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Organisational arrangements for written examinations leading to B marks in year 6

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Decisions of the extraordinary BoG of 20 October 2020, concerning the Article 59 of the General rules related to the A and B marks (2020-09-D-13) – Immediate entry into force.

Decisions of the BIS – October 2021 regarding the document: Organisational arrangements for written examinations and B tests for the new Mathematics syllabuses S5-S7 from 2021-2022 School year (2021-09-D-49) – Immediate entry into force for S6. European Baccalaureate session 2023.

Decisions of the JTC – December 2021 - regarding the digital tool for teaching, learning and assessment in Maths and Physics.

I. Organisation of the written examinations leading to the B marks in 6th year

1. Organisation of S6 written examinations.

The examinations will be organised by the School at the end of the first semester and at the end of the second semester.

All examinations will be assessed by the teachers who teach the class and will lead to the B1 marks (1st semester B mark) and B2 marks (2nd semester B mark).

COMPULSORY SUBJECTS	Period/week subject is taught	Duration of the examination Expressed in minutes	Location
Language 1	4 p/week	180	At the end of semester
Language 2	3 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Mathematics	3 p/week	December: 45 + 90 (without support)	At the end of semester
	3p/week	June: 90 + 45 (without support)	At the end of semester
	5 p/week	December: 90 + 90 (without support)	At the end of semester
	5p/week	June: 90 + 90 (without support)	At the end of semester
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*History in Language 2	2 p/week	90 or 45+45	During the semester
*Geography in Language 2	2 p/week	90	During the semester
*Biology	2 p/week	90	During the semester
*Philosophy	2p/week	90	At the end of semester

OPTIONS	Period/week subject is taught	Duration of the examination Expressed in minutes	Location
Advanced L1	3p/week	180	At the end of semester
Advanced L2	3p/week	180	At the end of semester
Language 3	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Language 4 or ONL	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Advanced Mathematics	3p/week	45 + 45 (without support)	At the end of semester
Latin	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Ancient Greek	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
History	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Geography	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Philosophy	4p/week	180	At the end of semester
Biology	4p/week	135	At the end of semester
Physics	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Chemistry	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Economics in Language 2	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester
Art	4 p/week	225	At the end of semester
Music	4 p/week	135	At the end of semester

Each box shows the subjects in which the student took an examination in the first and second semester.

*History, Geography, Philosophy, Biology 2 periods becomes a compulsory subject if - not chosen as an option.

A set of (short) written examinations

- a) In Philosophy (2 periods) and in Mathematics Advanced course: a written examination will be organised as part of the normal school week at the end of each semester. The time allowed will be 2 consecutive teaching periods. The final B mark will be the arithmetical average of the 2 semester B marks.
- b) In Biology, History and Geography (all with 2 periods a week) either the same as above in point a) or 2 short written examinations lasting 1 teaching period will be organised as part of the normal timetable in the course of each semester.
- c) For complementary subjects, either the same as above in points a) or b) or through other assessment methods prescribed in the syllabus of the subject.
- d) Options 4 period: Students will be required to write written exams for all 4p options they have chosen.
- e) Art: For the examination of Art, 5 periods of examination (225 minutes) are required.

2. Time allocation

The time allowed for the examinations, in the first and second semester of S6 relates to the time allowed for the written Baccalaureate examination (60 minutes for Bac = 45 minutes (1 period) in s6). In other words, the number of periods for examination in s6 is equal to the number of hours for the Baccalaureate examination.

3. Authorised Material for S6 written examinations

- Schools should refer to the annex VIII of the AIREB (published on www.eursc.eu). – Also in annex of the present document.
- In other specific conditions (Swals, Specific arrangements ...) the schools should refer also to the AIREB (Article 6.4.6.8.).

II. Setting of questions and drawing up of assessment criteria

A marking scheme, should be produced and communicated to the students,

The strictest secrecy must be observed with respect to the content of the questions.

III. Absences

Concerning the absence of the pupils during an examination please referred to the Article 30 f) of the General Rules (2014-03-D-14).

IV. Calculation of the final mark

Please referred to the **Article 59 – Assessment** of the General Rules (2014-03-D-14):

Pt. 5. - In years 4-6, the semester mark shall comprise two numerical components: A mark and B mark.

