

NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Head of Department

Date: 26 January 2015

Subject: Design & Technology

GCSE DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY REFORMS

DELAYED A YEAR

On Friday 16 January the DfE announced that the reform of GCSE Design & Technology will be delayed a year, therefore first teaching will be in September 2017. [The announcement](#) explains the reasons for the delay.

As a result of the delays existing specifications will continue to be available until their final assessment in the summer of 2018. We will be in contact in due course to notify you when the specifications are anticipated for release, but it is hoped that the delay will in fact give us longer to work with centres preparing and training you for successful delivery of the new qualification.

If you have any queries about this notice, please call our Customer Contact Centre on 01223 553998.