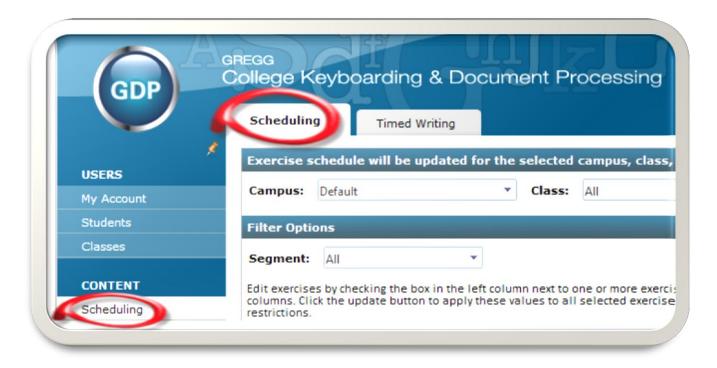
INSTRUCTOR: Scheduling Strategies



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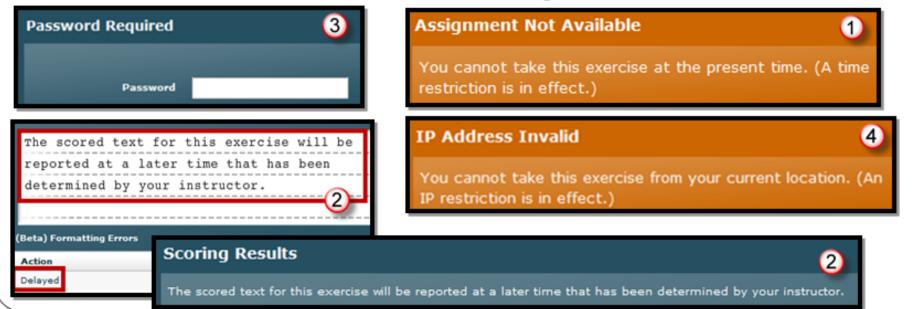


Note: This presentation is intended for instructor use only. You will learn about GDP's Scheduling features, which are accessed via GDP's Course Manager program. Your specific procedures may vary.

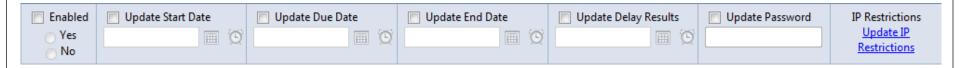
Scheduling Overview



- Enabled—Yes, is the default meaning that when you first use GDP, all Lessons menus (except for Objective Tests) include all lesson components.
- Enabled—No removes one or more designated items, such as a skillbuilding drill or document, from the GDP Lessons menu.
- All other Scheduling choices, except for Due Date, restrict a designated Lessons menu item making it inaccessible in some way—for example, if a restricted menu item is clicked, the student might see:



Scheduling Applications



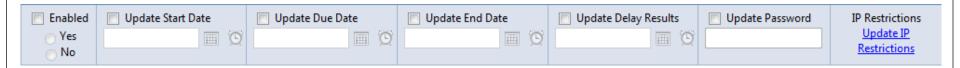
Designate one or more specific GDP menu items; then take one or more of the following actions:

- Enabled—Yes/No: Customize GDP menus by disabling a menu item so that it does not appear on a menu.
- Update Start Date and Update End Date: Add a Start Date and an End Date to a GDP menu item to limit access to that item so that it is accessible on the menu only between the dates and times you designate.
- Update Due Date: Add a Due Date to specify the last date and time an exercise can be attempted for full credit. This feature is applicable only if you are using GDP's Gradebook feature.



Note: See the handout "Scheduling & Report Strategies For Testing & Document Processing" for details on all topics in this presentation.

