

ACHIEVING THE TCE EVERYDAY ADULT STANDARD: USE OF COMPUTERS AND THE INTERNET



TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2021 TO 2023

At the end of Year 12, students (currently in Year 10, 11 and 12 in 2021), will have an additional way to achieve the Everyday Adult Standard – Use of Computers and the Internet.

There will be three ways to achieve this standard:

- Gaining a *Satisfactory Achievement* (or higher) in one of the 16 TASC courses that have the Computers and Internet Standard included in the course.
- Having passed the Use of Computers and the Internet Standard safety net test.
- **NEW** – Receiving recognition of use of computers and the internet as part of the achievement of the other three TCE standards:
 - Participation and Achievement Standard – 120 credit points (with at least 80 credit points in studies at Level 2 or higher).
 - Everyday Adult Standard: Reading, Writing and Communication (in English)
 - Everyday Adult Standard: Mathematics.

How will the **NEW** recognition happen?

This new temporary process starts this year and applies until the current Computers and Internet Standard is replaced with a Digital Literacy Standard, in line with the national [Digital Literacies Skills Framework](#).

Your school will be asked to report to TASC that you have had the opportunity to learn the required skills and knowledge, and that they endorse you have met the standard through your two years of learning.

Then, if you meet all the other Tasmanian Certificate of Education (TCE) standards, you will also achieve the Everyday Adult Standard – Use of Computers and the Internet.

Key points to note:

- The standard of skills and knowledge in computers and the internet has not changed.
- Use of Computers and the Internet (ICT) safety net tests won't be needed for current school students who are progressing towards attaining the three standards outlined above. Tasmanians who have left school and are working towards attaining the TCE will continue to need to sit a safety net test to show they meet the Computers and Internet standard.
- The transitional arrangements will only apply until an updated Digital Literacy Standard is introduced as part of the TCE, which is expected to be in 2024. Digital literacy will continue to be fundamental element of the TCE as essential everyday adult skills for today's world.

Contacts:

- Your school can advise you if you are on track to attain the TCE.
- If you have a TASC enquiry, phone (03) 6165 6000, or email your enquiry at www.tasc.tas.gov.au/contact/