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Food and Drink Policy (Exams)

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Centre Name	Nova Hreod Academy
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Key staff involved in the policy

Role	Name
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Senior leader(s)	Jannine Clapp, Justin Delap, Rachel Fox, Faye Green, Kirsty Honeysett, Penny King, Ryan Nash, Sonja Unwin, Thomas Unwin Toby Watkins, Ben Wilkinson
Head of centre	Nick Wells
Other staff members (if applicable)	Hayley Lawrence

This policy is reviewed and updated annually to ensure that food and drink in the examination room at Nova Hreod Academy is managed in accordance with current requirements and regulations.

References in this policy to ICE refer to the JCQ publication **Instructions for conducting examinations**.

Purpose of the policy

This policy confirms that Nova Hreod Academy reserves the right to exercise discretion whether to allow food and drink in the examination room, and confirms:

- the correct procedures are followed regarding food and drink in the examination room.
- appropriate arrangements are in place for the management of food and drink in the examination room.

1. Food and drink in the examination room

- Food and drink is allowed in the examination room at the discretion of the head of centre (ICE 18.2)
- Any food and drink brought into the examination room whether by the candidate or the centre must be free from packaging and all labels are removed from drink containers (ICE 18.2)
- To enable invigilators to check these items quickly and efficiently:
 - food brought into the examination room by the candidate must be free of packaging and in a transparent container.
 - drink bottles must be transparent with all labels removed which would include transparent, reusable plastic bottles (ICE 18.2)

The following arrangements are applied at Nova Hreod Academy:

- Food and drink is allowed in the examination room only where:
 - food is free from packaging and in a transparent container.
 - all labels are removed from drink containers and drink bottles are transparent

Additional centre-specific arrangements:

- Only water is allowed in the examination room.
- The water must be in a transparent plastic bottle with all labels removed.
- Your own water bottle may be used which is not plastic, however this must be transparent, with no logos or writing on
- Food is only allowed into the exam hall with prior agreement and only for medical conditions.
- All food must be free of packaging and in a transparent plastic container, with no logos or writing. The container must not make any sound or noise when opening or closing.

2. Roles and Responsibilities

The role of the exams office/officer

- Through briefings, ensure candidates are aware of the regulations, and centre-specific arrangements, relating to food and drink in the examination room.
- Ensure invigilators are trained and aware of the regulations/centre-specific arrangements relating to food and drink in the examination room.
- Escalate any issue or breach of centre-specific arrangements to the relevant senior leader for the application of internal sanction(s)
- Escalate any breach of JCQ regulations immediately to the head of centre (a breach of the regulations constitutes suspected or actual malpractice)

Additional responsibilities:

N/A

The role of the invigilator

- Be vigilant in the examination room and remain aware of incidents or emerging situations, looking out for malpractice (ICE 20.2)
- Record what has happened, and actions taken on the exam room incident log in relation to any breach of regulations/centre-specific arrangements regarding food and drink in the examination room

Additional responsibilities:

N/A

The role of the head of centre

- Report to the awarding body immediately all cases of suspected or actual malpractice in connection with the examination (ICE 24.3)

Additional responsibilities:

N/A

CHANGES 2023/2024

No changes applicable.

CENTRE-SPECIFIC CHANGES

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