The **A mark** reflects the ongoing observations of the pupil's competences (knowledge, skills and attitude) and performance gained within the subject, which are not taken into account in the B mark of the subject. The ongoing observations require the recording of the pupils' progress.

The **B mark** is based on the marks obtained in examination(s) or through other forms of assessment. It covers the pupils' competences acquired during an extensive period of time in certain subjects.

In accordance with Article 26a, the assessment system described in Article 59. 1-5. is also applicable in a distance teaching and learning situation. In such a situation, where B tests and B examinations cannot be performed on site, preference will be given to B tests and B examinations identical to the ones in situ. In addition, such B tests or B examinations can be replaced by alternative tasks for assessment.

In year 6, the B mark corresponds: for the first semester report, to the mark obtained in the first semester examination and for the second semester report, to the mark obtained in the second semester examination;

The final mark in a given subject shall reflect all the observations and results available to the teacher. It provides the basis to judge the progress and level of attainment of the pupil. It is not necessarily an arithmetical average of the semester marks (two A marks and two B marks) but it may not be lower than the lowest, or higher than the highest.

ANNEXES

Annex I: Annex VIII of the AIREB: PERMITTED MATERIAL and Article 6.4.6.8 concerning the SWALS pupils

Annex II: New Marking scale

ANNEX I

ANNEXE VIII RABE/AIREB - LISTE NON EXHAUSTIVE DU MATÉRIEL AUTORISÉ AUX ÉPREUVES ÉCRITES DU BACCALAURÉAT EUROPÉEN*

ZUGELASSENE HILFSMITTEL - PERMITTED MATERIAL - MATÉRIEL AUTORISÉ

Subject – Matière – Fach	EN	FR	DE
ANCIENT GREEK GREC ANCIEN ALT GRIECHISCH	Ancient Greek dictionary	Dictionnaire de Grec Ancien	Altgriechisches Wörterbuch
ART KUNST	All materials and equipment normally available in the art room. The use of the Internet is only permitted during the preparation period. Only USB sticks provided by the School are allowed.	Tous les matériaux et équipements généralement présents en classe d'Art. L'utilisation de l'Internet est permise seulement pendant la période de préparation. Seules les clés USB fournies par l'École sont autorisées.	Das gesamte Material und alle Ausrüstungsgegenstände, die normalerweise im Klassenraum für Kunsterziehung verfügbar sind. Ein Internet-Zugriff ist lediglich während der Vorbereitungsdauer gestattet. Nur die von der Schule zur Verfügung gestellten USB-Sticks sind zulässig.
BIOLOGY BIOLOGIE	Calculator TI Nspire in mode ‘Press-to-test’ A non-graphing and non-programmable scientific calculator Graph paper Pencils only for graph paper	Calculatrice TI Nspire en mode « Press-to-test » Une calculatrice scientifique non graphique et non programmable Papier millimétré Crayons seulement pour papier millimétré	TI Nspire Taschenrechner im Modus „Press-to-Test“ Ein wissenschaftlicher Taschenrechner ohne Grafik- und Programmierungsfunktion Millimeterpapier Bleistifte nur für Millimeterpapier
CHEMISTRY CHIMIE CHEMIE	Calculator TI Nspire in mode ‘Press-to-test’ A non-graphing and non-programmable scientific calculator	Calculatrice TI Nspire en mode « Press-to-test » Une calculatrice scientifique non graphique et non programmable	TI Nspire Taschenrechner im Modus „Press-to-Test“ Ein wissenschaftlicher Taschenrechner ohne Grafik- und Programmierungsfunktion

	Periodic Table	Tableau périodique	Periodensystem
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Subject – Matière – Fach	EN	FR	DE
ECONOMICS ÉCONOMIE WIRTSCHAFTSKUNDE	Calculator TI Nspire in mode ‘Press to test’ A non-graphing and non-programmable scientific calculator	Calculatrice TI Nspire en mode «Press to test» Une calculatrice scientifique non graphique et non programmable	TI-Nspire Taschenrechner im Modus „Press to Test“ Ein wissenschaftlicher Taschenrechner ohne Grafik- und Programmierfunktion
GEOGRAPHY GÉOGRAPHIE GEOGRAPHIE	Calculator TI Nspire in mode ‘Press to test’ A non-graphing and non-programmable scientific calculator Graph paper Pencils only for graph paper	Calculatrice TI Nspire en mode «Press to test» Une calculatrice scientifique non graphique et non programmable Papier millimétré Crayons seulement pour papier millimétré	TI-Nspire Taschenrechner im Modus „Press to Test“ Ein wissenschaftlicher Taschenrechner ohne Grafik- und Programmierfunktion Millimeterpapier Bleistifte nur für Millimeterpapier
LATIN LATEIN	Bilingual dictionary Conspectus Grammaticalis	Dictionnaire de traduction Conspectus Grammaticalis	Zweisprachiges Wörterbuch Conspectus Grammaticalis
MATHEMATICS 3 PERIODS _ PART A	Examination without technological tool Pencil for the graphs	Examen sans support technologique Crayon pour les graphiques	Prüfung ohne technologisches Hilfsmittel Bleistift für Grafiken

