

SQE: scaled scoring and SQE1 results

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Why use scaled scores?

- Common standard across papers and assessment windows provides more flexibility for candidates
- Provides standardised scoring, making interpretation easier
- Scaled scores are widely used, and provide consistency
- It means all our assessments will be directly comparable
- Scaled scoring only changes the way we view results

Score scaling - overview

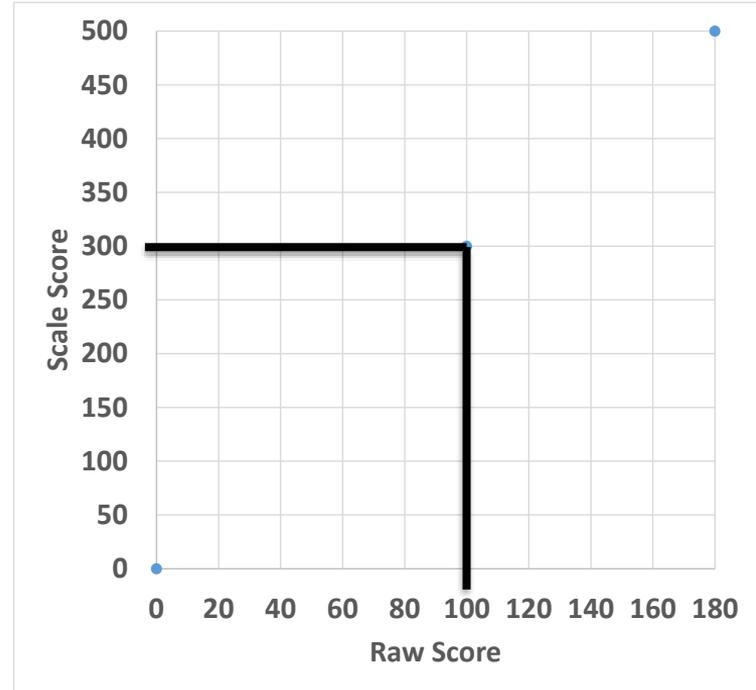
1. Carry out standard setting, establish a pass mark
2. Set the pass mark to equal 300
3. Calculate the relationship between raw score and scale scores between 0 and 300
4. Do the same for scores between 300 and 500
5. Convert candidate scores to a scale score
6. Repeat for each distinct paper in an assessment window
7. Award all candidates a pass/fail based on their scale score

Score scaling – Step 1

- Carry out standard setting, establish a pass mark
- This establishes the passing standard for each paper
- Follows well established standard setting methods to provide a pass mark for each paper
- This pass mark is used throughout the process, but will always be set to 300 on our scaled score

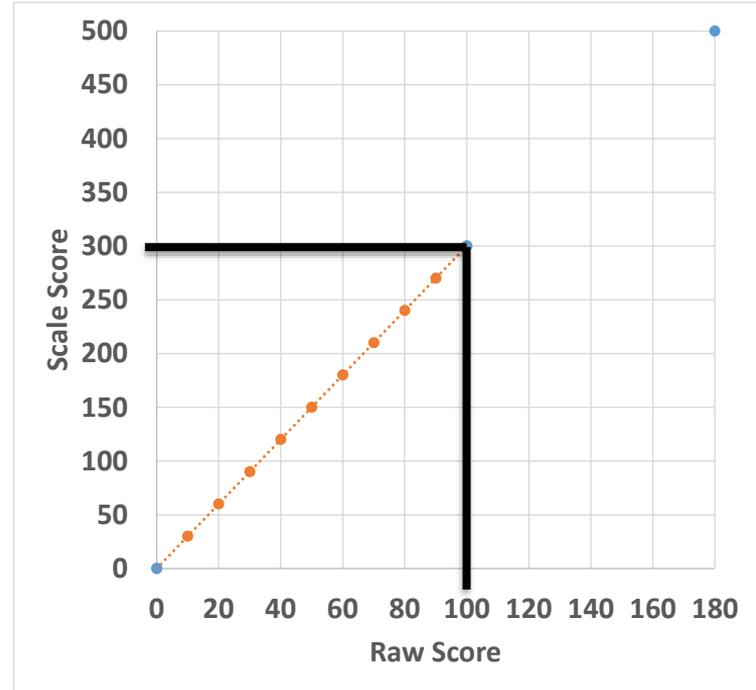
Score scaling – Step 2

- Set the pass mark to equal 300
- In this example the pass mark is set at 100 correct answers out of a maximum of 180



