



GCSE Physics - Summer 2023

Unit Level Uniform and Raw Mark Boundaries												
Unit	GPY1				GPY2				GPY3			
Tier	Foundation		Higher		Foundation		Higher		Foundation		Higher	
Boundary	Raw	UMS	Raw	UMS	Raw	UMS	Raw	UMS	Raw	UMS	Raw	UMS
Max	80	109	100	150	80	109	100	150	100	72	100	100
a			79	120			79	120			74	80
b			65	110			63	110			60	73
c*	48	101	51	101	42	101	47	101	35	67	46	67
c	38	90	37	90	33	90	32	90	30	60	33	60
d	30	75	23	75	25	75	17	75	26	50	20	50
e	22	60	16	68	18	60	9	68	22	40	13	45
f	15	45			11	45			18	30		
g	8	30			4	30			14	20		

Subject Level Uniform Mark Boundaries		
Grading Route	Standard Grading	Alternative Grading
Max	400	300
A*	356	267
A	320	240
B	292	219
C*	268	201
C	240	180
D	200	150
E	160	120
F	120	90
G	80	60

Unit Level UMS boundaries are stable for the lifetime of the specification and do not change. However, the Raw Mark boundaries are set independently in each examination series.

If you are planning to use these Raw Mark boundaries to estimate future performance and grades, they must be used with caution, as they change each series.

Candidates cashing-in for the first time in Summer 2023 will be graded on all their performance across all units with the Standard Grading subject level boundaries applied.

Alternative Grading is only applicable to candidates retaking the qualification having previously cashed-in during the 2021/22 academic year.

Alternative Grading candidates will be awarded the best grade based on their performance across all units or in mandatory units only GPY1 and GPY2.

Subject Level Uniform Mark boundaries (grades A to G) carry the same % weighting across both Grading Routes: i.e. A 80%, B 73%, C* 67%, C 60%, D 50%, E 40%, F 30% and G 20%.

A* is only awarded at subject level and the A* boundary is set independently in each examination series. The A* UMS % weighting will be applied equally to both Grading Routes.