6. APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW OF RESULTS (APPEALS)

The following conditions apply to applications for a review of Junior Cycle results (appeals):

(i) Applications will be accepted only from the School Authority.

(ii) The SEC does not accept appeal applications or appeal fees directly from candidates, parents or individual teachers.

(iii) With the reintroduction of appeal fees, each appeal review carries a fee of €32 per subject. (Details of the payment of the fees are below).

(iv) To raise an appeal, the Principal (or authorised representative), must attest that the examination result attained by the candidate is significantly at variance with the school's considered judgement of the performance of the candidate concerned at the examination in question.

(v) For the reason set out in (iv), the SEC will not accept School or Class based appeal applications.

(vi) A valid appeal consists of both the online appeal application (see point A below), made by the Principal via the schools portal at https://schools.examinations.ie/, and the payment from the school (see point B). School authorities should complete the procedures in both A and B below. **Applications received where payment has been made by the candidate/parent will not be accepted.**

(vii) It is the schools responsibility to ensure that the appeal fee is collected from the individual candidates.

A. *NEW FOR 2026 *Junior Cycle Appeal Application Online Service

For 2026 the SEC has introduced an online appeal application process via the SEC Schools Portal. The Junior Cycle Appeals Application service will be open between

10am Thursday 8 October and 5pm Wednesday 14 October.

Upon closure of the online application service, you will receive an invoice for the total amount owing at a fee of €32 per subject which must be paid, as set out in part 2 below, to conclude the appeal application process. Both the appeal applications and the payment steps must be completed before the appeals are confirmed as accepted by the SEC.

1. Online Appeals Application step-by-step process:

- Log onto your Schools Portal using your principal login at https://schools.examinations.ie
- Select the Junior Cycle Appeals Application TAB
- For each appeal you wish to make, select the correct candidate number from the list for your school
- Tick the appropriate result subject and level to be appealed for that candidate
- Hit Appeal – Repeat this for all of the appeal application(s) in your school.
- A running total of appeal(s) for your school will appear at the bottom and this/these can be amended (added to or applications deleted) up to the application deadline of 5pm Wednesday 14 October 2026, after which these selections will be automatically taken as your provisional* appeal application(s) for your school.
- **Appeals can only be made using the online application service. The deadline of 5pm Wednesday 14 October 2026 will be strictly applied.**
- After the closing date the SEC will notify schools via email on Thursday 15 October confirming the provisional* appeal applications and the invoice amount specific to your school.

*subject to fee payment.