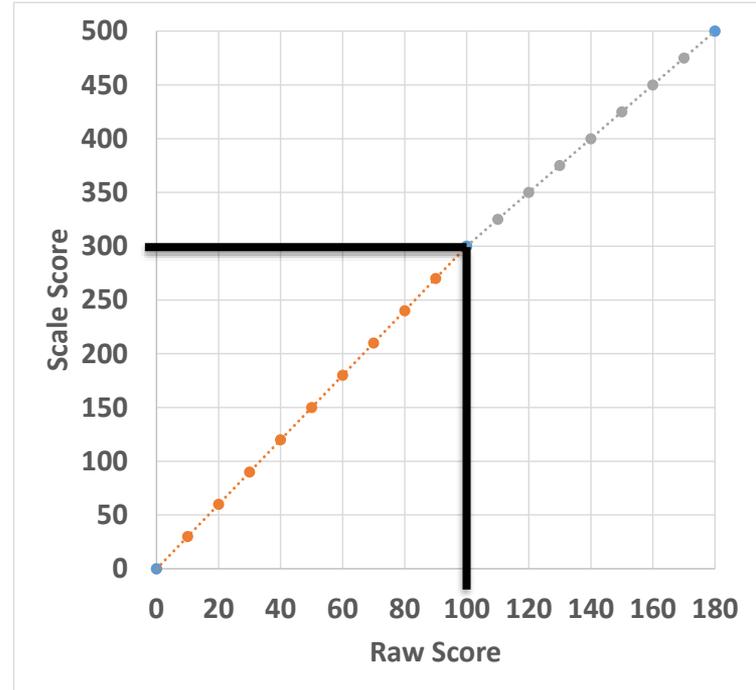
Score scaling – Step 3

- A line is drawn showing the relationship between raw scores and scale scores between 0 and the pass mark



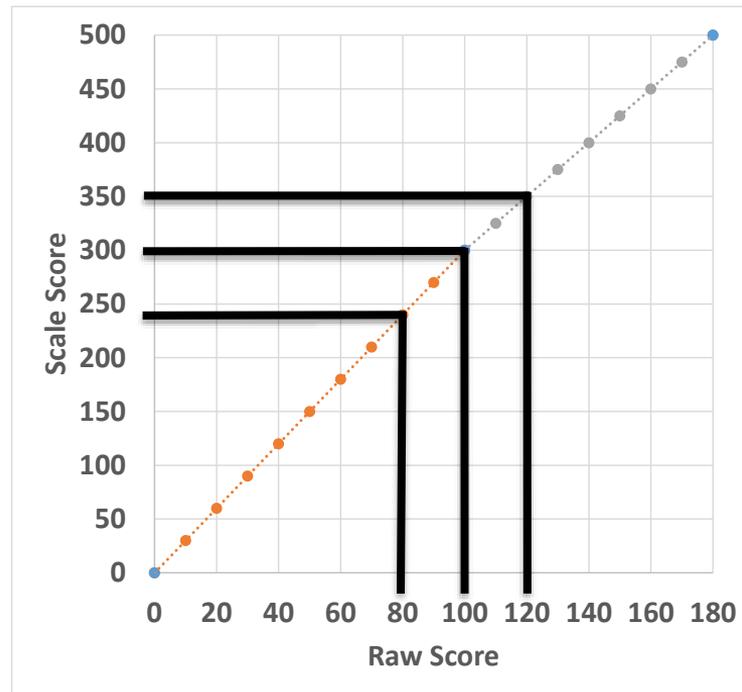
Score scaling – Step 4

- Another line is drawn to show the relationship between raw scores and scale scores between 300 and 500



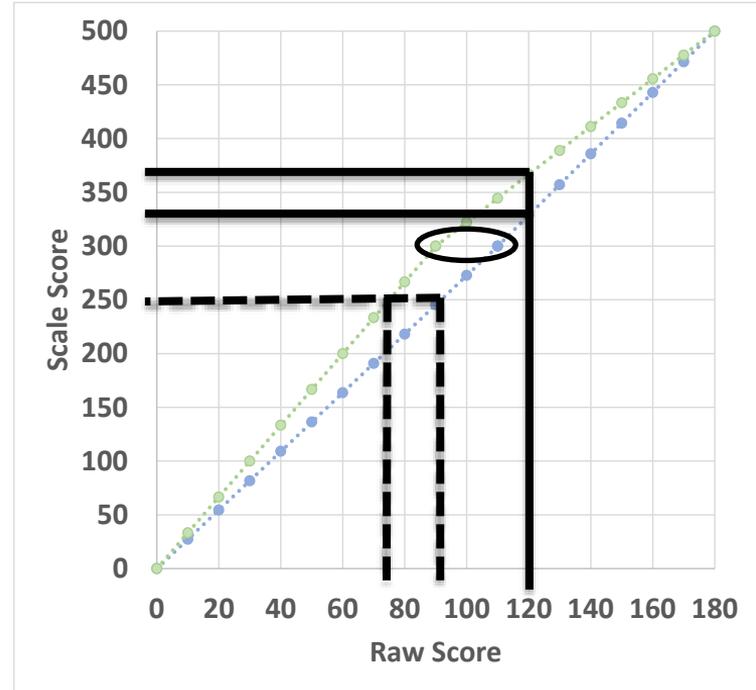
Score scaling – Step 5

- Convert candidate scores to a scale score
- In this example
 - 80 = 240
 - 100 = 300 (pass mark)
 - 120 = 350



