

Use of Welsh and Irish (Gaeilge) Languages in IBSL Qualifications

In England, IBSL will provide qualification specification and assessment materials that are expressed in English and British Sign Language.

In Wales, IBSL will provide qualification specification and assessment materials that are expressed in English and British Sign Language. At its discretion and upon request, it may produce assessment materials in Welsh. When deciding if assessment materials are to be produced in Welsh as well as English and British Sign Language, IBSL will need to take into consideration if mechanisms are available to ensure that:

- assessments carried out in the different languages are comparable
- moderation of assessment carried out in the different languages are comparable

In Northern Ireland, IBSL will provide qualification specification and assessment materials that are expressed in English and British Sign Language (or upon request, in Irish Sign Language). At its discretion and upon request, it may produce assessment materials in Gaeilge. When deciding if assessment materials are to be produced in Gaeilge as well as English and British/Irish Sign Language, IBSL will need to take into consideration if mechanisms are available to ensure that:

- assessments carried out in the different languages are comparable
- moderation of assessment carried out in the different languages are comparable

Written Assessments

Where a centre is presenting assessments in written format from a cohort of students where all the work has been completed entirely in Welsh or Gaeilge, IBSL will make an attempt to make a translator available to work alongside the assessor or moderator of the written assessments.