



# QR Operators Briefing 2016

## QR Re-organisation 2016: Areas and Sub-areas of Study and Training

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## A Two-Phase Approach

- Phase One – Re-classification of Areas of Study and Training from 21 to 14
- Phase Two – Incorporation of Sub-areas on QR and Assignment of Sub-area(s) for “Live” QR records



# Phase One: Re-classification of Area of Study and Training

- To re-classify all published QR records (including the Registration Statuses of “Current”, “Prospective”, “Expired” and “Terminated”) from the existing classification of 21 to the new and broader 14 Areas by direct mapping.
- To be applicable to both the “Primary Area of Study and Training” and “Other Area of Study and Training”.
- To take out “Other Area of Study and Training” when it is of the same area as the “Primary Area of Study and Training”.
- The industry and branch will remain unchanged.



## Launch of Phase One

- The direct mapping of all published QR records based on the mapping table was successfully launched on 7 March 2016.
- For records that cannot directly fit under the designated new area, these irregular and exceptional cases have been dealt with manually.

### Coding System for Area of Study and Training

- The new 14 Areas of Study and Training will be sequenced in alphabetical order and each area will use a three-character coding system with an alphabet “A” in front of the numerals (e.g. A01 to A14).



## Phase Two: Incorporation of Sub-area on the QR and Assignment of Sub-area(s) for “Live” QR Records

### Features of Sub-area

- A second-tier classification under Area of Study and Training.
- Each QR record to be assigned one sub-area under “Primary Area of Study and Training” and one sub-area under “Other Area of Study and Training” (if applicable).

### Coding System for Sub-area

- A five-character coding system (e.g. A0102) will be used where the first three-character (i.e. A01) indicates the code for Area of Study and Training while the second group of the two digits (i.e. 02) indicates the code for Sub-area.



# Mapping Table for the New and Original Areas of Study and Training under QR

Original Areas of Study and Training in the QR	Area Code	New Areas of Study and Training in the QR	Relevant Industries	Sub-area Code	Sub-areas
01 Architecture, Construction and Town Planning	A01	Architecture and Town Planning	N/A	A0101	Architecture, Construction and Town Planning
				A0102	Construction Management
12 Fine Arts, Performing Arts, Design and Creative Media Art & Industry	A02	Arts, Design and Performing Arts	22 Fashion 01 Printing & Publishing	A0201	Arts Management
				A0202	Design and Other Creative Industries
				A0203	Fine Arts and Visual Arts
				A0204	Performing Arts
05 Business & Management, General	A03	Business and Management	12 Banking	A0301	Accounting, Finance and Investment
06 Business & Management in Specific Industries			20 Human Resource Management	A0302	Banking
07 Business, Global and China			13 Import & Export	A0303	Economics
09 Economics, Accountancy, Finance & Investment			16 Insurance	A0304	Estate Agency
21 Transports and Logistics			11 Logistics	A0305	General Business Management
			05 Property Management	A0306	Insurance
	14 Retail	A0307	Property and Facilities Management		
08 Computing and Information Technology	A04	Computer Science and Information Technology	08 Information & Communications Technology	A0401	Computer Science and Information Technology
10 Education, Teacher Training and Sports Science	A05	Education	N/A	A0501	Education and Teacher Education
11 Engineering and Technology 19 Other Technical Studies and Training	A06	Engineering and Technology	09 Automotive	A0601	Automotive
			06 Electrical & Mechanical Services	A0602	Bioengineering and Biotechnology
				A0603	Civil Engineering
			07 Jewellery	A0604	Electrical, Electronic and Mechanical Engineering and Services
			17 Manufacturing Technology (Tooling, Metals & Plastics)	A0605	Manufacturing Technology
				A0606	Other Engineering, Related Technology and Services
			02 Watch & Clock	A0607	Other Technical Studies and Training
				A0608	Precision Trades
				A0609	Textile and Clothing Technology
02 Arts, Humanities, Liberal Studies and General Studies	A07	Humanities	N/A	A0701	Humanities

## QR News:

[http://www.hkqr.gov.hk/HKQRPRD/web/hkqr-en/news\\_events/news/](http://www.hkqr.gov.hk/HKQRPRD/web/hkqr-en/news_events/news/)



