

Maths GCSE

Summary

This qualification will show you the surprising applications of maths in everyday life as you explore topics like algebra, geometry and statistics. From basic arithmetic to complex algebraic equations, you will explore and solve a wide range of problems, developing your problem-solving and analytical skills. This is a tiered qualification - both Foundation and Higher tiers are included so that you can choose what's best for you.

Exams usually take place in June. Before making your application, please speak to PET or your education department to find out if your prison can hold GCSE or IGCSE exams. Alternatively, you might be able to take the exams on Release on Temporary Licence (ROTL) or after your release.

Course Provider	National Extension College (NEC) Woolpack House, 70 High Street, Sawston CB22 3HJ 01223 400200 www.nec.ac.uk
Qualification Accreditation	Pearson Edexcel
Academic level	Level 2
PET entry requirements	Level 2 English
Format of course material	Paper-based
Structure of course	<p>The course will cover the following content headings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Number 2 Algebra 3 Ratio, proportion and rates of change 4 Geometry and measures 5 Probability 6 Statistics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two tiers are available: Foundation and Higher (content is defined for each tier). • Each student is permitted to take assessments in either the Foundation tier or Higher tier.
Assignments	10 written assignments
Exam	3 invigilated, closed book exams (90 minutes each)

Study hours	150
Course expiry date	18 months
Prison support requirements	Facilitate tutor support via email. This often requires scanning learner assignments and email them to their tutor.
Supplier tutor's support	Yes - accessed with prison staff support
Certificate	On successful completion of the exam, you will receive a GCSE certificate.
Progress	There are range of possible progression options including A-Levels or an Open University Access course. Call our free Advice Line on 0800 048 7520 on Tuesdays (10-12pm and 2-4pm) and Thursdays (10am-12pm and 2-6pm).