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## **Notice to Centres**

## Teachers sharing non-examination assessment material and candidates' work

The sharing of exemplar assessment material for reference purposes encourages good teaching practice. However, teachers **must** closely control and supervise the issuing of work for non-examination components produced by former candidates in a previous year and the sharing of exemplar non-examination assessment. This will ensure that candidates do not use such material for their own work.

Centres **must** keep live non-examination assessment material and candidates' work secure and confidential at all times whilst in their possession. Teaching staff **must not** share live nonexamination assessments with candidates or post candidates' work on social media.

(Live non-examination assessment is defined as any work on a topic which has been set either by an awarding body or the centre for a current or future examination series, even if the work was completed in a previous year.)

**Teachers must inform candidates that the copying of any non-examination assessment material in order to present it as their own constitutes malpractice**. Candidates **must not** submit work which is not their own. Further information may be found within **Section 9** of the JCQ publication *Instructions for conducting non-examination assessments*.

Teachers **must not** encourage candidates to assist one another when producing work.

Teachers **must** remind candidates that they **must not** make their work available to others through any medium: they **must not**, for example, post and share their work on social media (<u>http://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents</u>).

Where the specification permits some assignments to be undertaken as part of a group, reference should be made to **paragraph 4.5** of the JCQ publication *Instructions for conducting non-examination assessments* and the awarding body's specification.

Exemplar material produced by an awarding body **must** be used in accordance with the awarding body's instructions. If teachers are in any doubt, they should contact the awarding body for subject-specific advice and guidance.