## **Phase Two: Incorporation of QA (Quality Assurance) Status with Indication of Sub-area**

### Purpose:

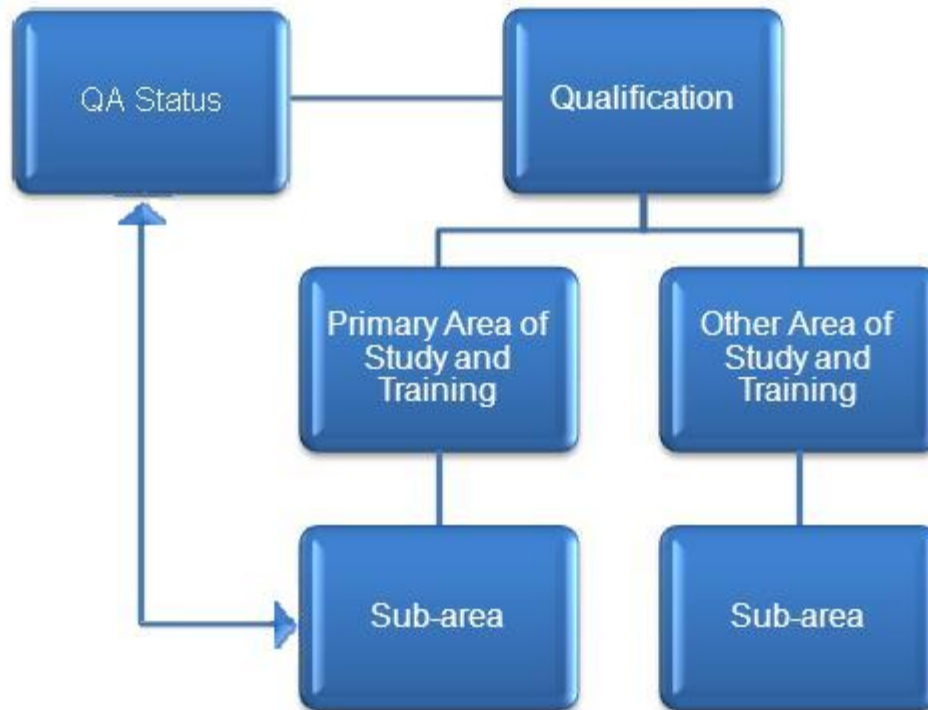
- To facilitate QR vetting and the compilation of QR statistics.

### Features:

- To incorporate a new internal data field in QR for differentiation of accreditation status (e.g. Self-accrediting, JQRC, HKCAAVQ and PAA) on an individual QR record basis with indication of sub-area(s).
- The Sub-area(s) and QA status are inter-dependent i.e. the indication of QA status should be mandatory on an individual QR record basis with indication of sub-area(s); and vice versa.



# Structure and Relationship between Qualification, Area of Study and Training, Sub-area, and QA Status







## Phase Two: Indication of QA Status and Assignment of Sub-area(s) under the New 14 Areas of Study and Training on QR:

- **Mandatory** for all existing “Live” records (i.e. “Current” and Prospective” registration statuses) under the HKCAAVQ-accredited operators (including those with PAA status) and is targeted for completion in the **2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2016**.
- **Voluntary** for all existing “Live” records held by the self-accrediting institutions, including those quality assured by JQRC, and is targeted for completion in the **4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2016**.
- **Optional** for all the QR records with “Expired” registration status.
- QFQR to provide standardised excel templates on an individual operator basis.
- For irregular and exceptional cases, the indication of “QA status” and assignment of sub-area(s) for HKCAAVQ-accredited qualifications will be decided by HKCAAVQ on a case-by-case basis.



## Phase Two: Incorporation of Sub-area on QR and Assignment of Sub-area(s) for “Live” QR Records

Case	Accreditation Type	QA Status	Primary Area of Study and Training	Sub-area under Primary Area of Study and Training	Other Area of Study and Training	Sub-area under Other Area of Study and Training
1	HKCAAVQ / PAA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	HKCAAVQ / PAA	✓	✓	✓	X	X
3	Self-accrediting or JQRC	Optional	✓	Optional	✓	Optional
4	Self-accrediting or JQRC	Optional	✓	Optional	X	X

*(Note: The indication of sub-area under Other Area of Study and Training is required if the Other Area of Study and Training is indicated.)*



## Work Plan on QR Re-organisation

No.	Action Item	Timeline
1	QFQR to provide excel templates on an individual operator basis: On a mandatory basis: HKCAAVQ-accredited operators to indicate QA status (i.e. HKCAAVQ or PAA) and assign sub-area(s).	Mid-January to Mid-April 2016
2	Launch of Phase 1 of the Re-classification of Area of Study and Training on QR.	7 March 2016
3	QR Operators Briefing 2016: QFQR to (a) Inform operators of the completion of Phase 1; and (b) Brief operators on the working procedures of Phase 2 on the indication of QA status and assignment of sub-area.	22 March 2016
4	Operators to return their excel templates to QFQR. QFQR to check the assignment of sub-areas for individual QR records and confirmation of QA status accordingly.	End-March to Mid-April 2016
5	QFQR to provide free uploading services for QA status and sub-area for the QR records under the HKCAAVQ-accredited operators (including those with PAA status) by batches.	May 2016
6	QFQR to implement Phase 2 on QA status and sub-areas under the new 14 Areas of Study and Training on the QR.	June 2016
7	QFQR to inform operators of the completion of Phase 2.	June 2016
8	On a voluntary basis and for the self-accrediting operators: To repeat action items similar to Steps 1, 4, and 5.	Q4 2016



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