Scheduling Applications (cont'd)



- Update Delay Results: Delay the display of Scoring Results when students use Edit Work or Details in the Portfolio after completing a document and delay the display of General Comments and Annotations. The Scoring Results will still be viewable in Course Manager, and you can still add General Comments and Annotations.
- Update Password: Add (or remove) a password for a GDP menuitem so that the student is forced to enter a password when that item is selected from the GDP menu.
- IP Restrictions: Limit student access to menu items to specific computers using specific IP addresses; for example, you could limit access to items so they are accessible only at testing workstations in your classroom or lab.

Class and Section Setup

- GDP Classes and Sections can be created and set up in a myriad of ways. Before using any Scheduling feature, first review the protocols you followed when you created your GDP Classes and Sections.
- Recommendations in this presentation assume that you have (1) created one Section per Class and (2) forced Scheduling Preferences to all Sections.
- Such recommendations are identified as "Best Practice" suggestions and will be noted at various points in this presentation.
- Note: See "Managing Classes & Preferences in Course Manager," "Create New Class and Manage Preferences and Resources" for details on creating Classes and Sections that help ensure autonomy.

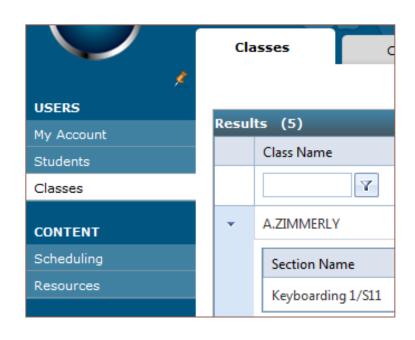
Best Practices (BP)

- Consider following any "Best Practice" recommendation in your own course to help ensure that GDP behaves seamlessly, predictably, and intuitively.
- Always take your own course and campus requirements into consideration—follow procedures that make best sense in your particular situation.
- If you have already begun the school term, it is best to leave your Classes and Sections in place as they are and make changes to your Class and Section protocols when you set up classes for the next school term.



BP: Class/Section Names

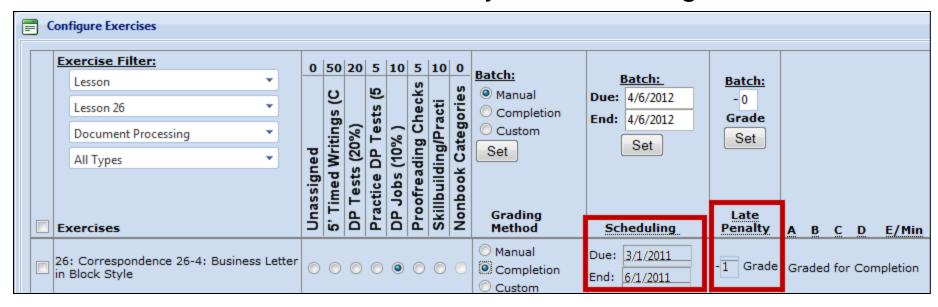
Best Practice: The simplest way to achieve desired Scheduling results and to help ensure autonomous GDP Class and Section Scheduling is to do this:



- Create one Section per Class.
 - ✓ The Class Name should identify the instructor (typed in all caps to distinguish it).
 - The Section Name must be unique: identify your course and the school term.

BP: Preferences

 If you are using GDP's Gradebook, set any desired Due Dates and End Dates when you use Configure Exercises.



Note: Don't force Scheduling Preferences to all Class Sections as described next until you have set Scheduling via Configure Exercises. Doing so causes lock icons to appear in the Scheduling column, which will block you from changing these settings here.