MATHÉMATIQUES 3 PÉRIODES _ PARTIE A			
MATHEMATIK 3 STUNDEN _ TEIL A			
MATHEMATICS 3 PERIODS _ PART B			
MATHÉMATIQUES 3 PÉRIODES _ PARTIE B	Examination with technological tool: Calculator TI-Nspire	Examen avec support technologique : Calculatrice TI-Nspire	Prüfung mit technologischem Hilfsmittel: TI-Nspire Taschenrechner
MATHEMATIK 3 STUNDEN _ TEIL B	Pencil for the graphs	Crayon pour les graphiques	Bleistift für Grafiken

Subject – Matière – Fach	EN	FR	DE
MATHEMATICS 5 PERIODS _ PART A MATHÉMATIQUES 5 PÉRIODES _ PARTIE A MATHEMATIK 5 STUNDEN _ TEIL A	Examination without technological tool Pencil for the graphs	Examen sans support technologique Crayon pour les graphiques	Prüfung ohne technologisches Hilfsmittel Bleistift für Grafiken
MATHEMATICS 5 PERIODS _ PART B MATHÉMATIQUES 5 PÉRIODES _ PARTIE B MATHEMATIK 5 STUNDEN _ TEIL B	Examination with technological tool: Calculator TI-Nspire Pencil for the graphs	Examen avec support technologique : Calculatrice TI-Nspire Crayon pour les graphiques	Prüfung mit technologischem Hilfsmittel : TI-Nspire Taschenrechner Bleistift für Grafiken
MUSIC MUSIQUE	Pencil	Crayon Baladeur MP3 /audio ; écouteurs	Bleistift

MUSIK	MP3 player/audio player; headphones		MP3-Spieler/Tonspieler; Kopfhörer
PHYSICS PHYSIQUE PHYSIK	Examination with technological tool Calculator TI-Nspire in mode ‘Press-to-test’	Examen avec support technologique Caleulatrice TI-Nspire en mode « Press-to-test »	Prüfung mit technologischem Hilfsmittel TI-Nspire Faschenrechner im Modus „Press-to-Test“

Note: Concernant la ~~Caleulatrice TI-Nspire~~ le support technologique, voir le document 2021-11-D-45 et son Mémorandum 2021-12-M-1 ainsi que la note d'information, **2022-02-LD-18**.

*La liste du matériel autorisée sera indiquée sur la page de couverture de l'examen.

ÉPREUVES N'AUTORISANT AUCUN MATERIEL SPÉCIFIQUE	EXAMINATIONS WITH NO SPECIFIC MATERIAL ALLOWED	PRÜFUNGEN OHNE BESONDERE HILFSMITTEL
HISTOIRE	HISTORY	GESCHICHTE
LANGUE I et LANGUE I APPROFONDISSEMENT	LANGUAGE I and LANGUAGE I ADVANCED	SPRACHE I und SPRACHE I VERTIEFUNG
LANGUE II et LANGUE II APPROFONDISSEMENT	LANGUAGE II and LANGUAGE II ADVANCED	SPRACHE II und SPRACHE II VERTIEFUNG
LANGUE III	LANGUAGE III	SPRACHE III
LANGUE IV	LANGUAGE IV	SPRACHE IV
ONL	ONL	ALS (ONL)
PHILOSOPHIE	PHILOSOPHY	PHILOSOPHIE

