

Is your calculator approved for use in the exams?

Only approved basic scientific calculators may be used in examinations for Mathematics modules. (The only exception is that in a small number of Mathematics examinations calculators are not allowed at all.)

The following models are automatically approved:

- The *Casio fx-82, fx-83, fx-85, fx-300, fx-350* series (models *fx-82SX, fx-83SX, fx-83WA, fx-85MS* etc)
- The *Sharp EL-531* series (models *EL-531GH, EL-531LH* etc)

Any other calculator needs approval before you can take it into a Maths exam. To get this approval, come and show your calculator to Dr Margit Messmer in Room 8.18h in the School of Maths before using it in an exam.

A guide to which calculators are NOT APPROVED

If the answer to *ANY* of the following questions is "yes" the calculator is **NOT APPROVED**:

- Is it a graphics calculator?
- Is it programmable?
- Can it store information?
- Can it do matrix calculations?
- Can it solve calculus problems? (A calculator which can solve calculus problems often has a button with an integration sign on it.)
- Can it solve simultaneous linear equations?
- Can it solve quadratic equations?

The following Casio models can all do at least some of these things and so are **not allowed**: the Casio *fx-115, fx-570* and *fx-991* series (a few early models in these series such as the *fx-115S, fx-570S* and the *fx-991S* may be exceptions to this, but you need to come and check.)