
Examinations

Welsh-medium Qualifications Policy Statement

bbodance 2025-26

1. Introduction

bbodance is an international dance awarding organisation committed to inspiring excellence in dance education. We fully recognise and respect the constitutional status of the Welsh language in Wales and are committed to complying with the regulatory requirements set out by Qualifications Wales (QW), specifically Condition D9: Welsh-medium qualifications.

This policy statement outlines the extent to which bbodance makes our regulated qualifications available in Welsh, and the steps we take to promote this provision and facilitate equitable access for all learners and centres in Wales.

2. Compliance with Qualifications Wales Condition D9

Condition D9.1 - D9.2: Extent of Welsh-medium Qualifications

bbodance qualifications that are primarily delivered and formally assessed in English.

bbodance currently does not offer any regulated qualifications in their entirety through the medium of Welsh.

a) Facilitating Welsh Language Use in Wales:

While the formal examination is delivered in English, bbodance actively supports the use of Welsh by our registered teachers in Wales in the following ways:

- **Teaching and Delivery:** Registered teachers in Wales are fully permitted to deliver the practical and theoretical syllabus content in the classroom through the medium of Welsh.
- **Assessment Support (Reasonable Adjustment):** For the examination (including any required verbal interaction with the Examiner), a learner who is a Welsh speaker is entitled to have an **interpreter** present.

This provision requires the centre to notify bbodance during the examination registration process and no later than 4 weeks prior to the examination. The interpreter will facilitate clear communication between the Welsh-speaking candidate and the English-speaking examiner, ensuring the candidate can fully understand instructions and respond effectively.

b) Examination Materials:

All regulated examination components, including qualification specifications, marking schemes, and final certificates, are currently produced and provided in English.

Condition D9.3 - D9.4: Publication and Maintenance

This policy statement is published on the official bbodance website alongside our core regulatory documents and is freely accessible to all centres and users of our qualifications.

The policy will be formally reviewed on an annual basis (or following any significant regulatory change from Qualifications Wales) to ensure its ongoing appropriateness and compliance.

Condition D9.5 - D9.7: Promotion and Facilitating Access

bbodance is committed to raising awareness of and facilitating access to our qualifications for Welsh speakers under our current provision model.

Action	Compliance with D9
Direct Communication	Dedicated information regarding the support for teacher delivery in Welsh and the option for an interpreter in examinations is provided to all registered bbodance centres operating in Wales.
Online Promotion	The official bbodance website clearly advertises that teachers may deliver the syllabus in the language of their country, in this case, Welsh and the Reasonable Adjustment and Special Consideration Policy details the possibility of an interpreter provision for examinations.
Teacher Support	We have a Welsh Regional Representative, who can act if needed, as a designated point of contact to handle any Welsh-language related queries and requests for interpreter assistance.

Condition D9.8 - D9.9: Monitoring and Securing Compliance

bbodance monitors the demand for Welsh-medium qualifications in Wales to inform future decisions on qualification development and translation.

- **Demand Monitoring:**

We record data on the language preferences of learners and centres in all countries to ascertain the commercial viability and regulatory necessity of expanding our offering in the future.

- **Reporting:**

Compliance with this policy and access data will be reviewed by the bbodance Responsible Officer and reported internally as required by regulatory conditions.

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