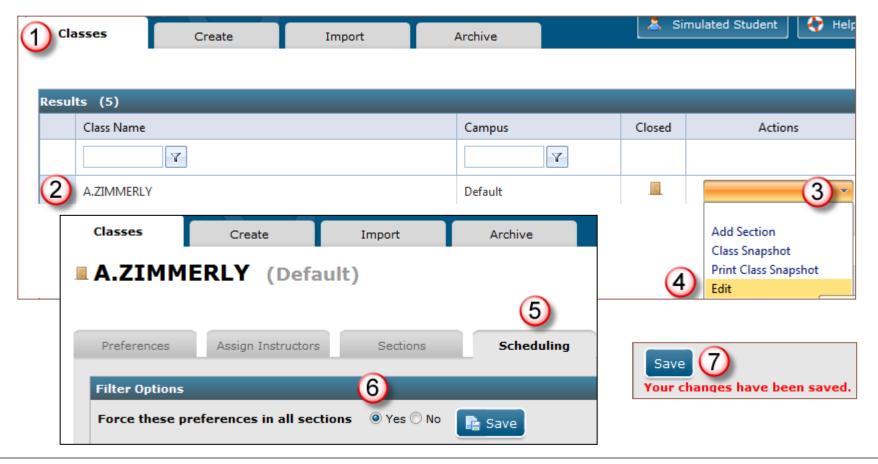




BP: Preferences (cont'd)



 Force Scheduling Preferences to all Class Sections:



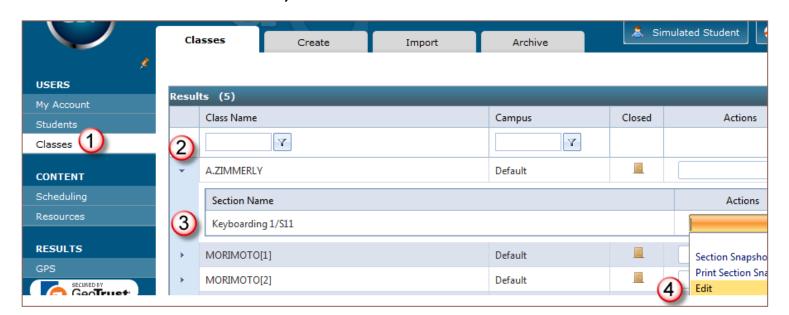


BP: Second Choice

Where is Lesson 41%

Best Practice: If you followed different protocols, you could inadvertently change other instructors' Scheduling settings! To avoid such a mistake:

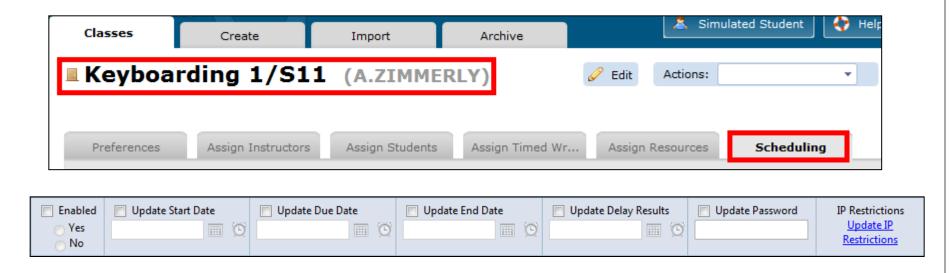
1.Navigate directly to your desired Class Section, and click Edit.



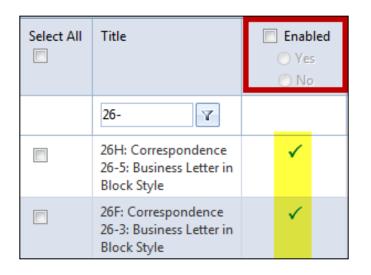




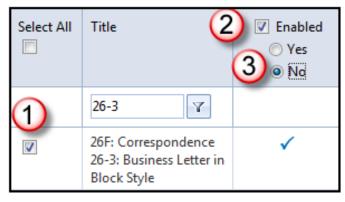
2.Use the Scheduling tab (described in the rest of this presentation) to change Scheduling for that particular section.



Enabled—Yes or No



 All GDP menu items (except for Objective Tests) are enabled by default as evidenced by the checkmarks under the Enabled column.

