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**To:** College Principals  
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**Subject:** Further COVID-19 Changes in Assessment of SEC and SEAC Vocational Subjects  
for Academic Year 2020 – 2021

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The MATSEC Board has been monitoring the COVID-19 situation in schools, noticing that further developments are having a greater impact on the time required for delivery and assessment of vocational syllabi, than it was anticipated in October.

The Board has therefore re-convened all syllabus panels to discuss which Knowledge and Comprehension criteria should not be assessed during scholastic year 2020 – 2021 to reflect these new limitations, while ensuring that there would be enough time to deliver and fairly assess the remaining components of each subject. As a result, the following decisions were taken:

- In SEC Vocational Subjects, **THREE Knowledge and/or Comprehension criteria** originally highlighted for the Controlled Assessment, shall not be assessed. These are to still be included on the Controlled Assessment front sheet with the rest of the criteria that will be assessed.
- In SEAC Vocational Subjects, **TWO Knowledge and/or Comprehension criteria** shall not be assessed. These are to be included on the Assignment 3 front sheet with the other two Application criteria which shall not be assessed either

**No marks ( ), should be awarded by assessors for these Knowledge and Comprehension criteria.** The following phrase 'mitigation measures' should be written against the criteria which are not being assessed. The Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed will eventually be pro-rated by MATSEC at the end of the year against the marks obtained in the remaining Knowledge and Comprehension criteria of the same Unit.

With regard to Application criteria not being assessed during this academic year, full marks should still be awarded, as per previous official communication dated 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Due to the above results slips should not be issued to students at the end of this scholastic year.

The addendum which had been included within all syllabi affected in October, are going to be updated in the coming days to include these most recent measures and uploaded on our portal accordingly. A summary of the changes within each subject is being included with this communication for quick reference.

Please ensure that this information is brought to the attention of teachers and internal verifiers, and reflected in assessment accordingly.

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**SEC 35 AGRIBUSINESS** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-9 | K-10 | C-5 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-1 | C-2 | C-4 | A-3

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-8 | C-3 | C-5 | A-3

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 07 AGRIBUSINESS** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-5 | C-2 | A-1 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-7 | C-2 | A-1 | A-4

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 37 ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-10 | C-2 | C-3 | A-3

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-6 | C-3 | C-5 | A-3

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-7 | K-10 | C-4 | A-3

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**SEAC 03 ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-7 | C-3 | A-4 | A-5

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

C-2 | C-3 | A-4 | A-5

*N.B. SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 44 FASHION AND TEXTILES** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-5 | K-9 | C-4 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-8 | C-4 | C-5 | A-3

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**SEAC 09 FASHION AND TEXTILES** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-4 | C-3 | A-3 | A-5

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-8 | C-3 | A-4 | A-5

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 43 HAIRDRESSING AND BEAUTY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-3 | K-9 | C-5 | A-3

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-9 | C-2 | C-4 | A-3

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 08 HAIRDRESSING AND BEAUTY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-7 | K-8 | A-4 | A-5

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-6 | K-8 | A-1 | A-5

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 36 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-8 | K-10 | C-5 | A-3

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-6 | K-9 | C-4 | A-2

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-10 | C-3 | C-4 | A-1

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**SEAC 02 HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-5 | C-3 | A-3 | A-4

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-6 | C-3 | A-2 | A-4

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**SEC 38 HOSPITALITY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-9 | K-10 | C-4 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-7 | K-10 | C-5 | A-2

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-6 | K-7 | C-3 | A-2

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 04 HOSPITALITY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-3 | K-8 | A-2 | A-5

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-3 | C-3 | A-4 | A-5

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 39 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-6 | K-10 | C-5 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-4 | K-5 | C-3 | A-2

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-8 | K-10 | C-5 | A-1

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 05 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-6 | C-3 | A-1 | A-3

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

C-1 | C-2 | A-2 | A-3

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*



**SEC 41 MEDIA LITERACY EDUCATION** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-9 | K-10 | C-4 | A-3

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-8 | K-10 | C-4 | A-2

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-5 | K-9 | K-10 | A-3

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 06 MEDIA LITERACY EDUCATION** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-8 | C-3 | A-1 | A-4

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-8 | C-3 | A-2 | A-3

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks.*

**SEC 42 RETAIL** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-7 | K-9 | C-5 | A-2

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-9 | C-2 | C-4 | A-3

***N.B.** SEC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEC Application criteria not being assessed are to be included on the front sheet of the Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*

**SEAC 01 RETAIL** | Criteria **not** to be assessed during scholastic year 2020-2021

**Unit 1 (2020 – 2023 Cohort)**

K-6 | C-3 | A-4 | A-5

**Unit 2 (2019 – 2022 Cohort)**

K-6 | K-8 | A-1 | A-2

**Unit 3 (2018 – 2021 Cohort)**

K-5 | K-7 | A-1 | A-5

***N.B.** SEAC Knowledge and Comprehension criteria not being assessed in Unit 1 and Unit 2 are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded no marks. In Unit 3, such criteria are to be included on the front sheet of the Controlled Assessment and awarded no marks. SEAC Application criteria not being assessed in Unit 1 and Unit 2 are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 3 and awarded full marks. In Unit 3, such criteria are to be included on the front sheet of Assignment 1 or 2 and awarded full marks.*