Art SEE — SEE 1 (Practical examination)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>student's own collection of resources and art media contained in one standard box, measuring approximately 46 cm x 36 cm x 31 cm</li> </ul>

## Prohibited materials

The items below are prohibited in any assessment room, except if specifically approved as an AARA, or listed as approved equipment for an assessment, e.g. for a subject that requires students to use a device or permits the use of a dictionary.

- mobile phones
- smart watches and fitness trackers
- any other electronic device that stores, retrieves, displays or communicates digital information
- correction fluid or correction tape
- dictionaries
- erasable pens
- blank paper, notes, any printed/written material
- tissues\*.

\* Schools may supply tissues in assessment rooms but students cannot bring them in.