



# **Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical (performance) examination requirements**

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## Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical (performance) examination

This document provides general advice to teachers, candidates and parents about the Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical (performance) examination.

Where a Year 12 ATAR course has both a written and a practical examination, students are required to sit for both of these examinations. Students who do not sit an ATAR course examination and do not have an approved sickness/misadventure application for that course will not have the grades for the pair of units completed in that year contribute to the calculation of the Western Australian Certificate of Education (WACE).

The practical (performance) examination for the Physical Education Studies ATAR course will be held during the period from **Saturday, 21 September** to **Sunday, 29 September 2024** (weekends and the public holiday included) at metropolitan locations and, if required, major country locations. Candidates must be available to complete their practical (performance) examination during this time. A *Personalised practical (performance) examination timetable* (Appendix 1) for each candidate will be made available from **Tuesday, 3 September 2024**. Examination timetables can be downloaded by schools/providers via SIRS and by students from the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority) [student portal \(https://studentportal.scsa.wa.edu.au/\)](https://studentportal.scsa.wa.edu.au/). Country students must sit their practical (performance) examination at the Authority's designated examination centre.

For the Physical Education Studies ATAR course examination, the weightings are:

- Written examination paper 70%
- Practical (performance) examination 30%

### 1. Reporting achievement

Teachers are responsible for ensuring the practical (performance) examination requirements are met and making sure candidates are adequately prepared. Teachers must ensure they are using the current syllabus. Any further advice on matters related to the syllabus or assessment will be published in the [11to12 Circulars \(https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/circular-ecircular/11to12-circulars\)](https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/circular-ecircular/11to12-circulars) on the Authority website.

Teachers should also refer to the ATAR course examination information published in Section 6 of the [WACE Manual \(https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/wace-manual\)](https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/publications/wace-manual) on the Authority website.

For all ATAR courses with a practical examination, for the pair of units, schools are required to submit to the Authority a:

- school mark out of 100 (weighted for each component)
- school mark out of 100 for the written component
- school mark out of 100 for the practical component
- grade for the completed pair of units.

## 2. Candidates with an injury, illness or disability

Candidates who have a permanent disability or condition that could prevent them demonstrating their knowledge, understanding or skills under standard examination conditions may apply to be assessed with equitable access adjustments.

Application is made through the school on the form available from the [Application and Order Forms page \(https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms\)](https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms) on the Authority website. Adjustments requested for the written examinations do not apply to the practical examinations. Requests for adjustments in the practical examinations must be stated separately in the application, and relate directly to the nature and duration of the practical examination. Applications should be received by the Authority by **Thursday, 21 March 2024**.

Candidates with a long-term injury or illness (i.e. injuries or illnesses existing at the start of Term 3) must have their school apply for them to be examined in an alternative format if the injury or illness will affect their participation in the standard practical examination. Applications can be accepted by the Authority until **4.00 pm Wednesday, 24 July 2024**.

It is important to note that:

- sickness or misadventure provisions do not apply where the illness or injury is long-term and therefore will not be granted in these instances
- failure to comply with the equitable access adjustments may jeopardise completion of the practical examination requirements of the course.

Upon the approval of an alternative format practical examination, the candidate must undertake the approved alternative examination and is not permitted to revert to participating in the standard practical performance examination.

The alternative format practical examination in Physical Education Studies will require candidates to view video footage for 20 minutes. They will then be asked a series of questions by the markers for approximately 30 minutes.

## 3. Provisions for sickness or misadventure

Consideration may be given to candidates (with the exception of non-school candidates) suffering from a temporary sickness or misadventure close to or during the examinations. The candidate may submit a *Sickness/Misadventure Application* if they believe their performance in an examination has been affected by the sickness or misadventure.

If a candidate misses or is not able to complete an examination session for health reasons, it is important that medical evidence be provided to verify the nature and severity of the illness/injury. In most cases, that will mean producing evidence from a medical professional who was consulted on the day of the examination or the day before.

Applications will be considered only if made on the correct form, available from the [Application and Order Forms page \(https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms\)](https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms) on the Authority website from September. Applications that relate to the practical component must be submitted immediately following the practical examination.

