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Purpose

This policy sets out our approach and process for dealing with appeals to ensure that we apply our policies, processes and procedures in a fair and consistent way for learners and Centres.

Scope

This policy applies to the delivery of qualifications; including end-point assessments (EPA) by Energy & Environment Awards.

Appeals

We will accept the following types of appeals:

- The results of assessments or the outcome of an enquiry about results.
- Decisions following an application for reasonable adjustments or special considerations.
- Decisions and actions taken following an investigation into malpractice or maladministration.
- Decisions and actions related to a sanction applied to a Centre.

Our appeals policy does not cover a complaint, a review of assessment decisions or an enquiry about a result for an Energy & Environment Awards qualification which has not already been subject to a Centre's appeals process.

You must submit an appeal application within 20 working days of receiving your original decision. Energy & Environment Awards will acknowledge receipt of all appeals within two working days.

A Centre or an Employer can submit an appeal on behalf of an individual learner or a group of learners, with the learners' written permission to do so. Alternatively, a learner may make an appeal. Centres must submit the Learner Permission Form with the Appeal Form.

The Appeal Form must include the basis of your appeal and any supporting evidence.

To submit an Appeal, complete the form below and send it to: enquiries@energyenvironmentawards.co.uk for EPA and qualification related appeals



Independent Appeals Committee

An appeal will be conducted by a panel consisting of an Energy & Environment Awards member of staff, a technical expert and an independent person who will be appointed by Energy & Environment Awards. The independent person will not be a current Energy & Environment Awards or an Energy & Utility Skills employee or an external contractor or associate of Energy & Environment Awards.

The panel members will have the appropriate competence, will not have been involved in the original decisions or processes, or at an enquiry stage (if applicable), and will not have a personal interest in the appeal outcome.

Appeals hearing

We aim to hear an appeal within 20 working days of acknowledgement of an appeal. If this is not possible, for example due to the availability of the independent person, then we will let you know the timescales and reason(s) why.

The Panel will consider whether Energy & Environment Awards has consistently and fairly applied their relevant policies, processes and procedures in light of the evidence presented, any readily available Regulator's advice on similar matters (if applicable), and any readily available qualification, including EPA precedents (if applicable).

Appeal outcomes

An Appeal Outcome Report will be sent by e-mail to you within 5 working days of the decision being made and detail the outcome, either 'appeal upheld' or 'appeal rejected'.

An outcome of 'appeal upheld' will have found that we have not consistently or fairly applied our policies, processes and procedures. The Appeal Outcome Report will detail the remedial actions to be completed and appropriate timescales for completion.

An outcome of 'appeal rejected' will have found that we have consistently and fairly applied our policies, processes and procedures and the appellant will be notified. The Panel's decision is final, and no further appeal will be accepted.



Where the appeal relates to our actions or decisions regarding a regulated qualification, including EPA, and you remain dissatisfied, you may contact our regulators. Our Regulator will require evidence that you have fully exhausted our appeals procedure.

Policy Review Arrangements

This policy is subject to a three-year review cycle, or earlier should any feedback or concern be brought to the attention of Energy & Environment Awards, to ensure it remains fit for purpose and the process and its outcomes are deliverable.



Appendix – Energy & Environment Awards Appeal and Learner Permission Form

Guidance and Instructions

Before completing this form, it is important that you have read the Energy & Environment Awards Appeals Policy above.

A Centre or an Employer who wish to submit an appeal application on behalf of a learner must obtain written permission from the learner for the appeal by completing the Learner Permission Form, which is at the end of this form. The form confirms that the learner is aware that an assessment result may be affected negatively or positively following an appeal, i.e. an assessment result downgraded from a pass to a fail or upgraded to a pass from a fail.

Completing the Form

Please provide as much information as possible regarding your appeal and complete each entry below in full:

Centre/Employer name					
and address					
Contact Name					
Contact Job Title					
Contact's Email Address					
Contact's Phone Number					
Qualification or End-point					
Assessment (EPA) Title					
Name of Learner					
Details of Appeal:					
Please describe the circumstances as fully as possible and provide a clear					
statement of the grounds for the appeal. Describe any additional evidence that you					
are attaching to the Appeal.					



Declaration		
I accept that Energy & Environment of the provided in an electronic form	•	process and store the information
this appeal and will be retai	ned for as long as tl rds may use the per	d for any purpose deemed relevant the information is required, and the ersonal data if required by law, or Regulator.
Signed:		
Full name:		
(block capitals)		
Job Title:		
Date:		
Learner Permission		
Name of Centre/Employer n	name	
Learner Name		
qualification or EPA listed in giving permission, I u	in the Appeal Form. Inderstand that the	oyer to submit an Appeal for the control of the con
Signed:		



Date:		
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Contact Details

To submit an appeal, send all forms and documentation to:

• enquiries@energyenvironmentawards.co.uk

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