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## FOREWORD

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We welcome you to join the **Australian Guild of Music and Speech Ltd (AGMS)** family. Founded in 1969, the **AGMS** is a proud Australian, not-for-profit, **education and examination body**.

**“ Empowering your success  
is our passion ”**

The **AGMS** is driven to provide engaging, relevant, high-quality frameworks, to mould solid foundations for the next generations of musicians and speech & drama performers and educators.

The **AGMS** provides examinations for music and speech & drama students from introductory to advanced levels, including Certificate (C.Mus.AGMS), Associate (A.Mus.AGMS), Licentiate (L.Mus.AGMS) and Fellowship (F.Mus.AGMS) diplomas.

Below gives an insight into the values we share with our members:

<b>Music/Speech.</b>	We champion the inherent value of all types of music/speech and its enormous contribution to the emotional, intellectual, spiritual, and physical development and self-esteem of individuals and communities. We leverage our position to spread the love of music/speech and drama.
<b>Kindness.</b>	Our approach is student-centric and, at all times, we are positive, encouraging, friendly and supportive. We assist the learner to recognise and celebrate their achievements.
<b>Service.</b>	We understand the needs of teachers and respond efficiently and flexibly. Our systems and processes are simple and make exam organisation and reporting easy.
<b>Integrity.</b>	Our examination process is academically sound, impartial, transparent and delivers assessments which are consistent with international standards.
<b>Excellence.</b>	We strive for best practice in examinations and only partner with the best examiners and educators.

Via an **Academic Advisory Committee**, the **AGMS** has formulated this syllabus.

We look forward to growing with you on your pathway of excellence.

Yours in the arts,

**The AGMS Board of Directors.**

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## **SYLLABUS & EXAMINATION POLICY OVERVIEW**

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## COURSE RATIONALE

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**For performers** – the aim of the course is to give a guided approach to develop musical performance skills from beginner level through to advanced virtuosic artist.

**For music-teachers** – a stream to develop music-teaching skills, which instils a comprehensive, high-quality pedagogical framework for educators to inspire the next generations of musicians from beginners to advanced levels.

This syllabus can be used for students to enter at any stage. It isn't necessary to start from the entry grade and can jump and commence or continue at a level to match your technical abilities and current musical development. Your music teacher would be the best guide to select an appropriate grade to start.

The participant will develop an understanding of the fundamentals of music, at various stages of the course, including technique, posture, notation, rhythm, pitch, melody, expression, tone colour/timbre, style, harmony, creativity, and form.

Possible pathways after successful completion includes:

- for high school students, as an entry into tertiary music study or further training in a broad spectrum of music related careers.
- Offers student opportunities for personal development and encourages them to make an ongoing contribution to the culture of their community through participation in life-long music making.
- Becoming a music teacher.
- Becoming a creative artist in composing and/or arranging music.
- Becoming a musician for live or recorded performance.

## LEARNING GOALS

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Each step, grade, certificate, and diploma have different learning goals and requirements depending on the level. The aim and objective, ideas and concepts that underpins this course overall, is to create a well-rounded, balanced musician.

For **practical music**

- For **step 1 to 3, grade 1 to grade 8**, the learning objective includes the ability to display, fluent technical work, a musical performance of works on the instrument which consists of a solid rhythm, tone, musicianship, presenting an unseen reading test at sight and/or unheard listening test with general knowledge of works presented from the notated score.
- For **certificate, associate, licentiate and fellowship**, the learning objectives includes the ability to display an advanced musical performance on the instrument with total control of all elements of musical performance, clear introduction to pieces as you would expect in a concert and a thoroughly well-researched written programme notes and analysis of the works presented.

**For teacher of music**

- For **certificate, associate, licentiate**, the learning objectives includes an insight into a comprehensive understanding of setting up a music teaching studio, a thorough pedagogical approach, including an understanding and knowledge of teaching systems, technique, repertoire, and student development and a structured analysis of preparing students for beginners through to advanced level of music examination.

## **EXAMINATIONS AVAILABLE**

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The AGMS offers various syllabi and examination styles for each instrument/voice:


- **Comprehensive** (included in this syllabus) includes:
  - **Technical work** (Please see relevant grade in this syllabus for full details).
  - **Pieces** (number of pieces varies according to grade). Please see relevant grade for full details.
  - **Supporting tests**: aural, sight reading, and general knowledge. Please see relevant grade for full details.
  - Examinations are offered **face-to-face** (depending on examiner availability), **online live**, and **recorded**.
  - For recorded examinations, please request information regarding technical work and subsections prior to the examination. All recorded examinations must be recorded in **one take**, no editing allowed.
- **Performance** (repertoire only) – Please see ‘Performance – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details. Includes:
  - **Pieces** (number of pieces varies according to grade). Please see relevant grade in ‘Performance – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details.
  - **Programme Notes** – Please see relevant grade in ‘Performance – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details.
  - All recorded examinations must be recorded in **one take**.
  - Candidates announce each piece and **present as for a performance**.
  - Examinations are offered **face-to-face** (depending on examiner availability), **online live**, and **recorded**, no editing allowed.
- **Recording Artist** (repertoire only) – Please see ‘Recording Artist – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details. Includes:
  - Examinations are offered as **video recorded only**.
  - **3 Pieces**. Each recorded and **uploaded separately**.
  - Videos are to be recorded within 12 months of each other and uploaded prior to exam entry.
- **Adult Musician** – Please see ‘Adult Musician – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details. Includes:
  - **Technical work**: Based on keys of pieces performed.
  - **Pieces** (number of pieces varies according to grade). Please see relevant grade in ‘Adult Musician – Any Instrument’ syllabus for full details.
  - **Programme Notes** – required for CMus, AMus and LMus only
  - Examinations are offered **face-to-face** (depending on examiner availability), **online live**, and **recorded**.
  - **Recorded exams** may be all in one take, or 3 separate videos with each piece preceded by its relevant technical work, no editing allowed.

Below outlines the objectives for the **practical music** and **teacher of music** subjects.

### Practical Music

The **practical music** subjects outlined in this syllabus are levelled as follows:

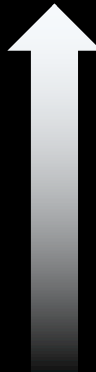
CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	LEVEL NAME
<b>Diploma</b>	Virtuosic and professional concert level of performance – total mastery of your instrument	F.Mus.AGMS (Fellowship of Music)
		L.Mus.AGMS (Licentiate of Music)
		A.Mus.AGMS (Associate of Music)
<b>Certificate</b>	Advanced concert level of performance	C.Mus.AGMS (Certificate of Music)
<b>Grades</b>	Advanced level of performance and technique	Grade Eight (Proficiency Certificate)
		Grade Seven
		Grade Six
	Intermediate level of performance and technique	Grade Five
		Grade Four
	Developing level of performance and technique	Grade Three
		Grade Two
		Grade One
<b>Steps</b>	Beginning elements to set the foundations of success in your instrument	Step Three (Preliminary)
		Step Two (Elementary)
		Step One (Preparatory)



### Teacher of Music

All **teacher of music** exams includes a practical and written/theory component as part of the assessment. The **teacher of music** examinations is levelled as follows:

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	LEVEL NAME
<b>Diploma</b>	A comprehensive, high-quality pedagogical framework for educators to inspire the next generations of musicians at an advanced level.	L.T.Mus.AGMS (Licentiate – Teacher of Music)
		A.T.Mus.AGMS (Associate – Teacher of Music)
<b>Certificate</b>	A comprehensive, high-quality pedagogical framework for educators to mould solid foundations for the next generations of musicians at a developing level.	C.T.Mus.AGMS (Certificate – Teacher of Music)





## OUTLINE OF ASSESSMENT

The syllabus contains an outline of all assessment items and is split into different levels/grades presented later in this document.

For most exams, a **condition for examination** is **only the examiner and candidate** to be present in the examination room.

The only exception(s) to above, is as follows:

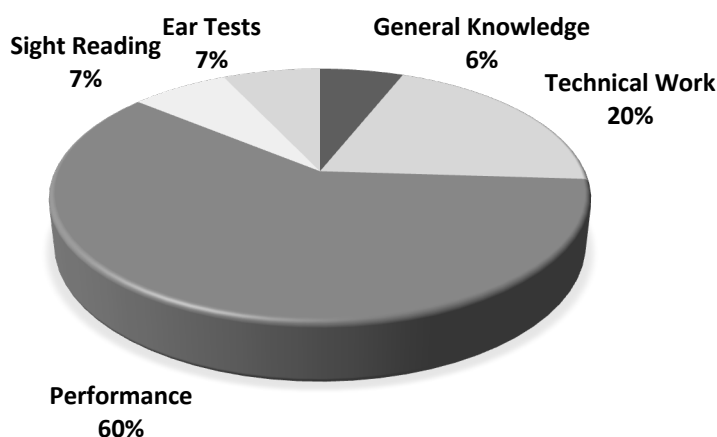
- A person is required to turn pages for the performer.
- An accompanist is used.
- A candidate is presenting a duet or ensemble as part of their examination.
- The candidate is presenting a C.Mus.AGMS, A.Mus.AGMS, L.Mus.AGMS or F.Mus.AGMS to a live audience.
- The candidate has special needs and has a carer to help.

In all practical examinations the **AGMS** reserves the right to record video and/or audio at any time for examination and/or moderation purposes.

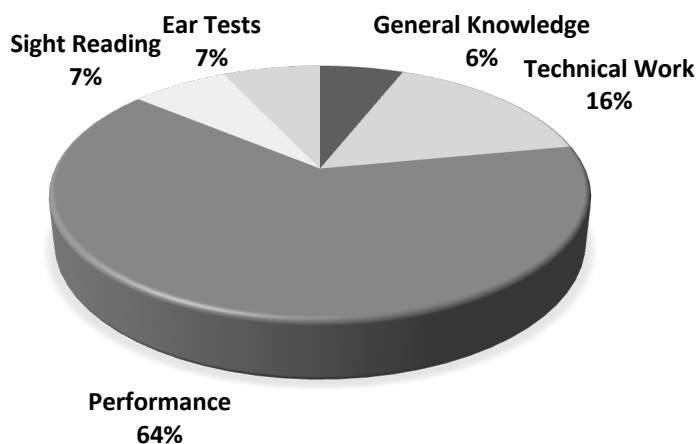
### PRACTICAL MUSIC (Weighting)

Following outlines, the marks (weighting) for each level.

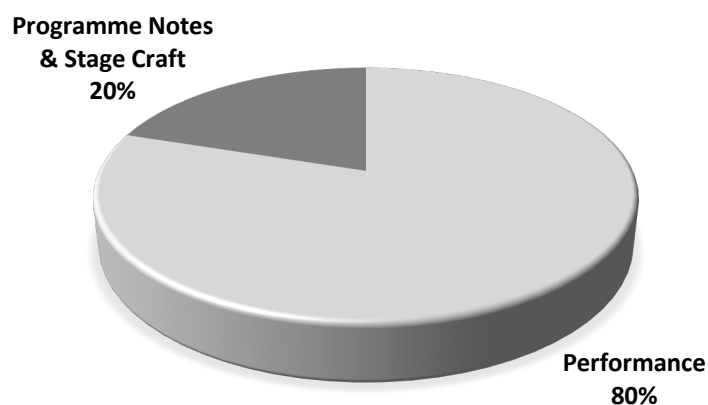
#### Step 1 to Step 3, Grade 1 to Grade 5 Marks (Weighting)



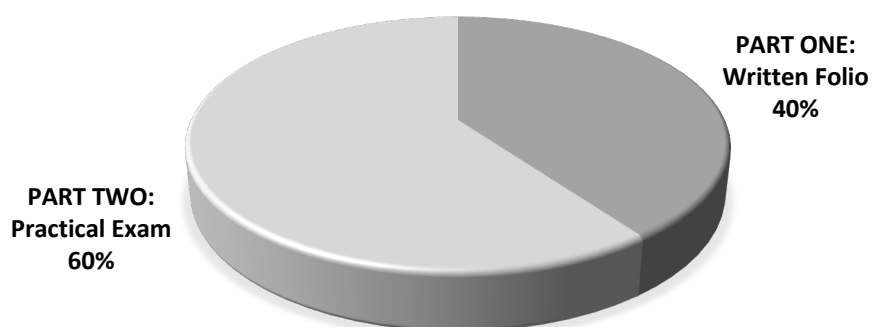
SECTION		MARKS (WEIGHTING)
Technical Work		20
Performance	List A (20 Marks)	60
	List B (20 Marks)	
	List C (20 Marks)	
Sight Reading		7
Ear Tests		7
General Knowledge		6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

**Grade 6 to Grade 8 Marks (Weighting)**

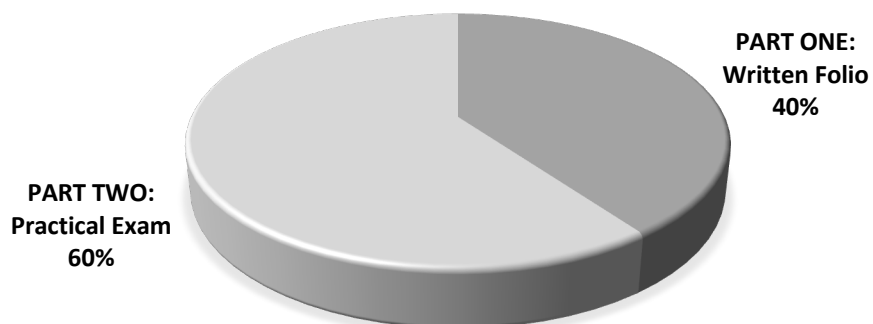
SECTION		MARKS (WEIGHTING)
Technical Work		16
Performance	List A (16 Marks)	64
	List B (16 Marks)	
	List C (16 Marks)	
	List D (16 Marks)	
Sight Reading		7
Ear Tests		7
General Knowledge		6
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

**C.Mus.AGMS, A.Mus.AGMS, L.Mus.AGMS Marks (Weighting)**

SECTION		MARKS (WEIGHTING)
Performance	All pieces	80
Programme Notes & Stage Craft		20
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>

**TEACHER OF MUSIC (Weighting)****C.T.Mus.AGMS Marks (Weighting)**

SECTION		MARKS (WEIGHTING)
PART ONE: Written Folio	Section A (10 Marks)	40
	Section B (10 Marks)	
	Section C (20 Marks)	
PART TWO: Practical Exam	Section A (20 Marks)	60
	Section B (25 Marks)	
	Section C (15 Marks)	
TOTAL		100

**A.T.Mus.AGMS & L.T.Mus.AGMS Marks (Weighting)**

SECTION		MARKS (WEIGHTING)
PART ONE: Written Folio	Section A (4 Marks)	40
	Section B (8 Marks)	
	Section C (8 Marks)	
	Section D (20 Marks)	
PART TWO: Practical Exam	Section A (25 Marks)	60
	Section B (20 Marks)	
	Section C (15 Marks)	
TOTAL		100

### **Authentication strategies**

Each candidate needs to present either live in person or live online for the examiner.