Only one form should be used to cover all practical examinations for which the application is being made. The completed form and all supporting evidence must be received by the Authority by **4.00 pm Thursday, 24 October 2024.**

#### 4. Principles of external assessment

The marking process preserves the anonymity of the candidate and their school. This requires that candidates and their work are identified only by their Western Australian student number (WASN).

Markers apply a consistent standard to assess the candidate's performance. This requires:

- a marking key for the practical (performance) examination
- attendance at a marker training meeting prior to the commencement of marking
- trial marking of work to ensure a common understanding of the marking key
- the practical (performance) examination to be marked independently by at least two markers who then reconcile any differences between them
- the Chief Marker to ensure consistency throughout the marking process by monitoring the marking process and reconciling significant differences where necessary.

#### 5. Criteria for marking

The Chief Marker sets the marking standard based strictly on the criteria outlined in the marking key. Exemplar materials are selected by the Chief Marker and used to exemplify the standards.

A numerical scale is used to assess candidate performance in terms of:

- proficiency in five individual skills
- application of individual skills, demonstration of decision-making and tactics in game/competitive performance.

#### 6. Examination procedure

On the day of the practical (performance) examination, the candidate **must** bring a signed hard copy of their *Personalised practical (performance) examination timetable* (Appendix 1) to their examination as proof of enrolment, along with photographic ID for proof of identity. An image of their *Personalised practical (performance) examination timetable* on their mobile phone **will not** be accepted as proof of enrolment.

Candidates **must not** wear or carry anything that identifies them, any school, sporting club or achievements. Failure to do so will result in a breach of examination rules. Candidates are required to wear clothing and to use equipment that is approved for competition by the sport's governing body. The candidate is responsible for their personal belongings at all times.

All personal playing and safety equipment (e.g. sticks, racquets, bats, gloves, shin pads, mouthguards, footwear, water bottles etc.) must be supplied by the candidate. Non-personal items, such as balls and shuttles will be provided. Candidates who do not have the required equipment (e.g. a mouthguard for hockey or shin pads for soccer) cannot be examined. The personal playing and safety equipment and/or clothing listed below must be provided by the candidate.

Alternative examination	No special equipment required
Australian football	Enclosed shoes or boots
Badminton	Badminton racquet, non-marking athletic shoes
Basketball	Non-marking athletic shoes
Cricket	Cricket bat, batting helmet, gloves, pads, protector and enclosed shoes or boots for a hard wicket
Hockey	Hockey stick, shin and mouth protection, footwear suitable for a synthetic playing surface
Netball	Non-marking athletic shoes
Soccer	Shin guards, enclosed shoes or boots
Tennis	Tennis racquet, enclosed shoes suitable for a hard surface
Touch football	Enclosed shoes or boots free of screw-in studs or cleats
Volleyball	Non-marking athletic shoes

Candidates who do not comply with the dress code or the rules from the sport's governing body (e.g. jewellery, piercings, long fingernails etc.) cannot be examined.

Candidates will be examined in groups. The group size will vary according to the sport. Candidates will be allocated to groups on the basis of gender and skill level. Some groups may contain mixed gender and/or skill levels. Schools will be sent the *Sport elective data entry sheet* (Appendix 2) by **Thursday, 2 May 2024**. Teachers must indicate on the *Sport elective data entry sheet* the skill level of each candidate in their nominated sport according to criteria provided by the Authority. Teachers are required to instruct students to select the most appropriate level based on their demonstrated ability. At no time are markers made aware of a candidate's level. The different ability levels are detailed below.

Level 1	Elite	Plays in national, state or state league
Level 2	High	Plays in a representative team or at high-level club competition
Level 3	General	Plays in a club competition
Level 4	Limited	Participates socially or in PES only

Teachers must ensure that the declaration on the data sheet is signed, indicating that the student has agreed to the sport and skill level in which they will be examined and that the teacher has checked that the sport and skill level selected for each student is correct. This sheet must be returned to the Authority by **Thursday, 6 June 2024**. The Authority must be provided with notification of a change to the sport and/or skill level in which candidates are to be examined by **Friday, 28 June 2024**. To check the correct sport and skill level has been received by the Authority,



schools can download report CSE204 via SIRS and candidates can check via the Authority student portal. A sample *Sport and skill selection* form is provided in Appendix 3.

