



Prohibition of AI Devices Policy

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Objective: This policy aims to uphold the integrity and fairness of examinations conducted under the Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ) regulations by prohibiting the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) devices during examination sessions.

Scope: This policy applies to all candidates, invigilators, and examination staff involved in examinations regulated by JCQ.

Policy:

1. **Definition of AI Devices:** For the purpose of this policy, AI devices include but are not limited to smartphones, smartwatches, smart glasses, wearable technology, voice-activated devices, and any other electronic devices capable of processing information and providing assistance.
2. **Prohibition of AI Devices:** Candidates are strictly prohibited from bringing any AI devices into the examination venue. This includes possession, use, or attempted use of AI devices during the entire examination period, including breaks.
3. **Search and Confiscation:** Invigilators have the authority to conduct routine checks and searches of candidates and their personal belongings before, during, and after examinations. If any AI device is found, it will be confiscated, and appropriate actions will be taken as per JCQ regulations.
4. **Penalties for Violation:** Candidates found in possession of or using AI devices during an examination may face penalties in accordance with JCQ regulations. This may include disqualification from the examination, cancellation of results, and possible reporting to the awarding bodies.
5. **Awareness and Communication:** Candidates will be informed of this policy in advance through examination guidelines, announcements, and other relevant channels. It is the responsibility of examination centers to ensure that candidates are aware of the prohibition of AI devices.
6. **Training for Invigilators:** Invigilators and examination staff will receive training on identifying AI devices and enforcing this policy. They should be vigilant during examinations to prevent any unauthorized use of technology.
7. **Appeals Process:** Candidates who believe they have been unfairly penalized under this policy have the right to follow the JCQ appeals process as outlined in the regulations.
8. **Periodic Review:** This policy will be subject to periodic review to ensure its effectiveness and relevance. Any necessary updates will be made to align with changes in technology and examination practices.

Conclusion: This policy is essential to maintain the credibility and fairness of examinations conducted under JCQ regulations. It is the responsibility of all

stakeholders, including candidates, invigilators, and examination centers, to adhere to and enforce this policy diligently.

This policy is effective as of 18/12/2025

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