Candidates presenting for videos exams should introduce themselves or have the teacher introduce the candidate by name at the commencement of the video.

The candidate's face should be visible to the examiner at the beginning of the video examination.

## MARKING SCHEME

The following outlines the marking scheme used for steps, grades, certificates, through to diploma levels as specified in this syllabus.

### Step 1 to Step 3, Grade 1 to Grade 5 Marking Scheme

Marking Band	A	B	C	NGS	
Marking Range	20-17	16-15	14-13	12-1	0
<b>Technical Work</b> (20 Marks)	Accurate technical work at tempo for grade, with good technical skills, including posture and an awareness of the technique. Performed promptly and fluently with good tone.	Technical work is mostly correct with good technical skills at a good tempo for the level. Performed fluently. Showing an awareness of technique required and good developing tone.	Technical work generally well known. Performed at a steady tempo, showing an awareness of the technical skills required.	Some technical work known. Technical skills developing but not yet fluent in performance. Tempo may be slow. Some areas not well prepared.	Technical work not prepared at all.
Marking Range	20-17	16-15	14-13	12-1	0
<b>Pieces</b> <b>List A:</b> <b>List B:</b> <b>List C:</b> (20 Marks Each)	Notation, rhythm, and intonation accurate, technical control of the instrument with no hesitations.	Notation, rhythm, and intonation mostly correct with good technical control of the instrument.	Generally correct notation and rhythm and intonation.	Notation and rhythm may be developing but not yet fluent.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Fluent, with clarity of presentation.	Good sense of rhythm, with few mistakes	The sense of rhythm is sustainable with generally stable pulse.	Rhythm not yet secure with a loss of fluency.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Convincing tempo and feel for the style presented.	Reasonable tempo and feel for the style of the music presented.	Tempo reasonable, without losing the sense of style of music presented.	Tempo not secure, losing fluency and sense of style.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Expressive playing, phrasing, use of rubato as appropriate and an overall awareness of the structure of the music.	Phrasing generally well controlled, with attention to details of expressiveness.	Some attention to phrasing, showing an awareness of the musical shape of the music	Sense of style appropriate for the structure and era of the music not recognised sufficiently well.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Dynamics well controlled, with sensitive use appropriate to the style presented.	Good tonal awareness, and some attention to the details of the dynamics appropriate to the style.	Adequate attention to dynamics.	Dynamics not observed, resulting in a loss of style overall. Dynamics inappropriate for stylistic security.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
Marking Range	7-6	5	4	3-1	0
<b>Sight Reading</b> (7 Marks)	Correct with good control of notation and rhythm at an appropriate tempo.	Quite secure with a few insecurities but overall showing an understanding of the music.	At a slow tempo with some notational insecurities and most rhythmic features correct.	Several notational and rhythmic insecurities that detracts from the overall performance. Overall, poorly executed.	Not attempted.
Marking Range	7-6	5	4	3-1	0
<b>Ear Tests</b> (7 Marks)	All correct, or only one error.	One to two error only.	Mostly correct with up to three incorrect.	Poorly executed with several incorrect.	Not attempted or all incorrect.
Marking Range	6	5	4	6-1	0
<b>General Knowledge</b> (6 Marks)	All correct.	Mostly correct with showing an understanding of the music.	Several correct, but with a few areas not well known.	Several areas not well known, with some answers correct.	Not attempted or all incorrect.

## Grade 6 to Grade 8 Marking Scheme

Marking Band	A	B	C	NGS	
Mark Range	16-14	13	12	11-1	0
<b>Technical Work</b> (16 Marks)	Accurate technical work at tempo for grade, with good technical skills, including posture and an awareness of the technique. Performed promptly and fluently with good tone.	Technical work mostly correct with good technical skills at a good tempo for the level. Performed fluently. Showing an awareness of technique required and good developing tone.	Technical work generally well known. Performed at a steady tempo, showing an awareness of the technical skills required.	Some technical work known. Technical skills developing but not yet fluent in performance. Tempo may be slow. Some areas not well prepared.	Technical work not prepared at all.
Mark Range	16-14	13	12	11-1	0
<b>Pieces</b> <b>List A:</b> <b>List B:</b> <b>List C:</b> <b>List D:</b> (16 Marks Each)	Notation, rhythm, and intonation accurate, technical control of the instrument with no hesitations.	Notation, rhythm, and intonation mostly correct with good technical control of the instrument.	Generally correct notation and rhythm and intonation.	Notation and rhythm may be developing but not yet fluent.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Fluent, with clarity of presentation.	Good sense of rhythm, with few mistakes	The sense of rhythm is sustainable with generally stable pulse.	Rhythm not yet secure with a loss of fluency.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Convincing tempo and feel for the style presented.	Reasonable tempo and feel for the style of the music presented.	Tempo reasonable, without losing the sense of style of music presented.	Tempo not secure, losing fluency and sense of style.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Expressive playing, phrasing, use of rubato as appropriate and an overall awareness of the structure of the music.	Phrasing generally well controlled, with attention to details of expressiveness.	Some attention to phrasing, showing an awareness of the musical shape of the music	Sense of style appropriate for the structure and era of the music not recognised sufficiently well.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
	Dynamics well controlled, with sensitive use appropriate to the style presented.	Good tonal awareness, and some attention to the details of the dynamics appropriate to the style.	Adequate attention to dynamics.	Dynamics not observed, resulting in a loss of style overall. Dynamics inappropriate for stylistic security.	Not attempted. Unable to play the selection at all.
Mark Range	7-6	5	4	3-1	0
<b>Sight Reading</b> (7 Marks)	Correct with good control of notation and rhythm at an appropriate tempo.	Quite secure with a few insecurities but overall showing an understanding of the music.	At a slow tempo with some notational insecurities and most rhythmic features correct.	Several notational and rhythmic insecurities that detracts from the overall performance. Overall, poorly executed.	Not attempted.
Mark Range	7-6	5	4	3-1	0
<b>Ear Tests</b> (7 Marks)	All correct, or only one error.	One to two error only.	Mostly correct with up to three incorrect.	Poorly executed with several incorrect.	Not attempted or all incorrect.
Mark Range	6	5	4	6-1	0
<b>General Knowledge</b> (6 Marks)	All correct.	Mostly correct with showing an understanding of the music.	Several correct, but with a few areas not well known.	Several areas not well known, with some answers correct.	Not attempted or all incorrect.

## C.Mus.AGMS, A.Mus.AGMS, L.Mus.AGMS Marking Scheme

Marking Band	High Distinction	Distinction	Award	NGS	
Mark Range	80-76	75-72	71-56	51-1	0
<b>Pieces</b> (80 Marks)	Notation, rhythm, and intonation accurate, technical control of the instrument with no hesitations.	Notation, rhythm, and intonation generally correct with good technical control of the instrument.	Mostly correct notation, rhythm and intonation.	Many stumbles with several incorrect notational work that detracted from the overall performance	Not attempted.
	Fluent, with clarity of presentation.	Good sense of rhythm, with few mistakes	The sense of rhythm is sustainable with generally stable pulse	Rhythmic pulse not well controlled with resulting lack of rhythmic flow.	Not attempted.
	Convincing tempo and feel for the style presented.	Reasonable tempo and feel for the style of the music presented.	Tempo reasonable, without losing the sense of style of music presented.	Tempo incorrect for the style of music presented, indicating a lack of understanding of the music or insufficient technical skills.	Not attempted.
	Expressive playing, phrasing, use of rubato as appropriate and an overall awareness of the structure of the music.	Phrasing generally well controlled, with attention to details of expressiveness.	Some attention to phrasing, showing an awareness of the musical shape of the music	An understanding of style and genre not demonstrated at all in the music.	Not attempted.
	Dynamics well controlled, with sensitive use appropriate to the style presented.	Good tonal awareness, and some attention to the details of the dynamics appropriate to the style.	Adequate attention to dynamics.	Dynamic range not appropriate for the music presented.	Not attempted.
Mark Range	20-19	18	17-14	13-1	0
<b>Programme Notes / General Impression</b> (20 Marks)	Programme is balanced with a variety of styles and genres presented, demonstrating the candidate's ability to play several styles.	Programme is mostly varied, but still retains a variety of styles to demonstrate the candidate's ability to play different styles.	Programme is reasonably varied with some variety in styles and composers.	Programme not varied, with little or no variety in styles or composers.	Programme notes not presented.
	Programme notes are detailed with excellent information about composers, an analysis of the music, and general performance notes on each piece.	Programme notes are reasonably detailed with analysis and information on each composer and piece.	Programme notes show some research on each piece.	Programme notes not adequately presented and showing little research on each piece.	Programme notes not presented.
	The candidate is assured and presents well at this level as a performer and will introduce each piece for performance.	The candidate presents well as a performer and should still introduce each piece.	The candidate presents reasonably well as a performer and introduces each piece.	Candidate does not introduce each piece adequately and has limited performance presentation.	Candidate does not present for the examination.
	The candidate demonstrates musicality and creativity in their performance.	The candidate demonstrates musicality and creativity in most of their performance pieces.	The candidate demonstrates some musicality and creativity in most of their performance pieces.	The candidate shows limited understanding of the style and genre of each selection.	Candidate does not present for the examination.

## C.T.Mus.AGMS, A.T.Mus.AGMS, L.T.Mus.AGMS Marking Scheme

Marking Band	High Distinction	Distinction	Award	NGS	
Mark Range	40-38	38-36	35-28	27-1	0
<b>PART ONE: Written Folio (40 Marks)</b>	Written folio covers all areas of the examination pieces to be presented, including comments on technique and technical difficulties, style, and interpretation as well as the importance of each piece in the teaching repertoire. The choice of pieces should present a wide range of genres, eras, and styles of music. The candidate demonstrates an understanding of various teaching methodology for different selections	Written folio covers all areas of the examination pieces to be presented including comments on technique difficulties, style and interpretation as well as the importance of each piece in the teaching repertoire. Generally, the choice of pieces should cover a range of eras and styles. The candidate shows some understanding of the teaching methodology required for individual selections.	Written folio is reasonably varied with some variety in styles and composers. Teaching comments and methodology may need more work overall. There should be a developing range of styles, genres and eras presented.	Written folio not varied, with little or no variety in styles or composers and inadequate information on teaching methods for these pieces.	Programme notes not presented.
Mark Range	60-57	56-54	53-42	41-1	0
<b>PART TWO: Practical Exam (60 Marks)</b>	The candidate plays fluently with good technique. The candidate can demonstrate all pieces listed in the repertoire presented in the written folio	The candidate would play fluently with good technique. The candidate would be able to demonstrate all the pieces listed in the repertoire with only some small minor stumbles	The candidate would be able to play with good technique and mostly fluently. The candidate would be able to adequately demonstrate the repertoire with some stumbles	Technique may need some improvement. Pieces would be mainly fluently performed with some stumbles detracting from the overall performance.	Not attempted
	The candidate can discuss the various technical requirements for each piece and demonstrate how this would be taught to students	The candidate would generally be able to discuss the technical requirements for each piece demonstrated with few errors	The candidate would be aware of the technical requirements for each piece demonstrated and be able to demonstrate and discuss adequately.	The technical skills needed for each presentation not understood sufficiently well enough	Not attempted
	The candidate would demonstrate an understanding of the style of music from each genre and era, and how this would be explained and taught.	The candidate would generally demonstrate an understanding of the style required for each era and genre of music, and in most instances give a clear definition of how this would be taught.	The candidate would mostly show an understanding of each era and style, with an adequate demonstration of how this would be taught to students	The candidate does not clearly understand the variety and styles of the various genres and eras sufficiently well.	Not attempted
	The candidate would demonstrate the use of dynamics, phrasing, and rubato as used for each piece to enhance the performance and explain how they would convey and develop these skills with students.	The candidate would generally understand the importance of the use of dynamics, phrasing, and rubato as part of the performance and be aware of the importance of developing skills for each student, showing some understanding on how to convey this to students	The candidate would show an awareness of the importance of phrasing and dynamics in the music, and to some extent be able demonstrate this.	The candidate shows an insufficient understanding of use of phrasing and dynamics for the pieces.	Not attempted
	The candidate plays fluently with good technique. The candidate can demonstrate all pieces listed in the repertoire presented in the written folio	The candidate would play fluently with good technique. The candidate would be able to demonstrate all the pieces listed in the repertoire with only some small minor stumbles	The candidate would be able to play with good technique and mostly fluently. The candidate would be able to adequately demonstrate the repertoire with some stumbles	Technique may need some improvement. Pieces would be mainly fluently performed with some stumbles detracting from the overall performance.	Not attempted



**Practical Music**

The **practical music** marking system, awards the following based on the mark received.

Details are below:

LEVEL		Grade Eight (Proficiency) Grade Seven Grade Six Grade Five Grade Four Grade Three Grade Two Grade One Step Three (Preliminary) Step Two (Elementary) Step One (Preparatory)	F.Mus.AGMS L.Mus.AGMS A.Mus.AGMS C.Mus.AGMS
MARK	95-100	A+ High Distinction	Award with High Distinction
	90-94	High A Distinction	Award with Distinction
	85-89	A Honours	Award
	80-84	B+ High Credit	
	75-79	B Credit	
	70-74	C+ High Pass	
	65-69	C Pass	NGS (Not Grade Standard)
	0-64	NGS (Not Grade Standard)	

**Teacher of Music**

The **teacher of music** marking system is as follows:

LEVEL		L.T.Mus.AGMS A.T.Mus.AGMS C.T.Mus.AGMS
MARK	95-100	Award with High Distinction
	90-94	Award with Distinction
	85-89	Award
	80-84	
	75-79	
	70-74	
	65-69	NGS (Not Grade Standard)
	0-64	

**CERTIFICATE**

Certificates are only issued for **A+ High Distinction, High A Honours, A Honours, B+ High Credit, B Credit, C+ High Pass, C Pass**. No certificate is issued for **Not Grade Standard (NGS)** category. Certificates and Diplomas are either **Award with High Distinction, Award with Distinction, Award** or **No Award**. Candidates/Teachers should note any pre-requisite requirement that will appear at the top of the page for appropriate grades, certificates and diplomas in the syllabus or in the following section.

The **AGMS** admin automatically issues the appropriate certificate in keeping with the pre-requisites. The Grade 8 (Proficiency), Certificate and all Diplomas are presented to successful candidate at the annual Graduation towards the start of each year in Australia.

### **THEORY PREREQUISITE FOR PRACTICAL SUBJECTS**

Below outlines the **AGMS theory prerequisites**. The **AGMS theory examination** can be completed any time. Once a minimum of a **pass** in both the **AGMS practical grade** and the prerequisite **AGMS theory grade** (or above grade) is completed – the **AGMS practical certificate** will be issued.

