



Malpractice and Maladministration Policy (WSET)

Vine Lab 's aim is to protect the interests of our students and to value the integrity of WSET qualifications. We do this by complying with WSET Policies and Procedures. Non-compliance with Vine Lab and WSET Policies and Procedures generally falls into one of two categories:

Maladministration, where non-compliance is accidental rather than intentional or malpractice, where non-compliance is deliberate or the result of negligence. In this situation, Vine Lab and WSET will determine the situation following an investigation.

To report an incident, please email us as soon as possible at nlerpelding@vinelabwine.com.

Please include a detailed account of the circumstances of any suspicions/allegations. Be assured that Vine Lab will report incidents to WSET and WSET has a procedure for investigating incidents of potential malpractice.

Malpractice or maladministration may include:

- Disruptive behavior in an exam
- Plagiarism of any nature by students
- Impersonation (including forgery of signatures)
- Submitting false information to gain a qualification
- Cheating of any kind
- Failure to disclose conflict of interest

Possible sanctions applicable to students:

Written Warning- If the offence is repeated within a set period of time, then further specified sanctions will be applied.

Exam Result Declared Null and Void- A student's exam result is disallowed. This may include invalidation and recall of a certificate already issued.

Disqualification from a qualification- The student is disqualified from participating in the concerned qualification with immediate effect and further excluded from participating in any further WSET qualifications for a period of 12 months. This includes access to WSET materials.

Other sanctions: may include student disqualification and disqualification from using WSET postnominals or logos.

*Other certifications- please contact our exams officer, Nikki Erpelding, nlerpelding@vinelabwine.com