

## WSET® Practice Exams & Feedback Program FAQ 2018-2019

### What is the WSET® Practice Exams & Feedback Program?

This is a program designed to give students an additional tool in preparing for the WSET Level 4 (Diploma) examinations. Students will receive practice examinations to be completed by certain dates. It is the student's responsibility to recreate exam conditions as closely as possible, i.e., time limit, quiet study environment, etc. The practice exams will contain detailed information on how to submit your answers.

### How do I enroll in the program?

Most students are automatically registered for the Practice Exams & Feedback Program upon their initial enrollment for specific Units of the Diploma. If you are **not** entitled to automatic registration, you may be able to buy into the program. Contact IWC for details.

### What is the cost of the program?

The cost is included in the price of all Units (except Unit 1).

### When and how will I be contacted about the WSET Practice Exams & Feedback Program?

A username and password will be e-mailed to you from the WSET if you have *not* registered for the Feedback Program previously, or if you have *not* studied a WSET course online via WSET's Online Classroom.

You will **NOT** be notified by the WSET if you participated in the Feedback Program previously or if you studied a WSET course Online via WSET's Online Classroom. In this case, continue to use the same username and password to access the Feedback Program via the Online Classroom; username and password remain unchanged.

You must log into the WSET Online Classroom at [www.wsetonlineclassroom.com](http://www.wsetonlineclassroom.com) to access the practice questions.

### What are the details of the practice exams and feedback assignments?

#### Unit 2 (Wine Production) - Multiple-choice Test

A test paper of 100 multiple-choice questions to be completed online under exam conditions. Instant feedback on submission.



**Unit 3 (Light Wines of the World) - Theory questions and tasting notes**

A series of 10 essay questions to be completed under exam conditions and returned to the WSET over a period of 10 weeks, as follows\*:

- 2 questions on topics from Element 1 (Northern and Western Europe)
- 2 questions on topics from Element 2 (Central, Southern and South-Eastern Europe)
- 2 questions on topics from Element 3 (Africa, Australasia and Asia)
- 2 questions on topics from Element 4 (The Americas)
- 2 questions on topics from the whole Unit 3 syllabus

*\*Practice essays may be submitted in whatever order is most appropriate to your studies*

A series of tasting notes on 4 lists of 3 generic wine styles (e.g., light, fruity red) should be written under exam conditions and returned to the WSET for assessment and feedback.

**Unit 4 (Spirits), Unit 5 (Sparkling), Unit 6 (Fortified) - Theory question and tasting notes**

A theory question to be completed under exam conditions and returned to the WSET for assessment and feedback.

A tasting note of 3 generic styles of samples (relative to the Unit studied) to be returned to the WSET for assessment and feedback

**How and when do I submit my work?**

For each test, students are given one month to sit and submit practice exams and assignments. Submissions should be sent using the submission tools on the WSET Online Classroom website according to the instructions for each Unit.

WSET will provide feedback immediately for Unit 2, and within 2 weeks after the submission date(s) for all other units.

Students will be required to submit their work in a format compatible with the submission software and the Online Classroom Website. All submissions will be scanned for plagiarism.



### **Submission Deadlines**

During the academic year 2017-18, the following submission dates are available. Deadlines are as of midnight GMT, so **be sure to set your time zone** in your online profile.

### **Practice Essay & Tasting Note Due Dates**

#### *Unit 2 Practice Exam*

- From August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2019 (rolling submission – access all year)

#### *Units 3,4,5,6 Practice Exams*

- **Unit 4, 5, and 6 (Fall 2018 classes)** – Sunday, October 7, 2018
- **Unit 4, 5, and 6 (Spring 2019 classes)** - Sunday, May 19, 2019
- **Unit 3:** Essay and tasting note submissions: March 17 thru May 19, 2019

### **Are these the only submission dates?**

Yes. Submissions are due by the dates shown, and you will have access to the relevant questions approximately one week after you're registered into the program. Late submissions are not accepted. No extensions to the advertised submission dates will be offered.

Once a student is registered, WSET offers no refunds for the Practice Exams & Feedback program.

### **A few final comments:**

- We advise students to submit their assignments **at least 12 hours prior to the submission deadline** to allow for high server load. No allowances will be made for students failing to do this.
- Students are responsible for ensuring that their submissions are in the required format. Submissions in other formats will be ignored.
- Students should check for a confirmation of their submission (that it was received correctly and should resubmit if necessary). No allowances will be made for submission errors that are not reported prior to the submission deadline.
- Technical issues affecting submissions should be reported to **onlineclassroom@wset.co.uk** before the submission deadline.