<b>PRACTICAL GRADE</b>	<b>THEORY GRADE PREREQUISITE (required)</b>	<b>THEORY GRADE (suggested)</b>
<b>Grade Three</b>		Preliminary
<b>Grade Four</b>		Grade One
<b>Grade Five</b>		Grade Two
<b>Grade Six</b>		Grade Three
<b>Grade Seven</b>	<b>Grade Four</b>	
<b>Grade Eight</b>	<b>Grade Five</b>	
<b>Certificate C.Mus.AGMS</b>	<b>Grade Five</b>	
<b>Associate A.Mus.AGMS</b>	<b>Grade Six</b>	
<b>Licentiate L.Mus.AGMS</b>	<b>Grade Seven</b>	

### **VALIDITY POLICY**

Any unprepared section is randomised by the examiner at the examination. For example, the sight-reading is only kept by the examiner and is randomly selected by the examiner for the candidate to play. The same applies with the Ear Tests which are randomised by the examiner. The general knowledge questions are randomly selected from items on the notated score that is brought to the examination room.

## **APPLICATION and EXAMINATION ENTRY**

All entries can only be made online, via the **agms.edu.au** site. Examinations are held at centres presenting sufficient candidate numbers to justify the visit by a **AGMS examiner**. If the **AGMS** finds it necessary to cancel an examination at a centre the candidate may then be directed to the nearest centre. If this, too, is found to be impracticable, then Video examinations may be offered. Fees will be refunded if the **AGMS** cannot service the examination centre or the alternative offered. Ensure the candidate's name is correct when placing the entry. Once the certificate has been printed and posted, there will a AU\$20.00 fee to replace the certificate with the corrected name.

## **FEES, REFUNDS, TRANSFER**

### **FEE LIST**

A complete list of fees is published on the **agms.edu.au** website. All fees are paid online using the secure online credit card payment system.

**FEE REFUND**

Fees cannot be refunded. But in exceptional circumstances, an application can be made to the **AGMS admin** for consideration for a fee refund. When the **AGMS** receives an application for an examination refund and it is accepted, a AU\$50.00 admin fee will be deducted from the refunded amount. In the case the **AGMS** is not able to service the examination centre for various reasons – for example, remote location, a full refund will be offered.

**EXAMINATION RE-ENTRY**

No fee concession is provided in the regulations for a repeat examination entry subsequent to failure to pass (NGS – not grade standard) the examination. The full fee prescribed in the current fee list for the particular Step, Grade, Certificate or Diploma must be paid in full when making another examination entry.

**CONCESSIONAL RE-ENTRY**

This type of examination entry concerns a candidate who misses an examination because of medical or other reasons. A new entry must be completed. Attach a copy of the doctor's certificate or appropriate letter and enclose the necessary half fee(s) based on the current Fee List. This concession must be taken within 6-months of the original date of entry, otherwise it lapses, and any fees held in credit will then be forfeited. This procedure also applies to any examination for which a new time and date is requested by the candidate. When making this application, a candidate has the right to make a concessional re-entry at a higher Grade level. But payment for the balance of the half fee is necessary. All applications for concessional re-entry must be made through the **AGMS** admin.

**TRANSFER OF FEES**

Fees may **not** be transferred to the credit of another candidate - except in cases of hardship or similar circumstances within the family. Such a concession must be approved by the **Board of Directors** of the **AGMS** after an application in writing has been made.

**ATTENDANCE AT EXAMINATIONS, ABSENT**

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Candidates may **not** interchange examination time periods without prior permission from the **AGMS** admin or the **examiner**. Candidates are required to attend the examination location fifteen minutes before the appointed time.

**ABSENT CANDIDATES**

Candidates absenting themselves from an examination to which they have been called and notified, will forfeit the fees paid. The only exceptions to this rule are in the event of a death in the family, illness or accident, school examinations being scheduled for the same date, or for religious purposes. An appropriate certificate or letter should be obtained and a copy attached to any future examination entry at half fee to be taken within six months of the original examination.

## **EXAMINATION PROCEDURE & OTHER ATTRIBUTES**

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### **IN-PERSON EXAMINATION**

At an in-person examination, you will be allocated a venue and a time by the AGMS admin. Please arrive 15 minutes before the allotted examination time and wait outside the examination room. Only the candidate or exceptions listed in **Outline of Assessments** is permitted in the examination room.

### **LIVE ONLINE EXAMINATION**

At a live online examination, you will be allocated a time and sent a link from by the **AGMS** admin. Please ensure your device is powered on, has a clear view of the candidate as if the examiner was in the room and have a high-speed internet connection. The examiner will call at the allotted time.

### **RECORDED EXAMINATION**

Please see the document 'Video Examinations Guidelines' for more information.

For comprehensive exams, the video is to be a one-take recording of the complete examination. No editing allowed. The video must clearly show the candidate and have clear sound. Once completed, upload the video and upload the link in the section provided on the **AGMS** online entry form.

### **ACCOMPANIMENTS FOR EXAMINATION**

All accompaniments are the responsibility of the candidate. If using a backing track, it is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure there is an adequate sound system for the purposes of the examination.

### **EXAMINATION WORKS CHOSEN FOR PERFORMANCE**

These should always be prepared in full unless otherwise indicated in the syllabus. Because of the length of some works, it may not always be possible for the examiner to hear the whole of the prepared work. The examiner may end any candidate's performance at any point when he or she is satisfied with what has already been performed.

### **IMPROVISATION**

There is provision for Improvisation and embellishment of the sheet copy where appropriate. If candidates elect to improvise, care must be taken to maintain the work's integrity & difficulty.

### **WORKS AVAILABILITY**

The **AGMS** does not carry stocks of list pieces, textbooks or literary works for sale or distribution other than its own publications. The **AGMS** cannot guarantee that the music and/or literary works in its lists will always be available from publishers and/or retailers. In some Lists where publisher's names are quoted, these are intended only as a guide or as a means of identification. Any standard edition is acceptable.

**OWN CHOICE ITEMS**

No authorisation of **own choice** items is required from step 1 to step 3, grade 1 to grade 7. Own choice items should be of a comparable level of technical and musical challenge as the recommended list selections of the grade. **Authorisation for own choice** items is only required for Grade 8, C.Mus.AGMS, A.Mus.AGMS, L.Mus.AGMS and F.Mus.AGMS by contacting the **AGMS** admin. If you are unsure about the suitability of a work for any grade, please feel free to contact **AGMS** at any time.

**INSTRUMENTS**

Instruments used for performance should be of an appropriate quality and in good condition to ensure that the candidate can present their performance well.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE**

Candidates may elect to answer general knowledge questions or present a folio covering all areas of general knowledge appropriate to the grade presented.

**MEMORY**

Although not a requirement, the playing of all music from memory is to be encouraged as many benefits can be derived from playing from memory. Memory work is expected for part of the Program in the Certificate/ Associate, Licentiate, and Fellowship Recital Diploma examinations.

**MUSIC REPEATS**

Candidates must be familiar with the repeats as marked in the examination pieces being played, but unless requested by the examiner, they need not be performed. However, *Da Capo* should be observed.

**PHOTOCOPIES**

The **AGMS** complies with all international copyright law and does **not** allow the use of photocopies, unless the original is present, and the copy is only used to facilitate the ease of page turning. Candidates should be aware that if photocopies are used, the examiner may refuse to allow the examination to proceed until an original publication is obtained. Any lost time, therefore, would be at the candidate's expense, as the allotted examination period could not be changed.

**PENCIL MARKS**

All references to time, keys, modulations, form, word, or sign meanings, or similar teaching aids, must be completely erased from each piece of music before entering the examination room. Essential marks relative to performance may remain.

## **NATIONAL AWARDS & SPECIAL CERTIFICATES**

**National Awards and Special Certificates** are awarded every year. Many donations are received on a regular basis for the **Annual AGMS Award and Concert Presentation** from supportive teachers and others as well as from businesses. The **AGMS** is grateful on behalf of all candidates for this valued support, as is it devoted wholly to the many successful examination candidates who have endeavoured and achieved in the preceding year.

## **ACCESSIBILITY POLICY**

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The **AGMS** works to provide flexibility and opportunities for students who have either physical or mental disabilities. The **AGMS** can accept entries from candidates who are physically handicapped or who are blind. Details of the disability should be quoted at the time of entry so that examiners can be alerted to any unusual set of circumstances which may arise. Examination requirements can be varied in accordance with the **AGMS** philosophy of rewarding disciplined endeavour and skill and supporting self-esteem. Contact the **AGMS** admin about this matter.

## **EXAMINER**

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### **EXAMINER'S DECISION & APPEALS PROCESS**

The examiner's decision is final. However, it is possible to appeal this. This appeal must be instigated within two-weeks of receiving the results by addressing such to the **AGMS Board of Directors**. Should there be sufficient evidence for the appeal to be successful, then the candidate will be offered the opportunity to resit the examination at a mutually convenient time with a different examiner.

### **EXAMINER REQUIREMENTS & RELIABILITY POLICY**

All **AGMS** examiners are professionals in their field and undergo a period of supervised training to be appointed as an **AGMS** examiner. This ensures **AGMS** examiners are highly aware of the syllabus criteria and marking scheme. The **AGMS** has an examiner training courses at different levels. Periodically, all examiners attend a moderation session to ensure a consistent mark between the examiners. All examiners and staff hold current working with children check, blue card or equivalent

## **PRACTICAL MUSIC EXAMINATION OUTLINES**

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**RECORDER: STEP ONE (PREPARATORY)**

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Examination Time: 10 minutes

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant or Treble recorder

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

<b>Scales:</b>	One octave ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 100 with one note per beat Articulation: All tongued
Major:	D
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	One octave ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 100 with one note per beat Articulation: All tongued
Major:	D

**PERFORMANCE**

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Choose three contrasting pieces to be performed.

<b>LIST A:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>LIST B:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>LIST C:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>20 Marks</b>

**REPERTOIRE LIST****Descant Recorder**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Volume 1 – ed. Appleby</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>Suite 1 any movement</i>	
<b>Fun and Games with the Recorder – adpt. Bowman</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 16 to 58 any one</i>	
<b>Nineteen Folk Tunes – F. Dinn</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>No. 1, 2, 5</i>	
<b>Method for the Recorder Volume 1 – M. Duschenes</b>	<b>Berandol</b>
<i>No. 7, 10, 11, 13</i>	
<b>New Recorder Tutor – Goodyear</b>	<b>Belwin-Mills</b>
<i>No. 27, 42, 43, 54, 55, 59</i>	
<b>Come and Play – C. Hand</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>No. 1, 2, 5</i>	
<b>Recorder from the Beginning Book 1 – J. Pitts</b>	<b>EJA Pub</b>
<i>Pg. 16 to 24 any one</i>	
<b>20 Simple Tunes – P. Rodgers</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Any one</i>	



<b>Fanfare</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>No. 1, 7</i>	
<b>Easy Does it! – N. Ward</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Any one</i>	
<b>Recorder World 1</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Any one</i>	

**Treble Recorder**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 10 – ed. Appleby</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>First Suite 1st or 2nd movement</i>	
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>No. 4, 5, 6</i>	
<b>Come and Play Again for Treble – C. Hand</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>No. 1, 2, 3</i>	
<b>Treble Recorder from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b>	<b>EJA Pub</b>
<i>The Capucine, French Folk Song, Irish Lullaby, The Saints any one</i>	

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to orally read notes for up to four bars from the Treble Stave. The examiner will use one of the pieces presented and will point to each note. Note values not required.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	Clap or tap a short two-bar phrase played twice by the examiner. No note value shorter than a crotchet.
<b>PITCH</b>	State which is the higher or lower of two notes played consecutively by the examiner in the immediate range above middle C. Not less than an OCTAVE apart.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and name the following items as found in their chosen pieces:  
**Brace, bar lines, double bar line, stave or staff, clefs, semibreves, minims and crotchets.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

If student writes this by hand, please scan the document then upload as above.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: STEP TWO (ELEMENTARY)**

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Examination Time: 10 minutes

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant or Treble recorder

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 100 with one note per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued  
 Major: D  
 Harmonic minor: D

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 100 with one note per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued  
 Major: D  
 Minor: D

**PERFORMANCE**

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Choose three contrasting pieces to be performed.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform **20 Marks**

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform **20 Marks**

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform **20 Marks**

**REPERTOIRE LIST****Descant Recorder**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 1 – ed. Appleby</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>Suite 2 any movement</i>	
<b>Nineteen Folk Tunes – F. Dinn</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>No. 9, 11, 14, 19</i>	
<b>50 Popular Children's Songs – J. Brimhall</b>	<b>Castle Music</b>
<i>Any one</i>	
<b>Tuneful Tunes for My Recorder – F. Dinn</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6</i>	
<b>Method for the Recorder Volume 1 – M. Duschenes</b>	<b>Berandol</b>
<i>No. 17, 18, 19, 20, 21</i>	
<b>Playtime Stage 2 – M. Fagan</b>	<b>Longman</b>
<i>Any one</i>	

<b>New Recorder Tutor – Goodyear</b> <i>No. 60, 75, 76, 77, 86, 88</i>	<b>Belwin-Mills</b>
<b>Come and Play – C. Hand</b> <i>No. 6, 10, 15</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Cool Cats Book 2 – J. Mead</b> <i>Pg. 2 to 8 any one</i>	<b>Eastprint</b>
<b>Six Piece for Simone – Palmer-Holton</b> <i>Any one</i>	<b>Palmer-Holton</b>
<b>Recorder from the Beginning Bk 1 – J. Pitts</b> <i>Pg. 25 to 34 any one</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>
<b>Fanfare</b> <i>No. 2, 4, 5</i>	<b>Faber</b>

**Treble Recorder**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 10 – ed. Appleby</b> <i>First Suite 3rd Mov.</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 7, 8, 10</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Six Pieces for Treble Recorder – M. Dring</b> <i>A Simple Tune</i>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<b>Come and Play Again for Treble – C. Hand</b> <i>No. 4, 6</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Treble Recorder from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b> <i>Cobbler's Jug, Two Little Angels, Judge's Dance, Michael Row the Boat</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

Sight read a short simple phrase of 2 bars in  $\frac{4}{4}$  time OR 4 bars in  $\frac{3}{4}$  time.  
Consisting of minims and crotchets.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	Clap or tap a short two-bar phrase played twice by the examiner. No note value shorter than a crotchet.
<b>PITCH</b>	State which is the higher or lower of two notes played consecutively by the examiner in the immediate range above middle C. Not less than a fifth apart.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and name the following items as found in their chosen pieces:

**Brace, bar lines, double bar lines, staff or stave, clefs, semibreves, minims crotchets, accidentals, simple time signatures, dynamics** (crescendo, diminuendo, *p*, *mp*, *f*, *mf*).