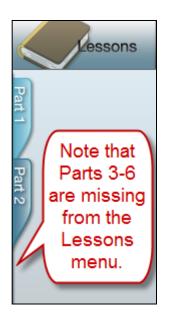


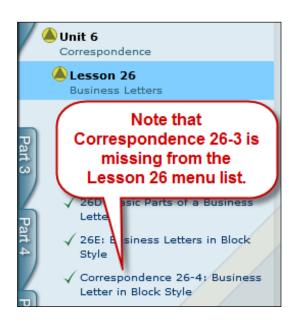


 Customize GDP menus by disabling GDP menu items. For example, follow these steps to disable Correspondence 26-3 and remove it from the Lesson menu.

Enabled—Yes or No (cont'd)

- Here are some examples of why you might disable a
 GDP menu item to remove it from the Lessons menu:
 - ✓ Your course includes only Lessons 1-40, and you want to remove (disable) all other lessons (Part 3-Part 6) from the GDP menu.

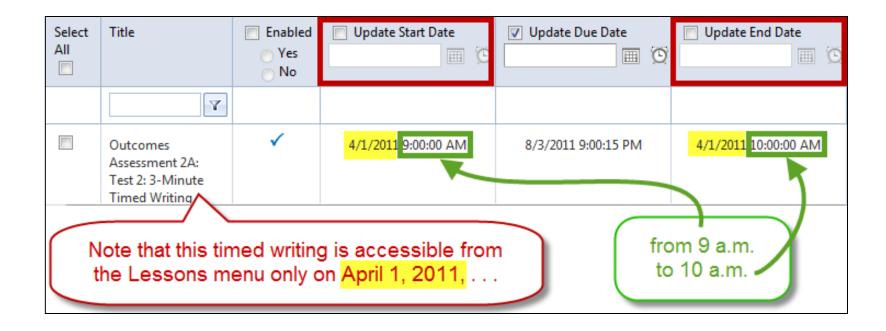




✓ You want to remove Correspondence 26-3 from the Lesson 26 menu because it is not required in your course.

Start Date/End Date

- Add a Start Date and End Date so the assignment is accessible only between those dates. For example:
 - ✓ You want to administer a document or timed writing as a test; therefore, you change settings so that students cannot complete or practice it in advance of the test Start Date or edit it after the test End Date.



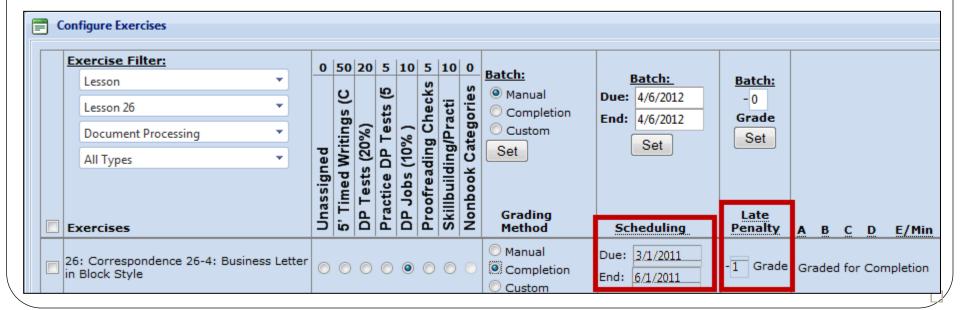
Start Date/End Date (cont'd)

With a Start Date and End Date in effect, "Assignment Not Available" appears when a student selects that menu item either before the Start Date or after the End Date. For example:



