



# Qualifications Wales Act 2015

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## PART 4

### PRIORITY QUALIFICATIONS AND APPROVAL OF QUALIFICATIONS

#### *Surrender and withdrawal of approval*

#### **25 Surrender of approval**

- (1) An awarding body may give notice to Qualifications Wales that it wishes approval of a form of a qualification awarded by it to cease to have effect (a “surrender notice”).
- (2) A surrender notice must specify the date with the expiry of which the body wishes the approval to cease to have effect.
- (3) As soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of a surrender notice, Qualifications Wales must give notice to the awarding body (an “acknowledgement of surrender”) providing that the approval is to cease to have effect with the expiry of the date specified in the surrender notice or, if Qualifications Wales thinks appropriate, with the expiry of a different date.
- (4) If the acknowledgement of surrender specifies that the approval is to cease to have effect with the expiry of a different date from that specified in the surrender notice, the acknowledgement of surrender must give reasons for this.
- (5) The approval ceases to have effect with the expiry of the date specified in the acknowledgement of surrender.
- (6) In determining whether the approval is to cease to have effect with the expiry of the date specified in the surrender notice, or with the expiry of a different date, Qualifications Wales is to have regard to—
  - (a) the need to avoid prejudice to persons who are seeking, or might reasonably be expected to seek, to obtain the form of the qualification concerned;
  - (b) the body’s wish that approval should cease to have effect with the expiry of the date specified in the surrender notice.