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

If student writes this by hand, please scan the document then upload as above.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: STEP THREE (PRELIMINARY)**

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Examination Time: 15 minutes

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant or Treble recorder

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 40 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: C & D

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 40 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: C & D

**Treble Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 40 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: F & G

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 40 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: F & G

**PERFORMANCE**

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Choose three contrasting pieces to be performed.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**20 Marks****LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**20 Marks****LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**20 Marks****REPERTOIRE LIST****Descant Recorder****Playtime Stage 3 – M. Fagan****Longman***Any one***Come and Play – C. Hand****OUP***No. 4, 8, 11, 12, 14*

<b>Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams</b> <i>Old German Song, Passion Chorale, Christmas Song</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>First Book of Descant Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 11, 13</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>First Solos for the Soprano Recorder – J. Camden</b> <i>Any one</i>	<b>Schirmer</b>
<b>Tuneful Tunes for My Recorder – F. Dinn</b> <i>No. 8, 9, 13</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Nineteen Folk Tunes – F. Dinn</b> <i>No. 4, 8, 10, 11, 13, 16, 17</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Method for the Recorder Volume 1 – M. Duschenes</b> <i>No. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, 50</i>	<b>Berandol</b>
<b>New Recorder Tutor – Goodyear</b> <i>No. 87, 115, 116, 127, 151</i>	<b>Belwin-Mills</b>
<b>The Young Recorder Player Book 1 – ed. S. Lawton</b> <i>No. 5, 6, 11</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Cool Cats Book 2 – J. Mead</b> <i>Pg. 9 to 14 any one</i>	<b>Eastprint</b>
<b>Recorder from the Beginning Book 1 – J. Pitts</b> <i>No. 35 onwards – any one</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>
<b>Recorder Tunes for Junior and Intermediate Players – S. Taylor</b> <i>No. 3</i>	<b>Curwen</b>

**Treble Recorder**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Volume 10 – ed. Appleby</b> <i>Suite 2 any one</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 11 or 13</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Five Concert Pieces from Enjoy the Recorder – B. Bonsor</b> <i>No. 2</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Six Pieces for Treble Recorder – M. Dring</b> <i>Song of Autumn</i>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<b>First Study Pieces for Treble Recorder – M. Dring</b> <i>Any one except 1 or 2</i>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<b>Come and Play Again for Treble – C. Hand</b> <i>No. 5, 7, 8</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Treble Recorder from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b> <i>Angie's Jig, Drink to Me Only, Michael Row the Boat, Manx Lullaby</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

Sight read a short simple phrase of 2 bars in  $\frac{4}{4}$  time or 4 bars in  $\frac{3}{4}$  time. Consisting of minims and crotchets.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks****RHYTHM**

Clap or tap a short two bar phrase played twice by the examiner.  
No note value shorter than a crotchet.

**PITCH**

State which is higher or lower of two notes played consecutively by the examiner. Not less than a THIRD apart.  
Within the octave around Middle C.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and name the following items as found in their chosen pieces:

**Braces, bar-lines, double bar-lines, staves, clefs, semibreves, minims, crotchets, accidentals, time signatures, terminology, triplets, key signatures, tone and semitone intervals, dynamics**

(crescendo, diminuendo, *p*, *mp*, *f*, *mf*).

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

If student writes this by hand, please scan the document then upload as above.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**



**RECORDER: GRADE ONE**

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Examination time: 15 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant or Treble recorder

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 54 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: C, D & F  
 Harmonic minor: D  
 Melodic minor: D

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 54 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: C, D & F  
 Minor: D

**Treble Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 54 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: F, G & B $\flat$

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 54 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: F, G & B $\flat$

**PERFORMANCE**

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Three pieces required: List A, B and C.

There are 5 lists. Select three contrasting pieces from three different lists below.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.**20 Marks****LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.**20 Marks****LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.**20 Marks**

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER**

- Enjoy the Recorder Descant Book 1 – B. Bonsor** Schott  
*No. 114, 139, 145*
- First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Da Costa** Faber  
*Thumbs Up!*
- 30 Simple Studies – H. Keuning** Harmonica Silversum  
*No. 10, 19*
- Die Kleine Übung – Hans-Martin Linde** Schott  
*No. 1b*
- Basic Recorder Technique Volume 1 – H. Orr** Berandol  
*No. 91, 98, 103, 108, 120, 130*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

- Eighteen Short Studies for Treble Recorder – F. Dinn** Schott  
*No. 1, 2*
- Melodiespiel auf Der Altblockflöte – M. Uies** Noetzel  
*No. 1, 3*

**LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER**

- Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 1 – ed. Appleby** OUP  
*Suite 4 any movement*
- Medieval & Renaissance Music for the Recorder – R. Bancalari** Mel Bay  
*Pg. 9 either Rondeau*
- Enjoy the Recorder Descant Book 1 – B. Bonsor** Schott  
*No. 121, 122, 124, 136, 138, 140*
- Tuneful Tunes for My Recorder – F. Dinn** Schott  
*No. 10, 11, 12, 14, 16*
- Method for the Recorder Volume 1 – M. Duschenes** Berandol  
*No. 73, 75, 76, 77, 78*
- First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Holborne** Faber  
*The Honie-Suckle*
- The Young Recorder Player Book 1 – ed. S. Lawton** OUP  
*No. 2, 3, 9, 13*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 10 – ed. Appleby</b> <i>No. 7 or 8</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 16</i>	<b>Gitarren-Archiv</b>
<b>Six Pieces – M. Dring</b> <i>Elizabethan Dance</i>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<b>Treble Recorder from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b> <i>Carmen's Whistle, Gay Gordons, or Sur le Pont</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>

**LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>First Book of Descant Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 15, 18, 19</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>The First Elizabethan Consort Book – ed. E. Hunt</b> <i>No. 1, 3, 4</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Classical Album – ed. E. Hunt</b> <i>No. 3, 4, 12, 13</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Bach for Recorder and Guitar – arr. E. Reichenthal</b> <i>Minuet</i>	<b>halleonard.com</b>
<b>Master Melodies – arr. T. S. Walker</b> <i>No. 2, 15</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Classical Dances – W. Woehl</b> <i>No. 1, 4, 5, 6, 12, 14</i>	<b>Kalmus</b>

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams</b> <i>Gavotte or Polka</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 10 – ed. Appleby</b> <i>No. 4, 6</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 15, 18, 19</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Treble Recorder from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b> <i>Minuet (Purcell), Vom Himmel Hoch, Minuet (Handel)</i>	<b>EJA Pub</b>
<b>Concert Pieces for Treble from the Beginning – J. Pitts</b> <i>O Waly Waly, She Moved Through the Fair</i>	<b>Chester</b>

**LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER****Come and Play Again Book 2 – C. Hand****OUP***Any one***A Little Concert Suite – J. Clements****Edwin Ashdown***Any movement***Fanfare****Faber***No. 6, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18***TREBLE RECORDER****Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams****Faber***Pony Trot***Six Pieces – M. Dring****Lengnick***Spring Song, Boat Song***Come and Play Again for Treble – C. Hand****OUP***No. 10, 11, 12***LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER****The Really Easy Recorder Book – B. Bonsor****Faber***Scherzino, Legend***Turtle Tango – D. Coombes****Brass & Wind***Turtle Tango***Come and Play Again – C. Hand****OUP***No. 8, 9, 10, 11, 12***First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Harris****Faber***Sunny Spells***Spanish Tunes – Moragas-Rodgers****Schott***Galician Dance-Song, Across the River, Anton, Ramon***Pops & Shows – J. Pitts****Chester***Any one***Recorder Tunes for Junior and Intermediate Players – S. Taylor****Curwen***No. 1, 2, 4, 11, 12***Really Easy Jazzin' About – P. Wedgwood****Faber***Spiderman Rocks, Periwinkle Waltz, Grandpa's Old Boiler, Funky Doughnut***TREBLE RECORDER****Five Concert Pieces from Enjoy the Recorder – B. Bonsor****Schott***No. 3 or 4***Own Choice:** Teachers may substitute an own choice piece of the same level.

No approval is necessary but if you are not sure of the standard you may apply for approval.

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

Sight read a short simple phrase with no note shorter than a crotchet. Either 8 bars in common time, or 8 bars or more in  $\frac{2}{4}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  time. In the keys of C or G Major only.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a short two bar phrase played twice by the examiner. No note value smaller than a quaver.
<b>INTERVALS</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 3rd & Perfect 5th), starting on Middle C.
<b>PITCH</b>	The Candidate will be asked to state which is the higher or lower of any two notes played consecutively by the examiner.
<b>PITCH</b>	The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing the TONIC at the end of a short unfinished descending melody played by the examiner.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces: **Braces, bar-lines, double bar-lines, terminology, rests, accidentals, time signatures, note values, clefs, staves, key signatures, dynamics** (*crescendo, diminuendo, p, mp, f, mf*).

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR****OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE TWO**

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Examination time: 15 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant or Treble recorder

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
Tempo: MM = 66 with four notes per beat  
Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: G, E & F  
Harmonic minor: E & G  
Melodic minor: E & G  
Chromatic: D

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
Tempo: MM = 66 with three notes per beat  
Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: G, E & F  
Minor: E & G

**Treble Recorder:**

**Scales:** One octave ascending and descending  
Tempo: MM = 66 with four notes per beat  
Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: G, A & B<sup>b</sup>  
Harmonic minor: A & C  
Melodic minor: A & C  
Chromatic: G

**Arpeggios:** One octave ascending and descending  
Tempo: MM = 66 with three notes per beat  
Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato

Major: G, A & B<sup>b</sup>  
Minor: A & C

**PERFORMANCE**

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Three pieces required: List A, B and C.

There are 5 lists. Select three contrasting pieces from three different lists below.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER**

**Enjoy the Recorder Descant Book 1 – B. Bonsor** **Schott**

*No. 155, 162, 165*

**Die Kleine Übung – Hans-Martin Linde** **Schott**

*No. 4, 5, 6a, 6b, 6c, 7a, 8a, 8b*

**Basic Recorder Technique Volume 2 – H. Orr** **Bernadol**

*No. 194, 195, 206, 210, 231*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

**Eighteen Short Studies for Treble Recorder – F. Dinn** **Schott**

*No. 3, 4, 5, 6*

**Second Study Pieces for Treble – M. Dring** **Lengnick**

*No. 1, 3*

**Kinder-leichte Übungen for Altblockflöte – K. Rennie** **Noetzel**

*No. 1, 4, 5, 10, 11*

**First Study Pieces for Treble Recorder – E. Rubbra** **Lengnick**

*No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6*

**LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER**

**Medieval & Renaissance Music for the Recorder – R. Bancalari** **Mel Bay**

*Trouvere, Ballade (li Maus D'Amer), las Rotta, Pavanne, Allemande, Rondo (susato)*

**Enjoy the Recorder Descant Book 1 – B. Bonsor** **Schott**

*No. 160, 161, 164, 166*

**Method for the Recorder Vol. 1 – M. Duschenes Berandol**

*No. 80, 103, 106, 108, 145, 176*

**Classical Album – ed. E. Hunt** **Schott**

*Any one of the English Dances*

**Old Dances and Airs – ed. Kaestner** **Schott**

*No. 2, 8, 14, 19*

<b>The Young Recorder Player Book 1 – ed. S. Lawton</b> <i>No. 15, 16, 19</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Music of Shakespeare's Time – arr. D. G. Murray</b> <i>No. 1, 12</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Basic Recorder Technique Vol. 2 – H. Orr</b> <i>No. 141, 149, 192, 195, 198, 211, 213, 214</i>	<b>Bernadol</b>
<b>The Fitzwilliam Virginal Book</b> <i>Daunce, Allman (either Allman)</i>	<b>Belwin-Mills</b>

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos</b> <i>No. 13, 17</i>	<b>Faber</b>
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**LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Seven Pieces by Vlassical Composers – ed. Benoy</b> <i>No. 4, 5, 7</i>	<b>OUP</b>
<b>Classical Album – ed. E. Hunt</b> <i>No. 1, 2, 8, 11, 14</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Old Dances and Airs – ed. Kaestner</b> <i>No. 11, 19, 24</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Master Melodies – arr. T. S. Walker</b> <i>No. 9</i>	<b>Schott</b>

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams</b> <i>Musette - Chedeville</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Second Book of Treble Solos – ed. W. Bergmann</b> <i>No. 4, 12, 14</i>	<b>Faber</b>

**LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>The Really Easy Recorder Book – B. Bonsor</b> <i>Merry Peasant, Italian Song</i>	<b>Faber</b>
<b>Zehn Kleine Stucke – H. Poser</b> <i>No. 2, 3, 6</i>	<b>Moseler</b>
<b>Sonatine No. 2 – W. Roehr</b> <i>2nd Movement</i>	<b>Schott</b>



**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Variations Lavenders Blue</i>	
<b>Oxford Book of Recorder Music Vol. 10 – ed. Appleby</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>Third Suite – any movement</i>	
<b>Simple melodies for Recorder – M. Hill</b>	<b>Albert &amp; Son</b>
<i>Little Dance or Rain</i>	

**LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>The Really Easy Recorder Book – B. Bonsor</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Caribbean, Merry-Go-Round, Pensive</i>	
<b>Spanish Tunes – Moragas-Rodgers</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>The Handkerchief song, Grandfather's Orchard, Climbing the Hill</i>	
<b>Recorder Tunes for Junior and Intermediate Players – S. Taylor</b>	<b>Curwen</b>
<i>No. 5, 7, 13</i>	
<b>Up Front</b>	<b>Brass &amp; Wind</b>
<i>Day Dreams, Folk Song Echoes</i>	
<b>Really Easy Jazzin' About – P. Wedgwood</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Sasha, Kingfisher, Bumble Bee Boogie, Willow</i>	
<b>Easy Jazzin' About – P. Wedgwood Faber</b>	
<i>Any one</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Five Concert Pieces from Enjoy the Recorder – B. Bonsor</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 5</i>	
<b>Six Pieces – M. Dring</b>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<i>Cakewalk</i>	

**Own Choice:** Teachers may substitute an own choice piece of the same level.

No approval is necessary but if you are not sure of the standard you may apply for approval.

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a short passage with no note shorter than a crotchet and with no accidentals. In the keys of C, G and F Majors only. In  $\frac{4}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , or  $\frac{2}{4}$  time.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a four-bar simple passage played twice by the examiner in $\frac{2}{4}$ time. Quavers, crotchets and minims may be used.
<b>INTERVALS</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th & Perfect 5th), starting on Middle C.
<b>PITCH</b>	The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing the TONIC at the end of a short unfinished descending melody played by the examiner.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces:  
**Note and rest values, staff or staves, clefs, accidentals, articulations, time signatures, key signatures, terminology, signs.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

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**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE THREE**

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Examination time: 20 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

Students may present for their exam on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder

**Suggested co-requisite:**

The AGMS recommends the Preliminary Grade Theory of Music examination (or higher) be passed in conjunction with Grade Three practical.

