

Special consideration is an action taken after an assessment to allow candidates who have been disadvantaged by temporary illness, injury, indisposition or adverse circumstances at the time of the assessment to demonstrate attainment.

A candidate may be eligible for special considerations if:

- Performance in an examination is affected by circumstances beyond the control of the candidate. This may include recent personal illness, accident, bereavement or examination room conditions;
- alternative assessment arrangements which were agreed in advance of the assessment proved inappropriate or inadequate;
- the application of special consideration would not mislead the end-user of the certificate.

WSET must be notified in writing within seven days of the examination date where special consideration is being requested using the Request for Special Consideration Form. Eligibility will only be considered if accompanied by supporting independent documentation, and please allow extra time for this APP to pass your request to WSET.

Where a candidate is unable to attend an examination due to recent personal illness, accident or bereavement, the APP will endeavor to transfer the candidate to an alternative examination date at no extra cost.

Failure to attend due to work commitments does not qualify for "special consideration".

Vine Lab will not charge an unused paper fee for applications where approval from WSET is granted with proper evidence to support application for transfer to another exam date.

If you need to request special consideration, please contact the Vine Lab Examinations Officer, Nikki Erpelding, nlerpelding@vinelabwine.com to submit a detailed report of the circumstances, such as the affected circumstances outlined above. Please be aware we will need 7 days to review and process such requests.

Other certifications or private classes will be handled on a case by case basis.