CHIMIE – TABLEAU PÉRIODIQUE

	1	Atomic number Element Relative atomic mass												2				
1	H 1.01													He 4.00				
2	Li 6.94	Be 9.01												Ne 20.18				
3	Na 22.99	Mg 24.31												Ar 39.95				
4	K 39.10	Ca 40.08	Sc 44.96	Ti 47.87	V 50.94	Cr 52.00	Mn 54.94	Fe 55.85	Co 58.93	Ni 58.69	Cu 63.55	Zn 65.38	Ga 69.72	Ge 72.63	As 74.92	Se 78.96	Br 79.90	Kr 83.90
5	Rb 85.47	Sr 87.62	Y 88.91	Zr 91.22	Nb 92.91	Mo 95.96	Tc (98)	Ru 101.07	Rh 102.91	Pd 106.42	Ag 107.87	Cd 112.41	In 114.82	Sn 118.71	Sb 121.76	Te 127.60	I 126.90	Xe 131.29
6	Cs 132.91	Ba 137.33	La 138.91	Hf 178.49	Ta 180.95	W 183.84	Re 186.21	Os 190.23	Ir 192.22	Pt 195.08	Au 196.97	Hg 200.59	Tl 204.38	Pb 207.20	Bi 208.98	Po (209)	At (210)	Rn (222)
7	Fr (223)	Ra (226)	Ac (227)	Rf (267)	Db (268)	Sg (269)	Bh (270)	Hs (269)	Mt (278)	Ds (281)	Rg (281)	Cn (285)	Uut (286)	Uup (289)	Uuh (288)	Uus (293)	Uuo (294)	
†	58 Ce 140.12	59 Pr 140.91	60 Nd 144.24	61 Pm (145)	62 Sm 150.36	63 Eu 151.96	64 Gd 157.25	65 Tb 158.93	66 Dy 162.50	67 Ho 164.93	68 Er 167.26	69 Tm 168.93	70 Yb 173.05	71 Lu 174.97				
	90 Th 232.04	91 Pa 231.04	92 U 238.03	93 Np (237)	94 Pu (244)	95 Am (243)	96 Cm (247)	97 Bk (247)	98 Cf (251)	99 Es (252)	100 Fm (257)	101 Md (258)	102 No (259)	103 Lr (262)				

Article 6.4.6.8 – AIREB

A candidate who has followed in a foreign language a course normally taught in his Language 1 (or language of the section for SWALS pupils) but not organised in this language in the School attended may use, upon request, a bilingual dictionary (Language 1 / Language of the section ↔ Language of the course) during the written examination. The dictionary will be provided by the School.

A SWALS pupil who enters the European Schools in year 6 may also have 2 examination papers, one in his Language 1, the other in the language in which the course has been followed. This request will be made at the time of registration, by the 15th of October, indicating it in the form provided in annex I.

In all cases, candidates are required to answer the examination questions in the language in which they followed the course (With the exception laid in Article 4.2.1.4).

This applies also to short and long part Pre-Baccalaureate examinations.

Translations of Pre-Baccalaureate examinations will be made by the Schools when they have a competent staff member in the language required. Should that not be the case, they will be requested to the European Baccalaureate Unit at least 20 days before the date the examination will take place.

ANNEX II (2015-01-D-23/2014-03-D-14¹)

NEW MARKING SCALE

	Grade (S1-S3)	Numerical Mark (S4-S6)	Numerical mark 1 decimal S7 preliminary mark	Numerical mark 2 decimals S7 final mark	Performance Indicator
Excellent though not flawless performance entirely corresponding to the competences required by the subject	A	10 9.0-9.5	9.0-10	9.00-10	Excellent
Very good performance almost entirely corresponding to the competences required by the subject	B	8.0-8.5	8.0-8.9	8.00-8.99	Very good
Good performance corresponding overall to the competences required by the subject	C	7.0-7.5	7.0-7.9	7.00-7.99	Good
Satisfactory performance corresponding to the competences required by the subject	D	6.0-6.5	6.0-6.9	6.00-6.99	Satisfactory
Performance corresponding to the minimum of the competences required by the subject	E	5.0-5.5	5.0-5.9	5.00-5.99	Sufficient
Weak performance almost entirely failing to meet the competences required by the subject	F	3.0-4.5	3.0-4.9	3.00-4.99	Failed (Weak)
Very weak performance entirely failing to meet the competences required by the subject	FX	0-2.5	0-2.9	0.00-2.99	Failed (Very weak)

¹ General Rules