

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Position Statement

Purpose

EAL's Position Statement is aligned with the requirements of the relevant regulators (Ofqual, QW, QSA, CCEA) and explains how AI is used in an ethical, fair and transparent way within our qualifications and assessments.

Our core position

We support the ethical and responsible use of AI to support teaching, learning and assessment. However, AI must not be used to replace expert professional judgement and humans must be involved in decision making.

AI can be used

To:

- Create and/or refine teaching and learning materials
- Plan and/or review assessment content
- Quality assurance and/or moderation of marking (if humans have made the final assessment decision)

When it:

- Does not affect the validity or reliability of assessment outcomes
- Upholds the principles of fairness, validity and trust
- Is clearly declared and referenced
- Is used to support, but not replace, human judgement
- Is monitored (e.g. audit trails of human reviews of AI outputs are kept and maintained)
- Complies with data protection legislation and laws (e.g. GDPR, Equality Act 2010)

AI cannot be used

To:

- Replace expert judgements in assessments (e.g. determine assessment results/grade boundaries)
- Make automated decisions that affect a learner's result without verified human validation
- Replace work that learners must produce themselves to demonstrate the required knowledge, skills and understanding
- Transcribe, record or monitor EPA Assessments

When it:

- Undermines the integrity of the assessment evidence
- Processes personal data without approval or for unapproved purposes

All stakeholders involved in teaching, learning and assessment have a responsibility to be open about when and how AI is used. This includes adhering to organisational AI policies and processes and complying with the relevant regulatory requirements. In instances where AI has been misrepresented as the work of learners, sanctions may be applied as outlined in EAL's malpractice and maladministration policy.

We will continually monitor and review changes to regulatory requirements and update our approach accordingly to ensure it is compliant and reflective of current best practice.