On the day of the examination, candidates are required to report to a supervisor at the examination venue to register 40 minutes before their scheduled examination time. Once their attendance has been recorded, candidates will be given a coloured, numbered bib to wear for the examination, and 30 minutes prior to the scheduled starting time of the examination are directed to a supervised area to complete a warm-up. Candidates will be escorted to the examination area just before the scheduled examination time.

A candidate who has not reported to a supervisor 35 minutes after their scheduled reporting time will not be admitted to the practical (performance) examination and the examination cannot be rescheduled.

Note: for the alternative format examination, candidates must report to a supervisor 20 minutes before the scheduled start of the examination. A candidate who has not reported to a supervisor by their scheduled examination time will not be admitted to the practical (performance) examination.

There may be more than one group of candidates being examined simultaneously, in different areas of the venue. The examination will be conducted by trained markers who will mark the performance as it occurs.

Spectators are not permitted.

The practical examination session can range from 60 to 95 minutes. The examination session will include time for instructions, setting up of examination drills, movement between drills and rest periods. The actual examination performance time of individual candidates is approximately 30 minutes.

Note: examinations are conducted unless the weather makes conditions unsafe. Candidates will be notified if this is the case.

The candidate must leave the examination venue once they have completed their examination. The candidate must not have contact with candidates waiting to be examined, teachers or other parties who are seeking information about the examination until all the examinations have concluded. Failure to do so may result in a breach of examination rules.

## 7. Venues

Venues will be located in and around the Perth metropolitan area and in some major regional centres where candidate numbers make the examination viable. There will usually be one metropolitan venue per sport.

## 8. Country candidates travelling to Perth for the examination

Candidates from schools located less than 100 km from Perth are required to travel to the venue at their own expense.

Candidates from schools located more than 100 km from Perth:

- are not reimbursed for accommodation and/or meal costs
- must be accompanied by a chaperone approved by their school if required to stay overnight

- will be reimbursed for fuel up to \$200 (on production of receipts) where a candidate is close enough to drive (i.e. in the area south of Geraldton, west of Kalgoorlie and north of Albany)  
Note: the *Fuel reimbursement form* can be accessed from the [Applications and Order Forms page \(https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms\)](https://www.scsa.wa.edu.au/forms/forms) on the Authority website. The form must be lodged by **Friday, 15 November 2024**
- will have an airfare (and accommodation if required) arranged and paid for by the Department of Education (the Department) when required to fly to Perth. Note: parents/schools who pay for airfares will not be reimbursed. When travelling by air, the candidate will be met by an employee of the Department and will have appropriate transport organised by the Authority.

## 9. Practical examination support materials

Updated support booklets for all sports can be found on the [Physical Education Studies course page \(https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/syllabus-and-support-materials/health-and-physical-education/physical-education-studies\)](https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/syllabus-and-support-materials/health-and-physical-education/physical-education-studies) on the Authority website.

## 10. Breach of examination rules

An alleged breach of examination rules will be referred to the Breach of Examination Rules Committee. Further information related to examination breaches can be found on the [Rules of conduct for Year 12 ATAR course examinations page \(https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/assessment/examinations/rules-of-conduct-for-atar-course-examinations\)](https://senior-secondary.scsa.wa.edu.au/assessment/examinations/rules-of-conduct-for-atar-course-examinations) on the Authority website and in Part II of the *Year 12 Information Handbook*, published in July.

A breach of one of these rules can result in cancellation of part or all of the practical raw examination mark.

## 11. Key dates

### Thursday, 2 May 2024

Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical examination elective forms listing the sport and skill level in which the student is enrolled for the practical examination will be available to schools/providers

### Thursday, 6 June 2024

Last date for the Authority to receive completed Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical examination sport and skill level elective forms

### Thursday, 13 June 2024

Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical examination elective forms listing the sport and skill level in which the student is enrolled for the practical examination will be available to schools/providers in SIRS

### Friday, 28 June 2024

Last date for the Authority to receive any changes to Physical Education Studies ATAR course practical examination sport and skill level in which candidates are to be examined

### Thursday, 18 July 2024

Last date for withdrawal of enrolment from ATAR courses with a practical examination component

**Wednesday, 24 July 2024**

Last date for the Authority to receive completed application forms for alternative format ATAR course practical examinations

**Tuesday, 3 September 2024**

Personalised practical examination timetables can be downloaded by schools/providers via SIRS. Students can access their personalised practical examination timetables via the student portal

