

Illness/Misadventure and appeals

Overview of clarifications

This information sheet helps schools understand the clarifications in this group of ACE Rules, but schools must view the rules on the NSW Curriculum website.

The clarifications to **Illness/Misadventure and appeals** include:

Appeals

NESA has clarified the rules for appealing declined Illness/Misadventure applications.

Illness/Misadventure program exclusions

The clarified rules outline the circumstances where NESA will not consider Illness/Misadventure applications.

Student responsibilities

NESA has clarified the process for students submitting illness/misadventure applications. These rules outline a student's responsibility for obtaining independent supporting evidence and completing the relevant sections of NESA's Illness/Misadventure form.

Independent evidence

NESA has strengthened the criteria for the submission of independent evidence and specified what evidence will not be accepted by NESA.

Principal responsibilities

NESA has clarified the actions principals must take when submitting Illness/Misadventure applications on Schools Online.

Application deadlines and procedures

NESA has clarified the circumstances where an Illness/Misadventure form may be submitted on behalf of a student. The rules also specify the deadlines for the submission of Illness/Misadventure forms.

NESA has published clarified ACE Rules on the NSW Curriculum website.

<https://curriculum.nsw.edu.au/ace-rules>

The clarified rules will be mandated from 14 October 2024, but schools must use the current rules until then. Schools must not implement the clarified rules before this date.

The clarified rules will apply to students commencing HSC courses from October 2024, sitting HSC exams in 2025, and receiving the RoSA from October 2024.

The current ACE Rules remain in effect for the 2023 and 2024 HSC. The current rules can be found at:

<https://ace.nesa.nsw.edu.au>

To find the right contact for enquiries about ACE Rules, visit the ACE Rules contact page:

<https://curriculum.nsw.edu.au/ace-rules/contact>