



NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Head Teacher (GCSE Engineering)

Date: February 2010

Subject: GCSE Engineering Specifications Document Pages 27, 28 and 33

IMPORTANT

**Please pass a copy of this Notice to the Heads of Department responsible for:
GCSE ENGINEERING J322 – J344**

CORRECTION TO CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT SPECIFICATION DOCUMENT

To clarify the recommended time allocations for part A and B in Units A621 and A623 the wording on pages 27, 28 and 33 has been amended.

Original wording on pages 27 and 28 is:

This unit is internally assessed and externally moderated.

Assessment across the unit will be against the Assessment Objectives AO1, AO2 and AO3.
AO1 – 15 marks. AO2 – 60 marks. AO3 – 15 marks.

The amended wording is:

The time limit available to complete each assessment task is 20 hours

For guidance on the suggested time allocation for controlled assessment see section 5.3.2

Original wording Page 33 is:

(c) **Time control:** The time limit available to candidates to complete each assessment task is 40 hours as specified within the unit. Tasks will be set within a broader learning programme that will allow the acquisition of subject specific knowledge and the development of appropriate practical skills.

The amended wording is:

(c) **Time control:** The time limit available to complete each assessment task is 20 hours as specified within the controlled assessment units A621 and A623. It is suggested that 6 hours be spent on part A and 14 on part B. Tasks will be set within a broader learning programme, which will allow the acquisition of subject specific knowledge and the development of appropriate practical skills.

Please amend or destroy existing copies of the specification.

The updated version of the specification is obtainable from <http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/type/gcse>

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