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**FOOD AND DRINK POLICY (EXAMS)**

2024/25

Adoption Date:  
Person Responsible: Mrs F Wilmot  
Review Date:

Source: The Exams Office

## Food and Drink Policy (Exams)

Centre name	The Bewdley School
Centre number	24005
Date policy first created	08/12/2024
Current policy approved by	Mrs F Wilmot
Current policy reviewed by	Mr P Willis
Date of review	
Date of next review	

## Key staff involved in the policy

Role	Name
Head of centre	Mrs C McDougall
Senior leader(s)	Mr D Chauhan Mr P Willis Mr D O'Malley
Exams officer	Ms D Bridges
Other staff (if applicable)	

This policy is reviewed and updated annually to ensure that food and drink in the examination room at The Bewdley School 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 The Bewdley School 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)

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 The Bewdley School:

Candidates may only bring water in to exam room except where there is a medical condition that necessitates a candidate bringing food into the room. All water bottles must be clear with any labels removed

Additional centre-specific arrangements: Not applicable.

## **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: Not applicable.

### **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: Not applicable.

### **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: Not applicable.