

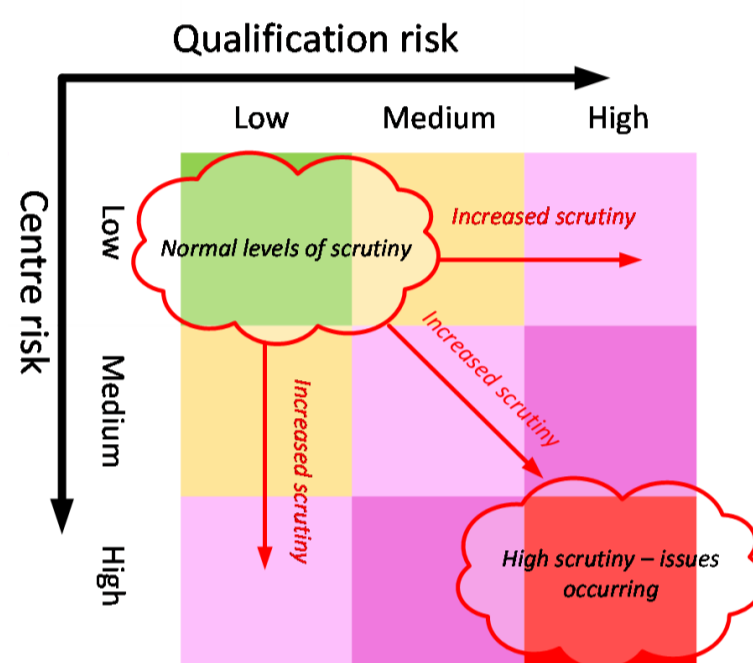


TLM CASS Strategy

The Learning Machine (TLM) is regulated by Ofqual and Qualifications Wales, and they require us to have in place arrangements for the approval of Centres delivering our qualifications and for the management and appropriate quality assurance of the delivery of those qualifications by our Centres. Where Centres make decisions about assessments, we are required to have a Centre Assessment Standards Scrutiny (CASS) strategy that is applied to our qualifications.

This strategy considers a range of risks; Centre and qualification in the main and helps us to determine appropriate levels of external quality assurance, monitoring and oversight of the delivery/moderation of our qualifications.

We have developed a risk matrix which looks like this:



You will not as a *general rule of thumb*, experience any additional burdens and keeping our approach as light-touch as possible as we move forward is certainly our plan; but our strategy does require a level of monitoring. This may include simple and quick remote checks that have worked well during the pandemic – so we'll build on those successful approaches and work with you over the next year as our CASS strategy is fully implemented.

[TLM CASS Strategy Guidance for Centres](#)

You might also notice that we use a slightly different set of words as we move forward. For example, in the past where we might have described checks of student work as moderation, we now use the term '*formative sampling*'. This will not affect our services or the processes that we use – they are merely adjustments to bring our approaches into line both with our CASS strategy and the definitions set out by our regulators.

[Request Moderation](#)



[Request Formative Sampling](#)

As ever, we will be more than happy to talk these changes through with you.

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