

Stage 2 Examinations – Timeframe and Unit Breakdown

Stage 2 has a timeframe of two cycles in total to complete all of the units and be awarded The Trading Standards Practitioner Diploma (TSPD).

Stage 2 consists of the following; Unit 4 Weights and Measures, Unit 4 Option (Food standards, Feed or Product Safety) Unit 5 and Unit 6.

An explanation of what each unit consists of is shown in the information table below:

UNIT 4	Weights & Measures	2-hour written exam	Practical and Oral exam Reflective statement Professional interview Portfolio
Plus one option:	Food Standards	1.5-hour written exam	Oral exam Portfolio
	Feed	1.5-hour written exam	Oral exam Portfolio
	Product Safety	1.5-hour written exam	Portfolio
	Laboratory Equipment – Metrology (Northern Ireland only)	1.5-hour written exam	Portfolio
UNIT 5	Investigations		Portfolio Professional interview
UNIT 6	Regulating Markets		Portfolio Professional interview

To try and accommodate candidates as much as we can, we do not ask that these units are completed in any order and the individual aspects of each unit can be broken down over the two consecutive exam cycles.

The only regulation is that you must submit your portfolios prior to sitting any practical, oral or professional interview examinations.

Portfolios for units without a practical and or oral examination or professional interview can be handed in at any time before the Qualification Panel (QP) submission date.

Candidates' results will not be ratified at the examinations board without all necessary aspects completed.