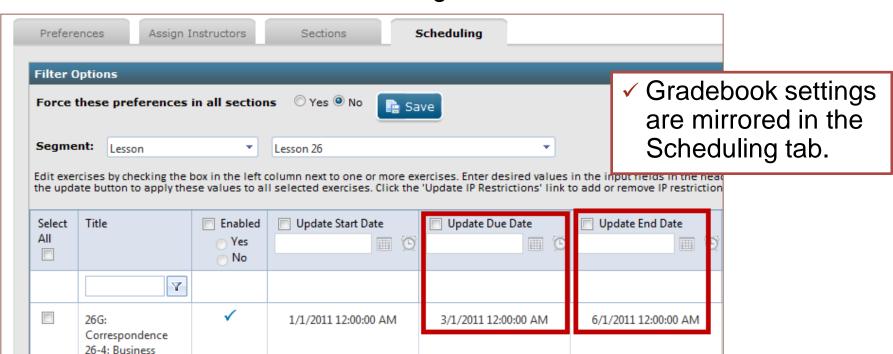
Due Date

- If you used GDP's Gradebook (Configure Exercises feature) to set a Due Date with an automatic Late Penalty, that Due Date (and any End Date) will be mirrored in the Scheduling tab (and vice versa). For example:
 - ✓ Because the Due Date feature is directly related to the Gradebook, it is best to set a Due Date (and perhaps an End Date) via Configure Exercises, Scheduling column, in GDP's Interim Gradebook.
 - ✓ Change settings via Configure Exercises before you force Scheduling Preferences to all Class Sections.



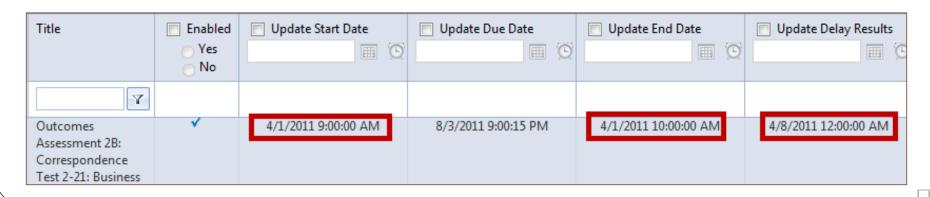
Due Date (cont'd)

- ✓ This job's Due Date is 3/1/11, 12 a.m., the last date and time this
 job can be submitted without incurring an automatic Late Penalty
 as specified in GDP's Gradebook under Configure Exercises.
- ✓ This job's End Date, 6/1/11, means that this item will be inaccessible from the Lesson 26 menu after that date as specified in GDP's Gradebook under Configure Exercises.



Delay Results

- Add a Delay Results date to delay the reporting of scored text until after a specified date and time when the student uses Edit Work or Submit Work or Portfolio, Details and to delay the display of General Comments and Annotations. For example:
 - ✓ You want to reserve Correspondence Test 2-21 for testing; so you make it inaccessible from the GDP menu so students cannot practice it in advance of the test Start Date or edit it after the test End Date.
 - ✓ You decide to delay results for one week so students will not have access to scored text.



Delay Results (cont'd)

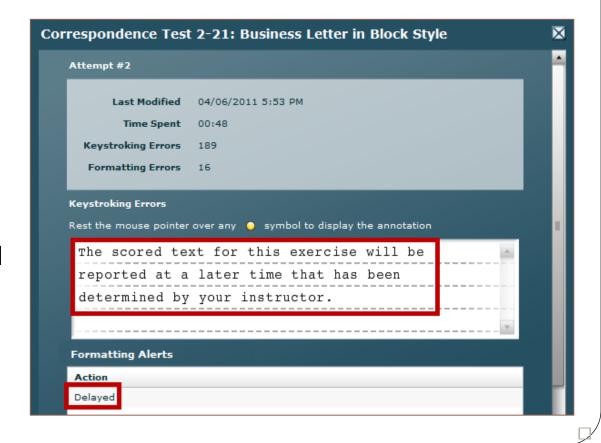
Students see this message after they click Submit:

Scoring Results

The scored text for this exercise will be reported at a later time that has been determined by your instructor.

 Students see this in their Portfolio note that General Comments and Annotations are hidden.

Note: You can see scored results and add General Comments and Annotations regardless of any Delay Results settings.



Scheduling & Proofreading Checks

- The goal in any document processing job is to submit it as a mailable job, free of any keystroking or formatting errors.
- A Proofreading Check job must be submitted with zero keystroking errors on the first Start Work attempt.
 - Only Attempt #5 below is considered a successful Proofreading Check because an Edited Attempt Origin means students were able to view their scored results before editing and therefore had GDP help with proofreading.

