

MHHS Qualification Advisory Group (QAG) Headline Report

Issue date: 21/08/2026

Meeting number **QAG 031**

Venue **Virtual – MS Teams**

Date and time **19 August 2026 10:00-11:00**

Classification **Public**

Actions

Area	Action Ref	Action	Owner	Due Date	Update
Previous meeting	QAG22-02	The Code Bodies to carry out risk assessments and outline the impact of PPs that are behind schedule when milestone decisions are presented to QAG for approval.	Code Bodies	19/08/26	ONGOING: To be undertaken when the next milestone decisions are presented.

Decisions

Area	Decision Ref	Description	Rationale
Headline Report and Actions	QAG-DEC131	The Headline Report of QAG meeting held 22 July 2026 was approved.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the document, to which none were received.
Programme Milestones Related to QAG	QAG-DEC132	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T3-QU-0136 '80% of M14 Critical Wave 3 Participants Qualification approved by BSC PAB and REC Manager'.	The Chair invited objections to the approval of the milestones, to which none were received.
	QAG-DEC133	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T2-QU-0250 'All M14 Critical Wave 3 Participants Qualification approved by BSC PAB and REC Manager'.	

	QAG-DEC134	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T3-QU-0109 'Qualification Wave 4 Participants have submitted their Final QAD'.	
M14 Checkpoint	QAG-DEC135	The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, recommended to PSG that the M14 decision is on track to be made in accordance with the M14 Acceptance Criteria and that the notification to Ofgem of no central Qualification issues can be sent in accordance with Qualification Approach and Plan Annex 4.	The Chair invited objections to the recommendation, to which none were received.

Key Discussion Items

Area	Discussion
Headline Report and Actions	DECISION: The Headline Report of QAG meeting held 22 July 2026 was approved (QAG-DEC131) (Recording timestamp: 01:00). The Chair noted that action QAG30-01 is recommended closed as the Redline Annex 5.0 document has been uploaded to the Collaboration Base and website. With regards to QAG22-02, the Chair noted this will remain ongoing until all milestones considered by QAG have been completed, to ensure associated risks continue to be considered. No objections or comments were raised.
Programme Milestones Related to QAG	<u>Wave 3 Milestones</u> Code Bodies sought approval of Wave 3 T3 and T2 milestones on the basis that 100% Wave 3 PPs have been qualified via the BSC PAB and REC Manager as of 12 August 2026. DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T3-QU-0136 '80% of M14 Critical Wave 3 Participants Qualification approved by BSC PAB and REC Manager' (QAG-DEC132) (Recording timestamp: 04:09). DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T2-QU-0250 'All M14 Critical Wave 3 Participants Qualification approved by BSC PAB and REC Manager' (QAG-DEC133) (Recording timestamp 04:09)

	<u>Wave 4 Milestone</u> Code Bodies sought approval of a Wave 4 T3 milestone on the basis that all Wave 4 PPs submitted their Final QADs on 24 July 2026. Code Bodies further noted 93% of Wave 4 Final QAD reviews have been completed and the deadline for reviewing is 21 August 2026. DECISION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, approved T3-QU-0109 'Qualification Wave 4 Participants have submitted their Final QAD' (QAG-DEC134) (Recording timestamp: 04:09). No objections or comments were raised. The Chair thanked all Parties for efforts made to progress.
M14 Checkpoint	The Programme presented evidence supporting the M14 Acceptance Criteria and conducted a dry run of the M14 decision-making process. The Programme reminded representatives that this checkpoint forms part of the approved M14 governance choreography and will trigger notification to Ofgem that no central Qualification issues have been identified. The Programme highlighted the following evidence was taken to QWG, receiving positive responses from PPs. <u>The M14 Acceptance Criteria</u> The Programme confirmed that the M14 Acceptance Criteria continue to be met. They noted criterion #2 is expected to be marked complete in the upcoming PSG, following the test completion evidence provided at this QAG and the BSC Mod P514 implementation on 27 August 2026. <u>M14 Criteria 1 Evidence</u> Code Bodies presented supporting evidence demonstrating that Qualification SLAs have been consistently met across all four Qualification Waves and that no centrally attributable Qualification delays have affected PPs. Code Bodies highlighted QT completed ahead of schedule across all Waves, with Wave 1 completing one week early, Wave 2 one month early, Wave 3 two weeks early and Wave 4 one month early. Code Bodies also confirmed there were no central QT Framework defects or availability issues that materially impacted Qualification activities. <u>M14 Criteria 2 Evidence</u> Code Bodies presented evidence from the Annex 4 trial run, noting the trial included execution of steps 6-13. They highlighted that step 1 was completed in April 2026 and steps 2-5B remain outside trial requirements and are currently ongoing as part of MPID intention plans.

Code Bodies confirmed that the end-to-end data gathering exercise was completed for PPs that would be subject to the Annex 4 process.