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 76 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	E $\flat$ & B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	C	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	C	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	D	(1 octave)
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 76 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	E $\flat$ & B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	C	(1 ½ octaves)

**Treble Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 76 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	A $\flat$ & E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	A	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	B & F	(1 octave)
Melodic minor:	B & F	(1 octave)
Chromatic:	G	(1 octave)

<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 76 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	A <sup>b</sup> & E <sup>b</sup>	(1 octave)
	A	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	B & F	(1 octave)

## **PERFORMANCE**

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Three pieces required: List A, B and C.

There are 5 lists. Select three contrasting pieces from three different lists below.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

## **REPERTOIRE LIST**

### **LIST 1**

#### **DESCANT RECORDER**

**Eighteen Short Studies for Treble Recorder – F. Dinn** **Schott**

*No. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11*

**Die Kleine Übung – Hans-Martin Linde** **Schott**

*No. 13, 14a, 14b, 15a, 15b*

**Basic Recorder Technique Vol. 2 – H. Orr** **Bernadol**

*No. 346, 358*

#### **TREBLE RECORDER**

**Second Study Pieces for Treble – M. Dring** **Lengnick**

*No. 2, 4, 5*

**Kinder-leichte Übungen for Altblockflöte – K. Rennie** **Noetzel**

*No. 8, 9, 12, 13, 14*

**LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Medieval &amp; Renaissance Music for the Recorder – R. Bancalari</b>	<b>Mel Bay</b>
<i>Pg. 6 Estampie, Basse Dance, Pvanne, Galliarde (Phalese) Lied (Praetorius), Chanson</i>	
<b>Elizabethan Dances and Ayres – ed. E. Hunt</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Any one</i>	
<b>Amusette IV – J. Aubert</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. I, II, IV</i>	
<b>First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Dieupart</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Menuet en Rondeau</i>	
<b>Old Dances and Airs – ed. Kaestner</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 3, 10, 12, 15</i>	
<b>Music of Shakespeare's Time – arr. D. G.</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 2, 3, 7, 9</i>	
<b>Basic Recorder Technique Vol. 2 – H. Orr</b>	<b>Bernadol</b>
<i>No. 290, 291, 293, 304, 315</i>	
<b>Traditional</b>	<b>Nova Music</b>
<i>Portsmouth</i>	
<b>The Fitzwilliam Virginal Book</b>	<b>Belwin-Mills</b>
<i>Watkin's Ale, Fayne Would I Wed, la Volta</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>From Old England – ed. Kaestner</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 4, 7a &amp; b (both as one), Watkin's Ale</i>	

**Tenor Recorder**

<b>Traditional</b>	<b>Nova Music</b>
<i>Portsmouth</i>	

**LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER**

- Old Dances and Airs – ed. Kaestner** Schott  
*No. 9, 13, 16*
- Bach for Recorder and Guitar – arr. E. Reichenthal** hal Leonard.com  
*Minuet, Suite 2, Bourree in E min*
- Sonata No. 8 in G – R. Valentine** Schott  
*4th Movement*
- Master Melodies – arr. T. S. Walker** Schott  
*No. 1, 3, 8, 10*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

- Concert Repertoire for Recorder – ed. S. Adams** Faber  
*Andante (Partita 1), Capriccio*
- Second Book of Treble Solos – ed. W. Bergmann** Faber  
*No. 1, 8, 11, 15*
- Eleven Pieces – A. Corelli** Schott  
*No. 1, 2, 3*
- Sonata B flat Major – De Fesch** Universal  
*3rd or 4th movement*
- From Old England – ed. Kaestner** Schott  
*No. 2, 12*

**LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER**

- First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Haydn** Faber  
*Partie: III Finale*
- Sonatine No. 1 – W. Roehr** Schott  
*1st or 3rd movement*
- Sonatine No. 2 – W. Roehr** Schott  
*1st or 3rd movement*
- Suite – C. Steel** Novello  
*Mov. IV*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

- Sonatine Op. 48 – Heyl** Moeck  
*2nd Movement*
- E. Hunt** Schott  
*A Little Prelude*

**LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>First Repertoire for Descant Recorder – Bennett</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Moody Judy</i>	
<b>Simply a Rag – D. Coombes</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Simply a Rag or March on a Ground</i>	
<b>Fun Music for Recorder – ed. B. Brewis</b>	<b>Chappell</b>
<i>The Entertainer or Georgy Girl</i>	
<b>Power Up! – Cowles</b>	<b>Fentone</b>
<i>Smooth Connections</i>	
<b>Recorder Tunes for Junior and Intermediate Players – S. Taylor</b>	<b>Curwen</b>
<i>No. 15 or 16</i>	
<b>Up Front</b>	<b>Brass &amp; Wind</b>
<i>Adios Triana, Saturday Stroll</i>	

**Own Choice:** Teachers may substitute an own choice piece of the same level. No approval is necessary but if you are not sure of the standard you may apply for approval.

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a passage of 8 bars in  $\frac{4}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , or  $\frac{2}{4}$  time in the keys of C, G or F Major. To be played at the moderate speed of ♩ = MM 100.  
No accidentals. Phrasing must be observed.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	Clap or tap a simple four bar passage played twice by the examiner in $\frac{3}{4}$ time. Quavers, crotchets, minims and dotted minims may be used.
<b>INTERVALS</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 2nd, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th & Perfect 5th), starting on any note around middle C.
<b>TONALITY</b>	The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing and then identify as major or minor, a short diatonic phrase of 5 to 7 notes played twice by the examiner. No dotted rhythms used.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces:

**Terms, time signatures, key signatures, scale formation, tetrachords, tones and semitones, signs.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

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**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**



**RECORDER: GRADE FOUR**

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Examination time. 20 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

**Suggested co-requisite:**

The AGMS recommends the Grade One Theory of Music examination (or higher) be passed in conjunction with Grade Four practical.

Candidates may present their technical work on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder. Pieces may also include pieces on Bass recorder if desired.

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 84 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	A $\flat$ & B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	F	(1 octave)
	C $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	F	(1 octave)
	C $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	E	(1 octave)
Broken Thirds:	D	(1 octave)

<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 84 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	A $\flat$ & B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	C $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)

**Treble Recorder:**

**Scales:** Ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 84 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	D $\flat$ & E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	A	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	F $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	F $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	A	(1 octave)
Broken Thirds:	G	(1 octave)

**Arpeggios:** Ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM = 84 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato

Major:	B $\flat$ & E	(1 octave)
	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	C	(1 octave)
	F $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)

**PERFORMANCE**

Three pieces required: List A, B and C.  
 There are 5 lists. Select three contrasting pieces from three different lists below.  
 Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

<b>LIST A:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>LIST B:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.	<b>20 Marks</b>
<b>LIST C:</b> Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform.	<b>20 Marks</b>

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Studies in Recorder Playing – M. Duschenes</b>	<b>Bernadol</b>
<i>No. 57, 71, 78</i>	
<b>Die Kleine Übung – Hans-Martin Linde</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>No. 19, 20, 21</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

- Eighteen Short Studies for Treble Recorder – F. Dinn** Schott  
*No. 14, 15, 16, 17*
- Studies in Recorder Playing – M. Duschenes** Berandol  
*No. 48, 49, 50a, 51a, 52a, 53a*
- Masters of the 18th Century – F. J. Giesbert** Schott  
*No. 11, 15*

**LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER**

- Medieval & Renaissance Music for the Recorder – R. Bancalari** Mel Bay  
*Saltarello, Der Neve Bauernschwanz, Studentleid*
- Music of Shakespeare's Time – D. G. Murray** Schott  
*No. 10, 11*
- Der Fluyten Lust-Hof – A. van Eyck** Heugel  
*Rosemondt, De Zonte Zoomer Tyden, or Questa Dolce*

**TREBLE RECORDER**

- First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – ed. Bergmann** Faber  
*No. 30*
- The Delightful Companion – R. Carr** Schott  
*A Farewell Tune, Theatre Tune*
- Seven English Pieces – ed. C. Dolmetsch** Schott  
*No. 3, 7*
- First Repertoire Pieces – ed. S. Rosenberg** boosey.com  
*Two Dances – Susato*

**TENOR RECORDER**

- Tenor Recorder Solos – B. Bonsor** Faber  
*A Toye*
- Eight traditional Japanese Pieces – G. Saunders**  
*No. 1, 2, 4*

**LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER**

- Amusette IV – J. Aubert** Schott  
*III (a & b), or V (a & b)*
- Sonata – G. Finger** Schott  
*4th Movement*

**Bach for Recorder and Guitar – arr. E. Reichenthal**

halleonard.com

*Sicilaino, Wisset ihr Nicht***Sonata No. 8 in G – R. Valentine**

Schott

*2nd Movement***Master Melodies – arr. T. S. Walker**

Schott

*No. 5, 7***TREBLE RECORDER****Eleven Pieces – A. Corelli**

Schott

*No. 4, 5, 9***Sonata B flat Major – De Fesch**

Universal

*1st or 2nd Movement***From Old England – ed. Kaestner**

Schott

*No. 5, 6***Sonata Da Camera No. 5 in G – Thornowitz**

Schott

*Gavotta, Minuet, Giga***TENOR RECORDER****Tenor Recorder Solos – B. Bonsor**

Faber

*Bist Du Bei Mir or Minuet from Almira***BASS RECORDER****Bass Recorder Album – W. Bergmann**

Schott

*Air, Menuet***LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER****Divertimento – L. Aked**

Albert &amp; Son

*Minuet***Petite Suite Chametre – C. Hand**

boosey.com

*Mov. 2 or 3***Holland, D**

Albert &amp; Son

*Lullay My Tiny Child***Sontine in C – R.**

Hannsler

*Any Movement***Sonatine No. 3 – W. Roehr**

Schott

*1st, 3rd, 4th movement*

**TREBLE RECORDER****Sonatine Op. 48 – Heyl****Moeck***1st movement***R. Milford****OUP***Christmas Pastorale***G. Saux****Heugel et Cie***Serenade***TENOR RECORDER****Tenor Recorder Solos – B. Bonsor****Faber***Wie Melodien***LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER****Jazzy Recorder Book 2 – B. Bonsor****Universal***Get Up and Go!, Serenata***Jazzy Recorder Volume 1 – Russell-Smith****Universal***Ragtime Razzle, A little Latin, Fred and Ginger***Up Front****Brass & Wind***Pussyfoot***TREBLE RECORDER****Suite for Courtney – L. Aked****Oberg Publications***Bathtime Rhumba***Skally Skarekrow's Whistling Book – G. Poole****Forsyth Brothers***Spring Breezes***SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a passage of 12 bars in  $\frac{4}{4}$ ,  $\frac{3}{4}$ , or  $\frac{6}{8}$  time in the keys of G, D, F Major, or A minor. Quavers and occasional accidentals will be used. Phrasing must be observed.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks****RHYTHM**

The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a simple four bar passage played twice by the examiner in  $\frac{3}{4}$  or  $\frac{4}{4}$  time. Quavers, crotchets, dotted crotchets, minims and dotted minims may be used.

**INTERVALS**

The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 2nd, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th, Perfect 5th & Major 6th), starting on any note around middle C.

**TONALITY**

The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing and then identify as major or minor, a short chromatic phrase of 5 to 7 notes played twice by the examiner. Dotted rhythms may be used.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces:

**Scale formation, tetrachords, notation, rests, key signatures, time signatures, accents, syncopation, terminology, signs, binary form, intervals, tones and semitones.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE FIVE**

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Examination time. 20 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

**Suggested co-requisite:**

The AGMS recommends the Grade Two Theory of Music examination (or higher) be passed in conjunction with Grade Five practical.

Candidates may present their technical work on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder. For pieces, a combination of descant (tenor) and treble (bass) is recommended.

**TECHNICAL WORK****20 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 92 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	A $\flat$ & B	(1 octave)
	D $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	B $\flat$ & G $\sharp$	(1 octave)
Melodic minor:	B $\flat$ & G $\sharp$	(1 octave)
Chromatic:	E $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
<b>Broken Thirds:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 92 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	C	(1 octave)
Minor:	D	(1 octave)
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 92 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	B	(1 octave)
	D $\flat$ & A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	G $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)

**Treble Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 92 with four notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	D $\flat$ & E	(1 octave)
	G $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	E $\flat$ & F	(1 octave)
Melodic minor:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	F	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
<b>Broken Thirds:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 92 with four notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	F	(1 octave)
Minor:	G	(1 octave)
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 92 with three notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	E	(1 octave)
	G $\flat$ & A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	F	(1 ½ octaves)

**PERFORMANCE**

Three pieces required: List A, B and C.

There are 5 lists. Select three contrasting pieces from three different lists below.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire lists to perform. **20 Marks**

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER**

**12 Melodious Exercises - J. Collette**

**Universal**

*No. 2, 7*

**Die Kleine Übung – Hans-Martin Linde**

**Schott**

*No. 22, 23, 24*



**TREBLE RECORDER****5 Studies for Finger Control – H. Bruggen****Broekmans***No. 2, 3, 5***Eighteen Short Studies for Treble Recorder – F. Dinn****Schott***No. 18***Masters of the 18th Century – F. J. Giesbert****Schott***No. 2***Modern Exercises for Treble – Hans-Martin Linde****Schott***No. 2, 4, 5***LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER****Greensleeves to a Ground****Schott***Theme and any 6 Variations***TREBLE RECORDER****Greensleeves to a Ground****Schott***Theme and any 6 Variations***Seven English Pieces – ed. C. Dolmetsch****Schott***No. 2, 4, 5***TENOR RECORDER****Eight Traditional Japanese Pieces – G. Saunders****Schott***No. 3, 5, 6, 7, 8***BASS RECORDER****Bass Recorder Album – W. Bergmann****Schott***Divisions on an Italian Ground***LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER****G. F. Handel****Schott***Sonata and Allegro***Sonata Op. 1 No. 4 – B. Marcello Schott***Adagio and Allegro***Bach for Recorder and Guitar – arr. E. Reichenthal****halleonard.com***Sinfonia***Sonata No. 1 in F – R. Valentine****Schott***2nd & 3rd Mov. or 3rd & 4th Mov.*

**TENOR RECORDER****Eleven Pieces – A. Corelli****Schott***No. 11***G. F. Handel****Schott***Sonata and Allegro***BASS RECORDER****Bass Recorder Album – W. Bergmann****Schott***Pastorale***LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER****Divertimento – L. Aked****Albert & Son***2nd or 4th movement***C. Edmunds****Schott***Sonatina***Petite Suite Chametre – C. Hand****boosey.com***4th Movement***Sonatine No. 1 – W. Roehr****Schott***Any 3 movements***Suite – C. Steel****Schott***Any one movement***TREBLE RECORDER****Sonatine in D – R. Klein****Hanssler***Allegro***Sonata in D for Treble – Hans-Martin Linde****Schott***Aria***Sonatina in F – R. Milford****OUP***Andante***TENOR RECORDER****Tenor Recorder Solos – B. Bonsor****Faber***Solvejg's Song, Tango, The Sun Whose Rays are All Ablaze***BASS RECORDER****6 Settings of Folk Songs – H. Staeps****Hargail***Any one*

**LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>First Book of Descant Recorder Solos – Bergmann</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Waltz-Variations</i>	
<b>Jazzy Recorder Book 2 – B. Bonsor</b>	<b>Universal</b>
<i>Nice 'N' Easy</i>	
<b>Power Up! – Cowles</b>	<b>Fentone</b>
<i>Battery Hens or A Bright Spark</i>	
<b>B. Kelly</b>	<b>Stainer &amp; Bell</b>
<i>Rigaudoon</i>	
<b>Creative Variations for Recorder Volume 1 – Miles</b>	<b>Camden</b>
<i>Bathwater Blues</i>	
<b>Jazzy Recorder Book 1 – Russell-Smith</b>	<b>Universal</b>
<i>A Little Latin or Blue for a Girl</i>	
<b>J. Van Dijk</b>	<b>Donemus</b>
<i>Au Jardin</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Suite for Courtney – L. Aked Oberg</b>	<b>Publications</b>
<i>Bassinet Dance</i>	
<b>First Book of Treble Recorder Solos – Bergmann</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Waltz-Variations</i>	

**SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a passage in a Major key up to two sharps and two flats, or in a minor key up to one sharp or flat. Using dotted rhythmic patterns, tied notes, chords and simple modulations.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a four-bar passage played twice by the examiner in simple or $\frac{6}{8}$ time. No note shorter than a quaver.
<b>INTERVALS</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 2nd, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th, Perfect 5th, Major 6th, Major 7th & Perfect Octave), starting on any note around middle C.
<b>PITCH</b>	The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing the higher of two notes played simultaneously by the examiner within the diatonic scale octave C to C. The key may be changed to accommodate voice range.

