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Subject: SEC Art – updates to syllabus

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MATSEC would like to inform schools, educators and candidates with the following changes to the SEC Art 2027 syllabus:

The controlled papers:

Paper I – Work from Observation – Still Life – set at Level 1-2-3 with a set-up of 4 natural/ man-made objects.

Paper II – Composition from a theme set at levels 1-2 and 2-3.

Kindly refer to the syllabus for further information about the scheme of assessment.

Paper to be used during the exam:

During the examination, the paper types that will be offered to candidates are as follows: A3 size paper (297 x 420 mm) is provided by MATSEC to be used during the examination. Textured linen board paper 330gsm or Smooth paper 330gsm for either wet or dry media, as well as preparatory paper for sketching at 80 gsm weight.

Please note that candidates will only be allowed to use the paper supplied by MATSEC during the examination.

Further details can be found in the respective subject syllabi, accessible via the MATSEC website:

<https://www.um.edu.mt/matsec/>.
