



Conflict of Interest (RSL) Policy

Effective Date: 01 January 2022

1. Introduction

Platinum Academy of Performing Arts (“Platinum Academy”, “we”, “us” or “our”) offers qualifications regulated by RSL and we operate as an approved RSL centre. We have devised this policy along with the RSL’s Conflict for Interest Policy and will make amendments which directly impact centres. RSL requires centres approved to deliver its qualifications to declare any and all conflicts of interest pertaining to the assessment of the qualifications.

If you have any comments or questions about this Conflict of Interest (RSL) Policy, feel free to contact us at admin@platinumacademy.co.uk

2. Purpose of this Policy

This policy is designed to ensure assessment and internal quality assurance is free from conflicts of interest that could adversely affect judgement or objectivity and advantage/disadvantage a student.

Possible examples of Conflict of Interest in relation to the delivery of RSL qualifications:

- Teachers, Assessors or Internal Quality Assurers participating in the appointment, promotion, supervision or evaluation of a person with whom the person, has close or familial ties
- Teachers, Assessors or Internal Quality Assurers having a close or familial relationship with a student, or student’s family whilst being involved in decisions about the outcome of their qualification

This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.

3. Managing and Declaring Conflict of Interest

- It is the responsibility of all staff at Platinum Academy to declare all conflicts of interest. Any undeclared conflict of interest and instances where assessment has taken place where conflicts of interests exist may be investigated.
- Any and all conflict of interest pertaining to the assessment of qualifications will be declared to RSL. Each individual involved in the assessment process is responsible for declaring a conflict of interest. Where Platinum Academy is able to mitigate against a declared conflict of interest, the mitigation will be included in the declaration.

- In instances where Platinum Academy cannot mitigate against a conflict of interest (for example, where the only qualified assessor and internal verifier available at a centre are related) the unresolved conflict will be declared to RSL to enable RSL to make arrangements to mitigate through the external quality assurance processes.
- Platinum Academy will be directly responsible for submitting the declaration of conflict of interest to RSL.

4. Updates to this Policy

We may update this Conflict of Interest (RSL) Policy from time to time. When we make changes, we'll update the 'Effective Date' at the top of the Policy. We encourage you to check back periodically to review this Policy for any changes since your last visit.

Appendix 1 - Template Example of Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Name of RSL Approved Centre	Platinum Academy of Performing Arts
Course Leader / Exams Officer	Alex Forryan

Date	Nature of conflict of interest	Mitigation	RSL response including further mitigation, where necessary
Example 1	IV A normally internally verifies units XYZ. However, IV A's daughter is in the class.	Internal verification will be conducted by IV B for this unit.	
Example 2	IV A normally internally verifies units XYZ. However, IV A's daughter is in the class. The centre has no other internal verifier.	This is an unavoidable conflict of interest. IV A will IV the unit but will not include the work of their daughter in the IV sample.	RSL will ensure that the work of the candidate involved in this declared conflict of interest is sampled.