<b>HARMONY</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify as major or minor, triads played in root position by the examiner. These will be played twice if necessary.
<b>TONALITY &amp; CADENCE</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify whether a phrase played by the examiner is in a major or minor key, and if the end cadence is Plagal (IV-I) or Perfect (V-I).

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces: **Terminology, key and time signatures, modulations, scale formations, tetrachords, binary and ternary form, articulation, signs.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE SIX**

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Examination time. 25 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

**Suggested co-requisite:**

The AGMS recommends the Grade Three Theory of Music examination (or higher) be passed in conjunction with Grade Six practical.

Candidates may present their technical work on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder. For pieces, a combination of descant (tenor) and treble (bass) is recommended.

**TECHNICAL WORK****16 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:****Scales:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM = 96 with four notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	G $\flat$ & F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	C	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	D $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	E $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	D $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	E $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	F	(1 ½ octaves)

**Broken Thirds:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM = 96 with four notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	F	(1 octave)
Minor:	E	(1 octave)

**Arpeggios:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM = 96 with three notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato

Major:	F $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	G $\flat$ & C	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	D $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	E $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)

**Treble Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 96 with four notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	C $\flat$ & B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	F	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	G $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	G $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	B $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
<b>Broken Thirds:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 96 with four notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
Minor:	A	(1 octave)
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending Tempo: MM = 96 with three notes per beat Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	C $\flat$ & F	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	G $\sharp$	(1 octave)
	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)

**PERFORMANCE**

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Four pieces required: List A, B, C and D.

There are 5 lists to choose from. Choose 4 pieces, each from a different list.

A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is recommended.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

<b>LIST A:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST B:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST C:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST D:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER****12 Melodious Exercises – J. Collette****Universal***No. 8, 9***TREBLE RECORDER****5 Studies for Finger Control – H. Bruggen****Broekmans***No. 1, 4***Acht Melodische Studies – J. Collette****Muziekkuitgeverij***No. 1***Masters of the 18th Century – F. J. Giesbert****Schott***No. 6, 8***LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER****Riccio****London Pro Musica***Canzona for Recorder and Continuo***Der Fluyten Lust-Hof – A. van Eyck****Schott****No. 7, 8, 10, 11, 13****TREBLE RECORDER****The Delightful Companion – R. Carr****Schott***Ayre very Brisk, Tune No. 2, Ayre mons Peasable***Sonata Seconda – D. Purcell****Peters***Any two movements***BASS RECORDER****Bass Recorder Album – W. Bergmann****Schott***Variations on Goe from My Window***LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER****Sonata Op. 5 No. 8 – A. Corelli****Noetzel***either 1st & 2nd, or 3rd & 4th mov***Sonata – G. Finger****Schott***Complete*

**Sonata in G – J. Pepusch**

Schott

*Complete***Bach for Recorder and Guitar – arr. E. Reichenthal**

halleonard.com

*Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring***TREBLE RECORDER****Sonata Op. 5 No. 8 – A. Corelli**

Noetzel

*either 1st & 2nd, or 3rd & 4th mov***Sonatas Op. 1 – G. F. Handel**

Schott

*Any 2 movements from any Sonata***Sonata in G minor – G. F. Handel**

Faber

*Complete***LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER****Divertimento – L. Aked**

Albert &amp; Son

*Overture***Suite – B. Burrows**

Schott

*Complete***Clerisse**

Alphonse Leduc

*Fantasie***Spring Calls – B. Heler**

Schott

*Any one***Sonate in Alten Stil – H. Staeps**

Doblinger

*1st and 2nd movement***TREBLE RECORDER****Sonata – R. Finch**

Schott

*1st movement***Sonatina – P. Glanville-Hicks**

Schott

*2nd movement***Sonatine in G minor – R. Lerich**

Barenreiter Kassel

*1st or 3rd movement***LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER****Jazz Incorporated Vol. 1 – K. Bailey**

Kerin Bailey

*Stoker's Siding***Jazzy Recorder Vol. 2 – B. Bonsor**

Universal

*Reverie, Waltz for Mo***12 Christmas Impressions – G. Braun**

Moeck

*No. 5, 8 & 10 (All three)*



**Recipes – A. Bullard****Forsyth Brothers***Any one***TREBLE RECORDER****Jazz Incorporated Vol. 1 – K. Bailey****Kerin Bailey***Stoker's Siding***Z. Clarke****Orpheus Music/Download***Cold Honey***Recorders at Large Vol. 2 – I. Shanahan****Currency***Cathy's Song***TENOR RECORDER****Tenor Recorder Solos – Albeniz****Faber***Tango No. 9***SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a passage in a Major key up to three sharps or three flats, or in a Minor key up to two sharps or flats. In either simple or compound time. Using semiquavers and syncopation.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks****RHYTHM**

The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a four-bar passage played twice by the examiner in simple or  $\frac{6}{8}$  time. No note shorter than a quaver.

**INTERVALS**

The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Major 2nd, Minor, 3rd, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th, Perfect 5th, Minor 6th, Major 6th, Major 7th & Perfect Octave), starting on any note around middle C. The candidate must state the interval number and tonality when answering.

**PITCH**

The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing the higher of two notes played simultaneously by the examiner within the diatonic scale octave C to C. The key may be changed to accommodate voice range.

**HARMONY**

The Candidate will be asked to identify as major, minor, or augmented triads played in root position by the examiner. These will be played twice if necessary.

**TONALITY &  
CADENCE**

The Candidate will be asked to identify whether a phrase played by the examiner is in a major or minor key, and if the end cadence is Plagal (IV-I), Perfect (V-I) or Interrupted (V-VI).

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to identify and describe the following items as found in their chosen pieces:

**Form; ornaments; abbreviations; terms; keys; modulations; compound, inverted, diatonic or chromatic intervals; plagal, perfect and interrupted cadences.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE SEVEN**

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Examination Time: 35 Minutes.

Minimum pass mark 65%

**Suggested co-requisite:**

The AGMS recommends the Grade Four Theory of Music examination (or above) be passed in conjunction with Grade Seven practical.

Candidates may present their technical work on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder. For pieces, a combination of descant (tenor) and treble (bass) is recommended.

**TECHNICAL WORK****16 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:****Scales:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM =108 with four notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	F#, A & B	(1 octave)
	E $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	F# & B	(1 octave)
	C & E	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	F# & B	(1 octave)
	C & E	(1 ½ octaves)
Double Tonguing:	D	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	A	(1 octave)

**Broken Thirds:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM =108 with four notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
Minor:	F	(1 octave)

**Arpeggios:**

Ascending and descending

Tempo: MM =108 with three notes per beat

Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato

Major:	F#	(1 octave)
	G $\flat$ & C	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	D#	(1 ½ octaves)

**Treble Recorder:**

**Scales:** Ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM =108 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	D, B $\flat$ & E	(1 octave)
	A $\flat$	(1 ½ octaves)
Harmonic minor:	B $\flat$ & E	(1 octave)
	F & A	(1 ½ octaves)
Melodic minor:	B $\flat$ & E	(1 octave)
	F & A	(1 ½ octaves)
Double Tonguing:	G	(1 ½ octaves)
Chromatic:	D	(1 octave)

**Broken Thirds:** Ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM =108 with four notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs

Major:	A $\flat$	(1 octave)
Minor:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)

**Arpeggios:** Ascending and descending  
 Tempo: MM =108 with three notes per beat  
 Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato

Major:	C $\flat$ & F	(1 octave)
	B	(1 ½ octaves)
Minor:	A $\flat$	(1 octave)
	G $\sharp$	(1 ½ octaves)

**PERFORMANCE**

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Four pieces required: List A, B, C and D.

There are 5 lists to choose from. Choose 4 pieces, each from a different list.

A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is recommended at this level.

Memory work is encouraged but is not essential.

<b>LIST A:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST B:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST C:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>
<b>LIST D:</b> Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform	<b>16 Marks</b>

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>12 Melodious Exercises – J. Collette</b> <i>No. 11, 12</i>	<b>Universal</b>
<b>Fifteen Studies – A. Davis</b> <i>No. 14, 15</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>12 Advanced Studies Book 2 – G. Haverkate</b> <i>No. 9, 10, 11</i>	<b>Broekmans</b>

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Acht Melodische Studies – J. Collette</b> <i>No. 3, 5, 7</i>	<b>Muziekkuitgeverij</b>
<b>Dexterity Studies – F. Dinn</b> <i>No. 2, 3, 4, 10, 15</i>	<b>Lengnick</b>
<b>Masters of the 18th Century – F. J. Giesbert</b> <i>No. 1, 7</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Neuzeitliche Übungsstücke für die Altblockflöte – Hans-Martin Linde</b> <i>No. 1, 5, 7, 15</i>	<b>Schott</b>

**LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Musicali Melodie 1 – Cesare</b> <i>La Foccarina or La Giorgina</i>	<b>Max Hieber</b>
<b>Venetian Music About 1600 – Frescobaldi</b> <i>Sonata Prima (Fontana)</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Der Fluyten Lust-Hof – J. Van Eyck</b> <i>Fantasia en Echo</i>	<b>Schott</b>

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>R. Carr</b> <i>Divisions on an Italian Ground</i>	<b>Schott</b>
<b>Three Dances – J. Dowland</b> <i>Lachrimae or King of Denmark</i>	<b>Gitarren-Archiv</b>
<b>Sonata Seconda – D. Purcell</b> <i>Complete</i>	<b>Peters</b>

**LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Concerto No. 6 – J. Baston</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Sonata in A minor – G. F. Handel</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Sonata in C or Sonata in F – G. F. Handel</b>	<b>Faber</b>
<i>Complete</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Bach for Treble Recorder – Bach</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Allemande or Preludio</i>	
<b>Sonata in B flat Major De Fesch</b>	<b>Universal</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Suite I in D minor or Suite II in F major – Ch. Dieupart</b>	<b>Moeck</b>
<i>complete</i>	
<b>Sonata A minor Op. III/4 – J. Loeillet</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Sonata in Alten Stil – B. Marcello</b>	<b>Noetzel</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Sonata in G – Sammatini</b>	<b>Peacock Press</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Sonata in F Major – Telemann</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Complete</i>	

**LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Top Fourteen – V. Fortin</b>	<b>Doblinger</b>
<i>Allegro Vivace or Marche Grotesque</i>	
<b>Sonatine in F – R. Lerich</b>	<b>Barenreiter Kassel</b>
<i>either 1st &amp; 2nd, or 2nd &amp; 3rd movements</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Duo 116 for Treble and Violin – Baumann</b>	<b>Moeck</b>
<i>Any two movements</i>	
<b>Sonata – R. Finch</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Last movement</i>	
<b>Sonatina – P. Glanville-Hicks</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>1st or 3rd movement</i>	
<b>Sonatine Op. 48 – Heyl</b>	<b>Moeck</b>
<i>3rd Movement</i>	

**Sonatine in G minor – R. Lerich****Barenreiter Kassel***Complete***Minstril – K. Malone Forsyth Brothers***No. 2, 3, 10***Vaughan Williams****OUP***Fantasia on Greensleeves***LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER****Moon Time – H. Regner****Schott***No. 1, 2, 4***Chinesische Bilder – I. Yun****boosey.com***3rd Movement***TREBLE RECORDER****Top Fourteen – V. Fortin****Doblinger***White Blues***One on the Cool Side – M. Hall****marghallmusic.co.uk***Any two***Moon Time – H. Regner****Schott***No. 1, 2, 4***Chinesische Bilder – I. Yun****boosey.com***4th Movement***TENOR RECORDER****Chinesische Bilder – I. Yun****boosey.com***1st Movement***BASS RECORDER****Chinesische Bilder – I. Yun****boosey.com***2nd Movement***SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The Candidate will be asked to sight read a passage in a Major key up to four sharps or four flats, or in a Minor key up to three sharps or three flats. In any simple or compound time. Modulations and accidentals will be included.

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks**

<b>RHYTHM</b>	The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a four-bar passage played twice by the examiner in simple or $\frac{6}{8}$ time. No note shorter than a semiquaver.
<b>INTERVALS</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify intervals (Perfect Unison, Minor 2nd, Major 2nd, Minor 3rd, Major 3rd, Perfect 4th, Diminished 5th, Perfect 5th, Minor 6th, Major 6th, Minor 7th, Major 7th & Perfect Octave), starting on any note around middle C. The candidate must state the interval number and tonality when answering.
<b>PITCH</b>	The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing the higher of two notes played simultaneously by the examiner within the diatonic scale octave C to C. The key may be changed to accommodate voice range.
<b>HARMONY</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify as major, minor, diminished, or augmented, triads played in root position by the examiner. These will be played twice if necessary.
<b>TONALITY &amp; CADENCE</b>	The Candidate will be asked to identify whether a phrase played by the examiner is in a major or minor key, and if the end cadence is Plagal (IV-I), Perfect (V-I), Interrupted (V-VI) or Imperfect (I-V).

