



NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Head of Mathematics, Teachers of Mathematics and Exams Officers

Date: September 2012

Subject: GCE Mathematics (MEI)

Change to specification for GCE Mathematics (MEI) from June 2013

Two changes have been made to this specification.

There are two versions of the specification on the OCR website at www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/type/gce/maths/maths_mei/. The version labelled 'from June 2013' includes the changes below. The contents page lists which pages are different from the specification labelled 'up to January 2013'.

Unit 4756 – Further Applications of Advanced Mathematics, FP2

From the June 2013 series onwards, the 'Investigations of Curves' topic is to be removed from this unit. This topic will be examined for the final time in the January 2013 series.

From the June 2013 series onwards, there will no longer be an optional topic on this paper. Section A will continue to have three compulsory questions on the topics Polar Coordinates, Calculus, Series, Complex Numbers and Matrices. Section B will have one compulsory question on Hyperbolic Functions.

We advised centres of this in a Notice to Centres dated April 2012.

Unit 4797 – Further Pure Mathematics with Technology, FPT

This new unit is available for first examination in June 2013 and subsequent June series only. It is an A2 Further Mathematics unit and may contribute to any of the qualifications 3896, 7896, 3897, 7897. The use of a computer with appropriate software is required in the examination. Centres must inform OCR of the software they wish to use, using a form available on the OCR website at www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/type/gce/maths/maths_mei/documents/, and will receive written approval of its suitability. Centres should contact MEI (www.mei.org.uk) for advice on hardware and software, and for support in teaching the unit.

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