Code Bodies outlined that communications were issued and received in accordance with the documented process, with evidence retained for audit purposes. They noted all stages of the trial were successfully completed, and responses were received from all relevant Parties, including RECCo, Ofgem and the volunteer participant involved.

Code Bodies noted that step 9, relating to the removal of PP access to CSS, was not physically undertaken during the trial. However, assurance was provided through a Live Working Instruction and evidence of previous successful process execution by RECCo.

M14 Criteria 3 Evidence

The Helix Operational Control Centre Lead confirmed that no PPs have been off-track for DIP onboarding at the point of reporting for the last four consecutive months and that all priority onboarding invitations continue to be issued within target timescales.

Code Bodies noted that Service Activation is being tracked closely through alignment sessions and there are no current concerns. They added that confidence in ISD release remains strong.

Letter to Ofgem

Code Bodies presented the draft Letter to Ofgem, which forms part of the Annex 4 process and is used to notify Ofgem of any material issues that could impact a PP's ability to achieve Qualification by M14.

The Programme advised that the letter would confirm whether no material issues have been identified or detail any issues where applicable. The letter will be jointly signed by BSC, RECCo and the Programme prior to submission.

Recommendation to QAG for PSG

- The Programme asked representatives whether the evidence provided was sufficient to support the M14 decision in October 2026. The representatives agreed that it was.

RECOMMENDATION: The Chair, acting with delegated authority of the MHHS Senior Responsible Owner, recommended to PSG that the M14 decision is on track to be made in accordance with the M14 Acceptance Criteria and that the notification to Ofgem of no central Qualification issues can be sent in accordance with Qualification Approach and Plan Annex 4 (**QAG-DEC135**) (**Recording timestamp: 19:23**).

No objections were raised.

Qualification Progress and RAID Review	<u>RAID Review</u> The Programme provided a high-level overview of risks related to Qualification and M14 delivery. The Programme outlined that the two Green milestones on the slide will be marked Blue following this QAG. The Programme noted that R1251 has reduced due to successful management of MP8 and declining volumes within MP12. The Programme highlighted confidence that Code Bodies resource levels remain sufficient to support anticipated demand through to M14. The Programme outlined that one PP is currently in Stage 4 Escalation and one PP is in Stage 1 Escalation, increasing confidence risks associated with potential sanctions for PPs that do not Qualify by M14. The Programme emphasised these risks do not impact the ability to proceed with the M14 decision but may result in additional assurance and support activities after M14. With regards to R1284, the Programme noted that only two MPID intention plans remain outstanding and are expected to be presented to PAB on 27 August 2026. They confirmed that all other unqualified MPIDs are either actively progressing through Qualification or have no registered MPANs. <u>BSC Enduring Qualification Update</u> BSC provided an update on Enduring Qualification. They advised that Supplier 7 is expected to become the first PP to complete the Enduring Qualification process and is due to be presented to PAB on 27 August 2026. BSC provided an update to the meeting papers, noting M14 Critical Suppliers 1 and 2 have now completed the QRA stage and are expected to complete QTF activities by 21 August 2026. <u>RECCo Enduring Qualification Update</u> RECCo confirmed that progress remains largely unchanged since the update provided at QWG on 11 August 2026 and advised that Enduring Qualification activities continue to progress as planned. RECCo also provided an update to the meeting papers, noting that Distributor 1 has completed internal testing and is expected to commence external testing later in August 2026.
Programme Updates	The Secretariat took the Programme updates as read.
Summary and Next Steps	The Chair and Secretariat ran through the actions and decisions captured from the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 16 September 2026

Attendees

Chair

Adrian Ackroyd (alternate for Warren Fulton)

MHHS SRO/Chair

Industry Representatives

Andrew Wallace (alternate for Jonny Moore)

RECCo Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Jessica Davis

DIP Manager

David Moss

Elexon Representative (as Qualification Agent)

Graham Wood

Large Supplier Representative

Clare Hannah

Supplier Agent Representative

Rachel Stringfellow

Medium Supplier Representative

Andrew Green (alternate for Gareth Evans)

I&C Supplier Representative

Erik Baguzis

iDNO Representative

Helen Clarke

Supplier Agent Representative (Independent)

MHHS IM

Malinsa Abeysundara

PMO

Mayur Depala

Programme Industry SME

Jason Brogden

Programme Industry SME

Other Attendees

Liam Evans

IPA

Andy MacFaul

Ofgem

Carlota Soumah Fernandez

REC Qualification Team

Rebecca Mottram

REC Qualification Team

Matt Martin

Helix Operational Control Centre Lead

Sean Dryden-Woods

REC Enduring Qualification Team

Ryder Agolli

BSC Enduring Qualification Team

Sarah Ross

Elexon Qualification Team

George Player

Elexon Qualification Team

Apologies

Warren Fulton

MHHS SRO/Chair

Seat vacant

Small Supplier Representative

David Yeoman

DNO Representative

Jonny Moore

RECCo Representative

Gareth Evans

I&C Supplier Representative