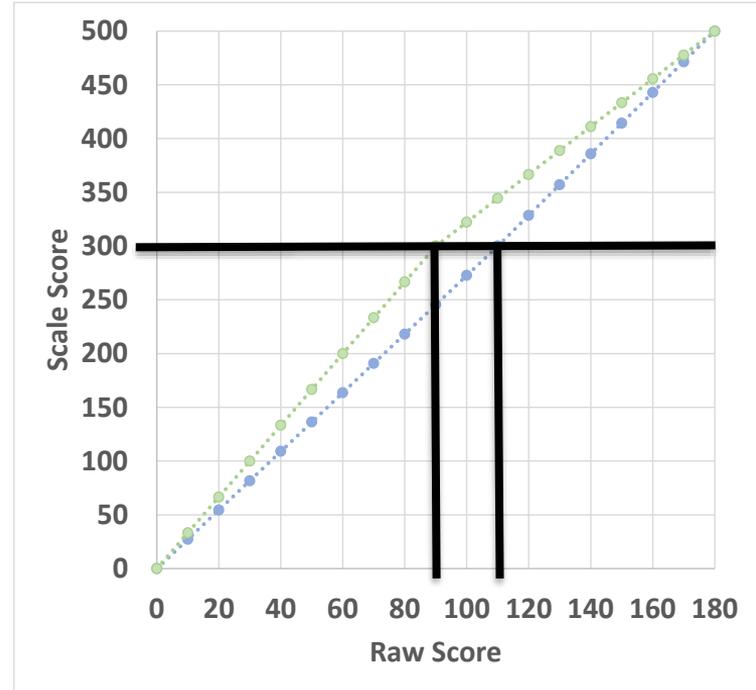
Score Scaling – Step 6

- Repeat for each distinct paper in an assessment window
- In this example there are two sets of scaling
 - Green has a pass mark of 90
 - Blue has a pass mark of 110
 - Both scale to 300 as indicated by the circle
- Scaling is different for every paper, but the scale pass mark is always 300 and scores are adjusted either side of this



Score scaling – Step 7

- Award all candidates a pass/fail based on their scale score
- Anyone with 300 or more will pass the assessment



Summary

- Score scaling provides a standardised way of describing and comparing multiple papers
- Underlying processes remain the same
 - Standards are set as usual
 - Psychometric analysis provides the same comprehensive test validation
- Only the final scores are converted to provide direct comparability between papers and deliveries
- Because the outcomes relate to the pass mark, outcomes are the same for both raw score and scale score pass marks

FLK1 Results page

- Core information
- Deadline to pass SQE
- Overall result

Your assessment results

Candidate name: Firstname Lastname

Candidate ID: CSQE912345XX67

SQE1 FLK1

Date of assessment: 01 January 2025

Date of transcript: 01 March 2025

Attempt number: 1 of 3

Deadline to pass SQE: 01 January 2031

Pass mark: 300

Your mark: 390

Correct answers: 136 / 180

Quintile: 1

Result: **PASS**

FLK2 Results page

- Core information
- Overall result
- Previous results
- Full breakdown

SQE1 FLK2

Date of assessment:	01 January 2025
Date of transcript:	01 March 2025
Attempt number:	1 of 3
Deadline to pass SQE:	01 January 2031
Pass mark:	300
Your mark:	162
Correct answers:	55 / 180
Quintile:	5
Result:	NOT PASS

[SQE1 full breakdown of marks](#) ▼

[View previous results](#)

Using the full breakdown

- By practice area
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SQE1 full breakdown of marks

SQE1 FLK1

Practice area	Mark
Business Law and Practice	399
Dispute Resolution	452
Contract Law	338
Tort	345
Legal System	429
Legal Services	331
Ethics and Professional Conduct	487

SQE1 FLK2

Practice area	Mark
Ethics and Professional Conduct	306
Property Practice	231
Wills and Intestacy	163
Land Law	185
Trusts Law	121
Criminal Liability	82
Criminal Law and Practice	136

Note: Marks are placed on a scale of 0 to 500 for each practice area, relative to the passmark of 300 for each assessment. A breakdown of performance by all candidates in this assessment can be found in the post-assessment statistical report, once published. Please also see further explanation of [what's included in your SQE1 results](#).