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**SPECIMEN PAPERS FOR THE UPDATED CURRICULUM**

This circular is accompanying specimen papers for the updated curriculum. It also serves to give guidance on the **November 2018 Ordinary and Advanced Level** public examinations in selected learning areas under the following groupings:

- Sciences
- Technicals
- Humanities
- Commercials

Except for practical and technical subjects, the November 2018 public examinations shall not include continuous assessment.

Traditionally, practical projects/course work has been carried in practical and technical subjects. For the November 2018 examination, centres are still required to submit projects to ZIMSEC as specified in this circular.

Where there are no specimen papers provided, the examination format is as in the old curriculum.

### **ORDINARY LEVEL SUBJECTS**

<b>SUBJECT NAME</b>	<b>SUBJECT CODE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Biology	4025/3 Practical Test	All these Science practical components are compulsory for all candidates except those exempted due to special needs.
Chemistry	4024/3 Practical Test	
Combined Science	4003/3 Practical Test	
Physics	4023/3 Practical Test	
Art	4060/4 Project 30%	The project sent for Continuous Assessment in third term 2017 should be submitted for marking together with the other two practical components. Centres will be advised of submission dates in due course.
Computer Science	4021/4 Project 30%	The project sent for CA in 2017 should be submitted to ZIMSEC by 26 October 2018.
	4021/3 Practical Test	Changes were made in the syllabus so that there is only one paper instead of 4021/3A or 4021/3B.
Commercial Studies	4065/2 Project	The project sent for CA in 2017 should be submitted to ZIMSEC by end of second term 2018.

<b>SUBJECT NAME</b>	<b>SUBJECT CODE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Sociology	4045	<p>Correction on scheme of assessment in the syllabus on instructions and time allocation:</p> <p>Paper 1 (2hrs 30 minutes) There are 10 structured questions and candidates are required to answer five questions. Each question carries [20 marks].</p> <p>Paper 2 (2 hrs) Paper 2 consists of essay questions. Candidates answer 4 questions. Each question carries [25 marks]</p>
History	4044/02: Regional and International History	<p>The following structural changes should be noted in the above mentioned paper: The paper now has 20 questions instead of the previous 15.</p> <p>Question 1 is now on the Slave Trade and not on the causes of the First World War.</p>
Building Technology and Design	4052/3 Design Project 30%	The design question sent for continuous assessment should be completed by end of August 2018 and be ready for marking in October 2018 at the centre.
Technical Graphics and Design	4057	No project to be submitted to ZIMSEC. A specific circular shall be sent to centres to give further guidance.

<b>SUBJECT NAME</b>	<b>SUBJECT CODE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Agriculture	4001/3 Project 30%	The projects for these components that were sent to schools as continuous assessment must be submitted for marking by the end of second term 2018.
Design and Technology	4053/2 Design Project 50%	
Metal Technology and Design	4055/3 Design Project 20%	
Wood Technology and Design	4059/3 Design Project 20%	
Textile Technology and Design	4058/3 Project 20%	
Theatre Arts	4063/3	The syllabus, with regards to this component, states that performances for this component should be between 8-10 minutes. The examination time allocation has been changed to 5-10minutes.

## **ADVANCED LEVEL SUBJECTS**

<b>SUBJECT NAME</b>	<b>SUBJECT CODE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Art	6029/3 Project 30%	The project that was sent for Continuous Assessment in third term 2017 should be submitted for marking together with the other practical component. Centres will be advised of submission dates in due course.
Biology	6030	All these Science subjects offer a compulsory Practical Test.
Chemistry	6031	
Physics	6032	
Geography	6037	
Computer Science	6023/3 Project 30%	The projects for these components that were sent to schools as continuous assessment must be submitted to ZIMSEC for marking by 26 October 2018.
Software Engineering	6044/3 Project 30%	
Food Technology and Design	6036/3 Project 15%	
Home Management and Design	6038/3 Project 15%	
Textile Technology and Design	6069/3 Project 15%	
Design and Technology	6005/4 Design Project 20%	
Wood Technology and Design	6027/4 Design Project 20%	
Metal Technology and Design	6040/4 Design Project 20%	

SUBJECT NAME	SUBJECT CODE	NOTES
Technical Graphics and Design	6047/3 Product Design 20%	This is going to be taken under the supervision of the teacher during term 3 of Form 6, between September and November. The question papers will be sent to schools by the end of second term 2018. The details of conducting the examination will be spelt out in the examination circular that will accompany the question papers.
Theatre Arts	6026/1.  6026/2  6026/3	<p>This paper originally was allocated a time of 3 hours. Please note that the Examination time allocation has <b>been reduced to 2 hours.</b></p> <p>This was also originally allocated a time of 3 hours. This paper should <b>now be written in 2 hours 30 minutes.</b></p> <p>Candidates were originally expected to prepare a performance that would last between 25-30 minutes. This time <b>has been reduced to 10-15 minutes.</b></p>

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