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

Candidates will be expected to:

- Know the background of the **composers** and of the **works** performed.
- Answer questions pertaining to the following items within the examination pieces:  
**Form; key signatures; modulations; compound, inverted, diatonic and chromatic intervals, perfect, plagal, imperfect and interrupted cadences.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**



**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: GRADE EIGHT (PROFICIENCY)**

Examination Time. 50 Minutes

Minimum pass mark 65%

**Additional Requirement:** To receive the Grade Eight certificate, Grade Five Theory of Music examination (or higher) must be completed.

Candidates may present their technical work on Descant/Tenor or Treble recorder. For pieces, a combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is required at this level.

**TECHNICAL WORK****16 Marks**

(All Technical Work from memory)

**Descant or Tenor Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
	C & D	(2 octaves)
Harmonic minor:	E	(1 ½ octaves)
	C & D	(2 octaves)
Melodic minor:	E	(1 ½ octaves)
	C & D	(2 octaves)
Double Tonguing:	E	(1 octave)
Chromatic:	C	(2 octaves)

<b>Broken Thirds:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	F	(1 octave)
Minor:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)

<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
	E	(1 ½ octaves)
	C & D	(2 octaves)
Minor:	E	(1 ½ octaves)
	C & D	(2 octaves)
Dominant 7th:	Starting on F, G & A	
Diminished:	Starting on D, E & F	

**Treble Recorder:**

<b>Scales:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	A	(1 ½ octaves)
	F & G	(2 octaves)
Harmonic minor:	A	(1 ½ octaves)
	F & G	(2 octaves)
Melodic minor:	A	(1 ½ octaves)
	F & G	(2 octaves)
Double Tonguing:	A	(1 octave)
Chromatic:	F	(2 octaves)
<b>Broken Thirds:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with four notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, Slurred in pairs	
Major:	B $\flat$	(1 octave)
Minor:	A	(1 octave)
<b>Arpeggios:</b>	Ascending and descending	
	Tempo: MM = 112 with three notes per beat	
	Articulation: All tongued, All slurred, Staccato, 2 slurred/1 staccato	
Major:	E $\flat$	(1 octave)
	A	(1 ½ octaves)
	F & G	(2 octaves)
Minor:	A	(1 ½ octaves)
	F & G	(2 octaves)
Dominant 7th:	Starting on A, B & C	
Diminished:	Starting on G, A & B	

**PERFORMANCE**

Time limit of 25 minutes

**80 Marks**

Four pieces required: List A, B, C and D.

There are 5 lists to choose from. Choose 4 pieces, each from a different list.

A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is required at this level.

Own Choice pieces: Approval from the AGMS is required.

**LIST A:** Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**16 Marks****LIST B:** Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**16 Marks****LIST C:** Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**16 Marks****LIST D:** Choose one piece from the given repertoire list to perform**16 Marks**

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST 1****DESCANT RECORDER****Sixteen Studies for Descant Recorder – Anon****Oberg Publications***No. 5 or 13***12 Advanced Studies Book 1 – G. Haverkate****Broekmans***No. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6***TREBLE RECORDER****Schule fur Altblockflote Book 2 – G. Braun****Hanssler***No. 5, 7, 11***Acht Melodische Studies – J. Collette****Muziekkuitgeverij***No. 4 or 8***Masters of the 18th Century – F. J. Giesbert****Schott***No. 5 or 10***Neuzeitliche Ubungsstucke fur die Altblockflote – Hans-Martin Linde****Schott***No. 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16***LIST 2****DESCANT RECORDER****Dances of the Jongleurs of Medieval Italy – ed. Kelber & Ulsamer****Moeck***Istampitta Ghaetta***Venetian Music About 1600 – Frescobaldi****Schott***Sonata Prima (Castello)***TREBLE RECORDER****Ricercte 4 – G. Bassano***Any movement***Parcham****OUP***Solo in G for Treble Recorder***LIST 3****DESCANT RECORDER****C. Bresgen****Sirius**

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Sonata in B flat – B. Marcello</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>Complete</i>	
<b>Bach for Treble Recorder – Bach</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Bourree and Gigue from Partita III</i>	
<b>E. Krahmer</b>	<b>Dolce</b>
<i>Concert Polonais Op. 5</i>	
<b>B. Marcello arr. Dolmetsch</b>	
<i>Concerto in D minor</i>	

**LIST 4****DESCANT RECORDER**

<b>Original Potpourri Op. 3 – E. Krahmer</b>	<b>Dolce</b>
<i>Complete</i>	

**SOPRANINO RECORDER**

<b>N. Butterley</b>	<b>Albert &amp; Son</b>
<i>The White Throated Warbler</i>	

**TENOR RECORDER**

<b>C. Hand</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Plaint</i>	

**TREBLE RECORDER**

<b>Debussy</b>	<b>Dolce</b>
<i>Syrinx</i>	
<b>Sonatina – Leigh</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>1st and 2nd movement</i>	
<b>Minstril – K. Malone</b>	<b>Forsyth Brothers</b>
<i>No. 6, 7, 9</i>	
<b>Sonata – H. Murrill</b>	<b>OUP</b>
<i>1st and 2nd movement</i>	
<b>Sonatine – F. Zipp</b>	<b>Schott</b>
<i>Complete</i>	

**LIST 5****DESCANT RECORDER****D. Holland****Albert & Son***Starlight***Moon Time – H. Regner****Schott***No. 3***TENOR RECORDER****Gentle Walker – Z. Clarke****Grevillea Ed***Complete***A. Davis****Peacock Press***Time Out of Mind***TREBLE RECORDER****Moon Time – H. Regner****Schott***No. 3***I'd Rather be in Philadelphia – P. Rose****Universal***Any two***F. Warnock****Orpheus Music***Rainforest Nocturne***SIGHT READING****7 Marks**

The candidate will be asked to:

- Sight read a passage with up to four sharps or four flats, either in a major or a minor key
- The passage will be in any simple or compound time
- Fluency is expected
- Candidates may practice the passage until the examiner requests the reading for assessment

**EAR TESTS****7 Marks****RHYTHM**

The Candidate will be asked to clap or tap a four bar passage played twice by the examiner Dotted rhythms and semiquavers will be used.

**PITCH**

The Candidate will be asked to hum or sing a two bar phrase played twice by the examiner in a key to suit the candidate. The phrase will be either chromatic or diatonic, including one or two quaver groups.

**HARMONY**

The Candidate will be asked to identify a triad as major or minor in root position or first inversion as played by the examiner.

**CADENCES**

The Candidate will be asked to name the cadences in a passage in a major key as played by the examiner. Pauses will be played at the cadence points. The passage will consist of a melody comprised of four phrases. Only the four cadences will be harmonized.

**GENERAL KNOWLEDGE****6 Marks**

Candidates will be expected to:

- Know the background of the **composers** and of the **works** performed.
- Answer questions pertaining to the following items within the examination pieces:  
**Form; key signatures; modulations; compound, inverted, diatonic and chromatic intervals; perfect, plagal, imperfect and interrupted cadences.**

**OPTION 1:**

The examiner will ask the candidate general questions based on the music performed. This option is for:

- in person examinations
- live online examinations

The outline given, is a guide to the candidate. The examiner may choose to ask any reasonable question relative to the grade in order to reach an assessment.

**OR**

**OPTION 2**

This option is for:

- Video examinations
- Optional for in person examinations in lieu of Option 1
- Optional for live online examinations in lieu of Option 1

Programme notes:

These should be a professionally presented document covering the general knowledge set for the grade and uploaded in the 'programme notes' section provided on the online entry form.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: RECITAL CERTIFICATE C.Mus.AGMS**

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Performance length: 25 Minutes

Minimum pass mark 70%

**Additional Requirement:** To receive the Certificate of Performance, Grade Five Theory of Music examination (or higher) must be completed.

**NOTES**

- The examination will consist of a 25 minute Recital.
- Teachers and Candidates may invite an audience to attend.
- Prepare Program notes with detailed information about the works performed. These are to be submitted to examiners at the Examination.
- A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is required at this level.
- Own Choice pieces: Approval from the AGMS is required.
- This program is regarded as preparation for the A.Mus.AGMS, and pieces performed at the C.Mus.AGMS Examination may be used as part of the program for the Associate Diploma with added repertoire to meet the requirements.

**ASSESSMENT**

- Performance and Presentation Skills 80%
- Program Notes 20%

**RECITAL PROGRAM**

Four Lists required: A, B, C, D

The Program may be Own Choice of an appropriate standard to make up a 25 minute Recital.

The Program selected must be submitted to the AGMS for approval prior to entry.

**ACADEMIC DRESS**

Successful Candidates will be entitled to wear the appropriate Academic Gown, hat and stole for the Recital Certificate and the Recital Diplomas. They will also be invited to attend the annual AGMS Graduation Ceremony to be presented with their Certificate or Diploma.

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**



## **RECORDER: ASSOCIATE DIPLOMA A.Mus.AGMS**

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**PRE-REQUISITE** AGMS Proficiency Certificate.

This examination, which consists of TWO parts, Practical and Theoretical, is a pre-requisite examination for the AGMS Licentiate Diploma.

### **PART ONE: THEORETICAL**

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Distinction: 90 marks and above

#### **THEORY OF MUSIC EXAMINATION**

All candidates must obtain a minimum pass of 70 marks in the AGMS Grade Six Theory of Music examination (or higher). No exemption can be granted from this condition.

### **PART TWO: PRACTICAL**

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Examination Time: 50 Minutes

#### **NOTES**

- A concert standard of performance will be expected.
- Candidates should prepare a Program of not less than 30 minutes and not more than 40 minutes playing time.
- A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is required at this level.
- It is a requirement that the candidate presents a balanced program that includes works of different styles and contrasting moods. Evidence of creativity and a personal style will be expected.
- If own choice pieces are presented, no approval is needed but if you are unsure of the standard you may apply for approval.
- One of the list pieces must be played from memory. Any performance from memory beyond this is entirely optional.
- Pieces may be performed with a backing track.
- Detailed Program notes should be compiled and presented by the candidate. This should include a Bio about the Performer and notes about Composers, form and structure, keys and modulations and interesting features of the works performed.
- Candidates are to provide a copy of each work for the use of examiners.

#### **ASSESSMENT**

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- Exam may last for 50 minutes
- Recital duration 30 minutes and not more than 40 minutes of playing time: 80%
- Program Notes: 20%

Pass: 70 – 89 Marks

Distinction: 90 - 95 Marks

High Distinction: 96 - 100 Marks

**PERFORMANCE**

Select four contrasting pieces from four different lists below.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**LIST D:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST A****DESCANT RECORDER**

**Der Fluyten Lust-Hof – Jacob van Eyck**

**Heugel**

*Amarilli Mia Bella*

**Twelve Fantasias for the Flute – G. Telemann**

**Schirmer**

*Schirmer's Library of Musical Classics No. 1, 3, 4, 5, 10, 11*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**LIST B****DESCANT RECORDER**

**George Telemann**

**Chester**

*Sonata in A minor (Flute and Continuo)*

**Two Canzonas – G. Ricco**

**Pro Musica**

*Either One*

**Venetian Music About 1600 – Fescobaldi, Castello & Fontana**

**Schott**

*Canzona, La Bernardinig*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER**

**J. Hotteterre arr. Walter Bergmann**

**Schott**

*Echos*

**Telemann**

**Schott**

*Sonata in F Major*

**B. Marcello**

**Ed. Moeck**

*Sonatas Op. 2, Sonata in D Major*

**Suite Three – C. Dieupart**

**Ed. Moeck**

*Complete*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**LIST C****DESCANT RECORDER****Own Choice***AGMS approval required***TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER****Drei Sonaten (3 Sonatas) – G. F. Handel****Schott***Sonata No. 1 or Sonata No. 2***Six Sonatas for Flute Op. 13 – Vivaldi****Hortus Musicus***Sonata No. 5 – Complete***Sonata in G – G. Sammartini****Nova***Complete (Sibley No. 12)***Suite in A Minor – Telemann****Schott***Complete***Vier Sonaten (4 Sonatas) Book 2 – C. Buterne****Noetzel***Sonata No. 4 in C minor***Own Choice***AGMS approval required***LIST D****DESCANT RECORDER****D. Townsend****Peters***Dance Improvisation and Fugue***H. Walter****Schott***Variations on a Theme by Handel***Own Choice***AGMS approval required***TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER****Hans-Martin Linde****Schott***Fantasien und Scherzi for Treble Recorder***Modern Music for Treble Recorder and Piano – Linde****Hans-Martin Linde***Sonatine (all)***E. Kalz****Verlag Doblinger***Petites Nocturnes***E. Sollima****Schott***Sonata***W. Bergmann****Schott***Sonata for Treble Recorder***Hans-Martin Linde****Schott***Sonata in D*

**G. Jacob**

*Sonata – Complete work*

**Musica Rara**

**W. Leigh**

*Sonatina*

**Schott**

**Suite for Treble Recorder and Piano – A. Cooke**

*Theme and Variations (any three variations)*

**Schott**

**Hans Gal**

*Three Intermezzi Op. 103*

**Schott**

**H. Ferguson**

*Three Sketches for Treble Recorder*

**boosey.com**

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE**

**100 Marks**

## **RECORDER: LICENTIATE DIPLOMA L.Mus.AGMS**

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### **PRE- REQUISITES**

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All candidates for this Diploma must at the date of entry hold the Associate Diploma of the AGMS in the same subject. However, the practical component of other Diplomas of equal status *may* be accepted at the discretion of the AGMS Head of Examinations and AGMS Committee approval. Documentary evidence should be included with a written application to the AGMS Council for this to be considered. But in all cases, candidates must successfully pass the AGMS Grade Seven Theory of Music examination to complete the requirements of this Licentiate Diploma.

This Licentiate Performers Diploma examination is in TWO PARTS. Both parts must be passed with a minimum of 70 marks.

### **PART ONE: THEORETICAL**

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(Distinction 90 marks and above)

All candidates must obtain a minimum pass of 70 marks in the AGMS Grade Seven Theory of Music examination (or higher). No exemption can be granted from this condition.

### **PART TWO: PRACTICAL**

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Examination Time: 60 Minutes

#### **NOTES**

- A concert standard of performance will be expected.
- Candidates should prepare a Program of not less than 35 minutes and not more than 45 minutes playing time.
- A combination of descant (or tenor) and treble (or bass) is required at this level.
- It is a requirement that the candidate presents a balanced program that includes works of different styles and contrasting moods. Evidence of creativity and a personal style will be expected.
- If own choice pieces are presented, no approval is needed but if you are unsure of the standard you may apply for approval.
- One of the list pieces must be played from memory. Any performance from memory beyond this is entirely optional.
- Pieces may be performed with a backing track.
- Detailed Program notes should be compiled and presented by the candidate. This should include a Bio about the Performer and notes about Composers, form and structure, keys and modulations and interesting features of the works performed.
- Candidates are to provide a copy of each work for the use of examiners.

