

## POLICY ON USE OF CALCULATORS IN EXAMS (2017)

- 1. Calculators may be taken into **SOME** of the TCE examinations conducted by the office of Tasmanian Assessment, Standards and Certification.
- 2. Calculators **must** conform to the following specifications:
  - (a) calculators shall be hand-held;
  - (b) calculators shall have a self-contained power source and may not be connected to an external source of power in the examination room or during the examination;
  - (c) calculators shall be silent in operation;
  - (d) no instructions, magnetic cards or other associated materials for use with calculators will be permitted.
  - (e) Some graphic/CAS calculators are permitted. The approved list of calculators is available on the next page.
  - (f) Calculators may be **used** to their **full capacity** in the examinations in which they have been approved. Note: this does not mean that documents can be added that allows students to input the information from a question and it gives them the working they need to get a full answer this would be classed as prepared answers and is not permissible. Wireless and bluetooth connectivity **MUST** be turned off.
- 3. Calculators shall not be used in any way which would be against the rules of the examination, including as a means of introducing subject notes or prepared answers.
- 4. It is the responsibility of candidates to ensure that calculators they wish to use are of acceptable types.
- 5. It is the responsibility of candidates to ensure that calculators work correctly. Calculators may not be borrowed within the examination room. Their failure to work correctly (or at all), and their running out of power, will not be taken into consideration by TASC
- 6. Calculator memories do not have to be cleared before entry into an examination.
- 7. Violations of paragraphs 2 and 3 above will be treated by TASC in the same way as attempts to bring unauthorised written material into the examination room.

## LIST OF APPROVED GRAPHICS/CAS CALCULATORS FOR 2017

The calculators listed below meet the requirements for the TCE Mathematics courses.

These are the calculators which students will be permitted to use in the external examinations for TCE **Mathematics** subjects for the year. This list is likely to be amended over time to also include other brands, provided the proposed calculators have similar capabilities.

Casio:	lastek:
fx-7400G	JASCG1 Graphing
fx-7400G Plus	<i>y</i> 1000 1 0.100 1 m/g
fx-7700GH	Texas Instruments:
fx-9700GH	TI-80
fx-9750G Plus	TI-81
cfx-9800G	TI-82
cfx-9850G	TI-83
cfx-9850G Plus	TI-83Plus
cfx-9850GB	TI-85
cfx-9850GB Plus-WE	TI-86
cfx-9850GC Plus	TI-83+ Silver Edition
fx-9860GAU	TI-84Plus
cfx-9950G	TI-84+ Silver Edition
fx-9860G AU Plus	TI89
ClassPad 330	TI-Nspire CAS
ClassPad 330-A	TI-Nspire CX CAS
ClassPad 330-Plus	
fx82AU Plus II	Jasco:
	IN-82SC
FX100AU PLUS	
fx-cp400 CAS	
FX-CG20AU	
Hewlett Packard:	
HP38G	
HP39G	
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Sharp:	
EL-9200	
EL-9300	
EL-9400	
EL-9600	
EL-9650	
EL-9900	

## SUBJECT LIST OF CALCULATORS

The below list details for each subject where calculators have or have not been approved for use in the external examinations.

The permissible calculators fall into two categories:
Basic or Scientific (any brand)
Graphics/CAS (see approved list)

Subject	Calculator Approved for use
Accounting	Basic and/or Scientific only
Ancient Civilisations	No calculators allowed
Australia in Asia and the Pacific	No calculators allowed
Biology	Basic and/or Scientific only
Business Studies	Basic and/or Scientific only
Chinese	No calculators allowed
Chemistry	Basic and/or Scientific only
Computer Graphics and Design	Basic and/or Scientific only
Computer Science	Basic and/or Scientific only
Drama	No calculators allowed
Economics	Basic and/or Scientific only
Electronics	Basic and/or Scientific only
English 3	No calculators allowed
English Literature	No calculators allowed
English as an Additional Language or Dialect	No calculators allowed
Environmental Science and Society	Basic and/or Scientific only
Food and Nutrition	
	Basic and/or Scientific only
French	No calculators allowed
Geography	Basic and/or Scientific only
German	No calculators allowed
Health Studies	Basic and/or Scientific only
Housing and Design	Basic and/or Scientific only
Modern History	No calculators allowed
Information Systems and Digital Technologies	No calculators allowed
Italian	No calculators allowed
Japanese	No calculators allowed
Legal Studies	No calculators allowed
General Mathematics	Any of the approved calculators
Mathematics Methods Foundation – Part 1 of the paper	No calculators allowed
Mathematics Methods Foundation – Part 2 of the paper	Any of the approved calculators
Mathematics Methods – Part 1 of the paper	No calculators allowed
Mathematics Methods – Part 2 of the paper	Any of the approved calculators
Mathematics Specialised	Any of the approved calculators
Media Production	No calculators allowed
Music	No calculators allowed
Outdoor Leadership	No calculators allowed
Philosophy	No calculators allowed
Physics	Basic and/or Scientific only
Physical Sciences	Basic and/or Scientific only
Psychology	No calculators allowed
Studies of Religion	No calculators allowed
Sociology	No calculators allowed
Sport Science	Basic and/or Scientific only
Technical Graphics	Basic and/or Scientific only
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