**Saturday, 21 September to Sunday, 29 September 2024**

Physical Education Studies ATAR course (performance) examinations

# Appendix 1: Personalised practical (performance) examination timetable



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## Personalised practical (performance) examination timetable 2024 Physical Education Studies – Sample sport

WA student number: 

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X	X	X
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X	X	X
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Candidate: Sample Candidate

School name: Sample School School code: XXXX

### Examination details

Course: Physical Education Studies - Sample sport

Date: Day, Date Month Year

Reporting time: 9:50 am

Examination time: 10:30 am

Venue: Sample Venue  
**(Re-check on the day prior to the examination)**

Reporting location: Sample Location

**These examination details are final and no changes can be made.**

Candidates, staff and visitors are required to comply with all venue specific requirements.

Candidates who are unwell must complete and submit a *Sickness/Misadventure Application Form*, with supporting evidence, to the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority).

Candidates who have not reported to a supervisor 35 minutes or more after their scheduled reporting time will not be admitted to the practical (performance) examination. The examination cannot be rescheduled.

Candidates **must not** wear or carry anything that identifies either them, any school, club or achievements. Failure to do so will result in a breach of examination rules.

Candidates must wear attire that is consistent with the playing rules of that sport's governing body. In particular, candidates **must not** wear anything that could endanger themselves or other players (e.g. jewellery, long fingernails, acrylic nails etc.). Candidates who do not comply with these requirements cannot be examined.

All personal playing and safety equipment (e.g. sticks, racquets, bats, gloves, shin pads, mouth guards, footwear, water bottles etc.) must be supplied by the candidate. Candidates who do not have the required equipment cannot be examined. See the *Physical Education Studies Practical (performance) examination requirements 2024* document for the equipment listed for each sport.

Candidates are required to sign this timetable prior to the examination. This signed timetable must be shown to the supervisor, with photographic ID, when registering at the examination venue for the practical (performance) examination. Digital copies of your timetable, e.g. on a mobile telephone, are **not** permitted.

Candidates **must not** contact the venue about the examination arrangements. Any queries must be directed to the Authority on 9273 6377.

Signature ..... Date .....

**Emergency phone contact for candidates: 0434 734 248**

Google map  
QR code:



Google map link: <https://studentportal.scsa.wa.edu.au>

Description: Sample venue and location information

## Appendix 2: Sport elective data entry sheet

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**Physical Education Studies practical examination 2024 – Sport elective data entry sheet**

Page 1

School

School code

School page 1 of 1

Student name	WA student number	Australian Football	Badminton	Basketball	Cricket	Hockey	Netball	Soccer	Tennis	Touch Football	Volleyball	Skill level				Student declaration I confirm the sport and skill level nominated for me are correct.  Student's signature
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As the Physical Education Studies teacher of the students listed above, I:  
 • declare that the sport and skill level nominated for each student is appropriate.  
 • acknowledge that no further changes to the sport and skill level can be made after **Friday, 28 June 2024**. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Skill Level: 1 – Elite; 2 – High; 3 – General; 4 – Limited

## Appendix 3: Sport and skill selection form



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### Physical Education Studies practical (performance) examination 2024 Sport and skill selection

WA student number:

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Candidate: Sample Candidate

School code: XXXX

School name: Sample school

Your school has advised the School Curriculum and Standards Authority (the Authority) that you are enrolled to sit the Physical Education Studies ATAR course examination. For the practical (performance) examination your school has provided the following details:

Sport: Sample sport

Skill level: Sample skill level

If the above details are incorrect, you must advise your school immediately. The school is responsible for advising the Authority of the error by emailing [tanya.andrew@scsa.wa.edu.au](mailto:tanya.andrew@scsa.wa.edu.au) and stating your WA student number, your name and your correct details.

A new *Confirmation of Sport and Skill Level Selected Report* will then be available for you to download from the student portal and by schools through report CSE204 available in SIRS.

Changes to the sport selected and the skill level cannot be accommodated if they are received after **Friday, 28 June 2024**.

This form is to be signed by you and your parent/carer/guardian, then given to your Physical Education Studies teacher.

Candidate's signature: ..... Date: .....

Parent/Carer/Guardian's signature: ..... Date: .....