**ASSESSMENT**

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- Exam may last for 50 minutes
- Recital duration 30 minutes and not more than 40 minutes of playing time: 80%
- Program Notes: 20%

Pass: 70 – 89 Marks      Distinction: 90 - 95 Marks      High Distinction: 96 - 100 Marks

**PERFORMANCE**

Select four contrasting pieces from four different lists below.

**LIST A:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform .

**LIST B:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**LIST C:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform .

**LIST D:** Choose any one piece from the given repertoire list to perform.

**REPERTOIRE LIST****LIST A****DESCANT RECORDER**

**Der Fluyten Lust-Hof – J. van Eyck**

**Heugel**

*Doen Daphne D'Over Schoone Maeght*

**Twelve Fantasias for the Flute – Telemann**

**Schirmer**

*No. 2 ,6, 7, 8, 9, 12*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER**

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**LIST B****DESCANT RECORDER**

**Sammartini**

**Schott**

*Concerto in F*

**J. Stanley ed. P. Kirby**

**OUP**

*Solo in D Minor Op. 1 No. 1*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER****Couperin****Schott***Le Rossignol en Amour***Own Choice***AGMS approval required***LIST C****DESCANT RECORDER****Own Choice***AGMS approval required***TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER****Drei Sonaten (3 Sonatas) – G. F. Handel****Heinrichshafen***Sonata No. 3***F. Couperin****Universal***Le Rossignol Vainqueur***J. B. Loeillet****Schott***Sonata in D Minor***Own Choice***AGMS approval required***LIST D****DESCANT RECORDER****A Marilli Mia Bella Hommage a Johann Jacob van Eyck – Linde****Schott***Any Two Pieces***Own Choice***AGMS approval required***TREBLE OR SOPRANINO RECORDER****Modern Music for Treble Recorder and Piano – Linde****Schott***Funf Studien (5 Studies) – All***A. Cooke****Schott***Theme and Variations***G. Jacob****Musica Hara***Variations***Own Choice***AGMS approval required*

**TENOR RECORDER**

**Variant (Tenor) – K. Lechner**

**Moeck**

*No. 1, 2 or 3*

**Own Choice**

*AGMS approval required*

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE**

**100 Marks**



**RECORDER: FELLOWSHIP DIPLOMA F.Mus AGMS**

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**PRE- REQUISITE**

- An AGMS Licentiate Diploma or equivalent.
- A candidate may also apply for admission to F.Mus.AGMS for recognition of prior learning by applying to the AGMS board.
- Board approval is necessary for entry to the Fellowship Diploma. The applicant must be able to demonstrate an empathy with AGMS and its philosophy. Apply in writing to the AGMS Head of Examinations for details.

**REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates may complete this diploma under any of the following categories.:

- (a) Research Thesis: 50,000 words. The candidate must apply in writing to the AGMS board for topic approval.
- (b) Composition: A major work. A thesis of 15,000 words is also required, with detailed explanatory notes on the composition.
- (c) A FULL Concert Performance: Recital in Public of 60 minutes minimum performance time. One of the items must be performed from memory. Any performance from memory beyond this is optional. A supporting Programme with extensive Program Notes on the works performed is required.

An honorary F.Mus.AGMS may be nominated and awarded by the AGMS board at their discretion based on the following criteria:

An original and unique innovation of outstanding importance within the framework of the AGMS philosophy, with sustained areas of excellence in Music and Speech by which teachers and students throughout Australia will benefit.



**RECORDER: CERTIFICATE OF TEACHING C.T.Mus.AGMS**

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Examination Time: 60 minutes

Minimum pass mark 70%

This examination is designed to demonstrate a teacher's ability over a wide musical background in reference to teaching from the earliest levels from Step One (Preparatory) through to Step Three (Preliminary), then Grade One and then through to Grade Two. This includes a thorough pedagogical approach, including an understanding and knowledge of teaching technique, repertoire, student development in relation to the chosen instrument.

The assessment is split into **two parts**:

- **Part one** is the **written folio**. A comprehensive document that includes the beginning stages of setting up a music teaching studio, the first 5 lessons of teaching and structured analysis of preparing students for step 1 through to grade 2.
- **Part two** is the **practical examination** and includes a presentation of a selection of the examination programmes studied in part one. This also includes a demonstration of how to overcome technical challenges with students and finally teaching unprepared elements of a student examination.

**PRE-REQUISITE**

- 80% pass mark (B+) or higher for Grade 6 performance or above

**PART ONE: WRITTEN FOLIO****40 Marks**

<b><u>SECTION A:</u></b> Setting up a teaching music studio (1000 - 2000 word limit)	<b>(10 Marks)</b>
<b><u>SECTION B:</u></b> Outline of the first 5 lessons (1000 - 2000 word limit)	<b>(10 Marks)</b>
<b><u>SECTION C:</u></b> Complete exam programmes (no word limit)	<b>(20 Marks)</b>

Folio is to be submitted to the AGMS two weeks prior to the practical examination.

The written folio should include the following:

- Setting up a teaching music studio including:**
  - Philosophy of teaching
  - Room layout
  - Child safety policy
  - Business elements including setting of rates, invoicing, account keeping
  - Advertising
- Outline of the first 5 lessons including the fundamentals of technique**
- Prepare one complete exam programme per grade, from Step 1 to Grade 2 inclusive**
  - Include a list of pieces chosen with scores for each piece
  - An analysis of each piece
  - Any technical challenges students might encounter in each piece and how to overcome these challenges. Candidates should discuss the importance of scales and/or exercises for developing technique.

**PART TWO: PRACTICAL EXAM****60 Marks**

<b>SECTION A: Technical Work:</b> Perform & then explain how to teach	<b>(20 Marks)</b>
<b>SECTION B: Repertoire:</b> Perform & then explain how to teach	<b>(25 Marks)</b>
<b>SECTION C: Supporting tests:</b> A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections	<b>(15 Marks)</b>

Candidates are to prepare the following for the practical examination:

**a. Technical Work: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Present (play) **all technical work** as set for AGMS Grade Two.
- **Explain & demonstrate** how the technical work is taught and any teaching strategies used.

**b. Repertoire: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Using the programmes prepared in PART ONE section C, select **one piece from each Step or Grade** to perform.
  - **Step 1** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Step 2** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Step 3** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 1** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 2** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
- **Discuss and demonstrate** the various **technical challenges** in the pieces after each performance and discuss how best to teach and correct these.

**c. Supporting tests: A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections**

- Present and outline teaching strategies for grade two supporting tests.
  - Aural Skills
  - Sight Reading
  - General Knowledge (these will be based on the pieces presented in your folio)

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: ASSOCIATE DIPLOMA OF TEACHING A.T.Mus.AGMS**

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Examination Time: 90 minutes

Minimum pass mark 70%

This examination is designed to demonstrate a teacher's ability over a wide musical background in reference to teaching at an intermediate level from Grade Three, through to an early advanced level, Grade Six. This includes a very thorough pedagogical approach, including an understanding and knowledge of teaching technique, repertoire, student development in relation to the chosen instrument.

The assessment is split into **two parts**:

- **Part one** is the **written folio**. A comprehensive document that includes how to keep students motivated, the place & purpose of music examinations, construction and care of the recorder and discussion of the different sizes and their use in ensembles as well as how to advise parents/students on purchasing an appropriate instrument, discuss teaching technical requirements, intonation and breathing, and a structured analysis of preparing students for grade 3 through to grade 6.
- **Part two** is the **practical examination** and includes a presentation of a selection of the examination programmes studied in part one. This includes a demonstration of how to overcome technical challenges with students and finally teaching unprepared elements of a student examination.

**PRE-REQUISITES**

- 80% pass mark (B+) or higher for C.Mus.AGMS or above performance
- 80% pass mark or higher Grade 5 Theory or above
- Award for C.T.Mus.AGMS

**PART ONE: WRITTEN FOLIO****40 Marks**

<b><u>SECTION A:</u></b> Student motivation and the place of music examinations (500 - 1000 word limit)	<b>(4 Marks)</b>
<b><u>SECTION B:</u></b> Construction and care of the recorder (1000 - 2000 word limit)	<b>(8 Marks)</b>
<b><u>SECTION C:</u></b> Technical requirements, intonation and breathing (1000 - 2000 word limit)	<b>(8 Marks)</b>
<b><u>SECTION D:</u></b> Complete exam programmes (no word limit)	<b>(20 Marks)</b>

Folio is to be submitted to the AGMS two weeks prior to the practical examination.

The written folio should include the following:

- How to keep students motivated and the place & purpose of music examinations**
- Construction and care of the recorder, including the different materials recorders are made from, both currently and historically. Discussion of the various sizes and their use in ensembles and the differences in how the music is written for each of the sizes. Also include the best options for recorder consorts etc. and how to advise parents/students on purchasing an appropriate instrument**
- Discuss teaching technical requirements, intonation and breathing**

**d. Prepare one complete exam programme per grade, from Grade 3 to Grade 6 inclusive**

- Include a list of pieces chosen with scores for each piece
- An analysis of each piece
- Any technical challenges students might encounter in each piece, and how to overcome these challenges. Candidates should discuss the importance of scales and/or exercises for developing technique.

**PART TWO: PRACTICAL EXAM****60 Marks****SECTION A: Technical Work:** Perform & then explain how to teach **(25 Marks)****SECTION B: Repertoire:** Perform & then explain how to teach **(20 Marks)****SECTION C: Supporting tests:** A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections **(15 Marks)**

Candidates are to prepare the following for the practical examination:

**a. Technical Work: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Present (play) **all technical work** as set for AGMS Grade Six.
- **Explain & demonstrate** how the technical work is taught and any teaching strategies used.

**b. Repertoire: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Using the programmes prepared in PART ONE section C, select **one piece from each Grade** to perform.
  - **Grade 3** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 4** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 5** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 6** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
- **Discuss and demonstrate** the various **technical challenges** in the pieces after each performance and discuss how best to teach and correct these.

**c. Supporting tests: A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections**

- Present and outline teaching strategies for grade six supporting tests.
  - Aural Skills
  - Sight Reading
  - General Knowledge (these will be based on the pieces presented in your folio)

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**

**RECORDER: LICENTIATE DIPLOMA OF TEACHING: L.T.Mus.AGMS**

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Examination Time: 90 minutes

Minimum pass mark 70%

This examination is designed to demonstrate a teacher's ability over a wide musical background in reference to teaching at an advanced level from Grade Seven, Grade Eight (Proficiency Certificate) through to Certificate level. This includes a very thorough pedagogical approach, including an understanding and knowledge of teaching technique, repertoire, and student development in relation to the chosen instrument.

The assessment is split into **two parts**:

- **Part one** is the **written folio**. A comprehensive document that includes discussing the importance of music education within the school curriculum, a discussion of technical skills for advanced levels, the history and development of the recorder, and a structured analysis of preparing students from grade 7 through to grade 8 (Proficiency) to C.Mus.AGMS (Certificate).
- **Part two** is the **practical examination** and includes a presentation of the examination programmes studied in part one. This includes a demonstration of how to overcome technical challenges with students and finally teaching unprepared elements of a student examination.

**PRE-REQUISITES**

- 80% pass mark (award) or higher for A.Mus.AGMS performance
- 80% pass mark or higher Grade 6 Theory or above
- Award for A.T.Mus.AGMS

**PART ONE: WRITTEN FOLIO****40 Marks****SECTION A:** Importance of music education within the school curriculum (500 - 1000 word limit) **(4 Marks)****SECTION B:** Technical skills for advanced levels (1000 - 2000 word limit) **(8 Marks)****SECTION C:** History and development of the recorder (1000 - 2000 word limit) **(8 Marks)****SECTION D:** Complete exam programmes (no word limit) **(20 Marks)**

Folio is to be submitted to the AGMS two weeks prior to the practical examination.

The written folio should include the following:

- Discuss the importance of music education within the school curriculum**
- Discussion of technical skills for advanced levels covering the following:**
  - Discuss the importance and development of technical skills for advanced levels
  - Discuss the differences in the use of ornamentation from Renaissance to the Modern era
- Discuss the history and development of the recorder from Renaissance to the Modern era.**

**d. Prepare one complete exam programme per grade for Grade 7, Grade 8, and Certificate**

- Include a list of pieces chosen with scores for each piece
- An analysis of each piece
- Any technical challenges students might encounter in each piece, and how to overcome these challenges. Candidates should discuss the importance of scales and/or exercises for developing technique.

**PART TWO: PRACTICAL EXAM****60 Marks****SECTION A: Technical Work:** Perform & then explain how to teach **(25 Marks)****SECTION B: Repertoire:** Perform & then explain how to teach **(20 Marks)****SECTION C: Supporting tests:** A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections **(15 Marks)**

Candidates are to prepare the following for the practical examination:

**a. Technical Work: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Present (play) **all technical work** as set for AGMS Grade Eight.
- **Explain & demonstrate** how the technical work is taught and any teaching strategies used.

**b. Repertoire: Perform & then explain how to teach**

- Using the programmes prepared in PART ONE section C, select **one piece from each Grade** to perform.
  - **Grade 7** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Grade 8** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
  - **Certificate C.Mus.AGMS** – Select 1 work to perform from the prepared programme.
- Discuss and demonstrate the various **technical challenges** in the pieces after each performance and discuss how best to teach and correct these.

**c. Supporting tests: A demonstration of teaching supporting test sections**

- Present and outline teaching strategies for grade eight supporting tests.
  - Aural Skills
  - Sight Reading
  - General Knowledge (these will be based on the pieces presented in your folio)

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE****100 Marks**



## REFERENCE BOOKS

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### RUDIMENTS

A Dictionary of Musical Terms	Greening	Williams
A Student's Dictionary of Music	W. Lovelock	Bell
Dictionary of Musical Terms	Baker	Allans
The Oxford Companion to Popular Music		
Modern Chords, A comprehensive Guide	Lorrel Sheridan	L. S. Pub
The Rudiments of Music	W. Lovelock	Bell

### GENERAL

A Method of Aural Training – 3 Books	Taylor	OUP
A Music Course for Students	Williams	OUP
Australian Composition in the Twentieth Century		OUP
Elementary Studies in Transposition	Newton	Williams
Harvard Dictionary of Music	Apel	H.E.B.
Lives of Great Composers	Pelican	
Music For the Handicapped Child	Alvin	Oxford
Music Therapy for Handicapped Children	Nordoff & Robins	George
Orchestral Technique	Jacob	OUP
Piano School Work Books All Grades		agms.edu.au
Pocket Dictionary of Music		Collins
Practical Transposition	H. Chambers	Allans
The Book of Modern Composers	Ewen	Knopf
The Great Conductors	Schonberg	Schuster
The Inner Game of Music	Barry Green	Pan Books
The Instruments of the Orchestra	Evans/Hind	B & H
The New Oxford Companion to Music	Arnold	OUP
The Progress of Music	Dyson	OUP
Transposition at the Keyboard	Rees-Davies	Curwen 8334



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