Date	Lesson	Title			Total Time
▼ 12/02/2010 2:19 PM 30		Correspondence 30-19: Business Letter in Block Style			57:15
Attempt	Keystroking E	rrors Attempt Origin	Time Spent	Last Modified	
Attempt #3	0	Edited attempt 1	17:06	12/02/2010 1:37 PM	Details
Attempt #4	0	Edited attempt 1	39:54	12/02/2010 2:00 PM	Details
Attempt #5	0	Started	17:21	12/02/2010 2:19 PM	Details

BP: Delay Results—Proofreading Check

To thwart cheating on a Proofreading Check:

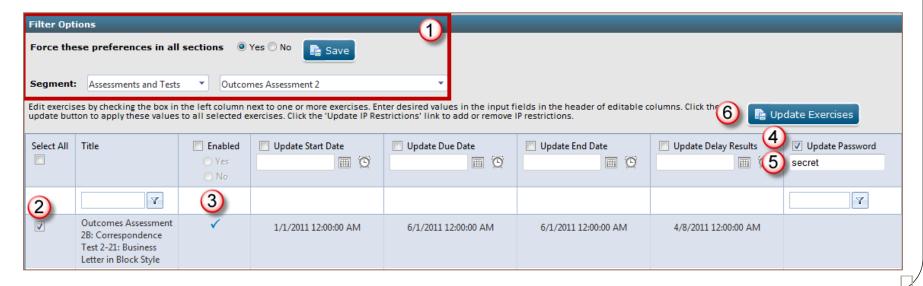
- Use Delay Results to hide scored copy until after the due date has passed, the school term ends, or indefinitely.
- Perhaps remove that item from the menu or restrict access to it once the due date has passed. If you set the Delay Results date to match the date the restriction starts, then students can see their scored results, but they no longer have access to Start Work, Edit Work, or Submit Work.



Note: Use Enable/Disable to remove the item from the menu; or use Start Date/End Date, Password, or IP Restriction to restrict access. Using a Password is usually the easiest way to restrict access.

Password

- Add a Password to block access to a GDP menu item via a password restriction. For example:
 - ✓ You want to reserve Correspondence Test 2-21 for a test you will give April 1, 2011; you add a password so students cannot practice the job in advance of the test; you will change the password immediately after the test so they cannot download or edit the test.
 - You delay scored results until one week after the test date so students cannot share results with one another.



Password (cont'd)

 Students see a Password Required dialog box when they try to access the test job.



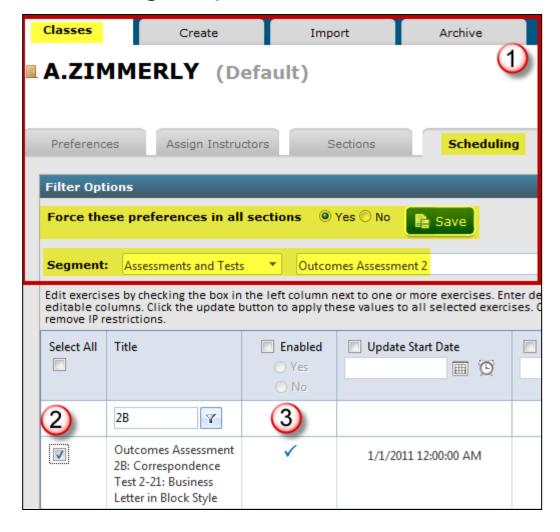
- On the date of the test, announce the password, start the test as a group, and set a timer.
- When time is up, stop work and direct students to close GDP.
- ✓ Immediately open Course Manager and change the password again. In this way, access to this test job is blocked once again so students cannot edit or download any documents after the test is over.



Note: Using a Password in this way is generally simpler and more convenient than setting a Start and End Date.

Password (cont'd)

To change a password:





When you click **Update Exercise**, "secret" will be replaced by the new password "topsecret."



IP Restrictions

- Add IP Restrictions to restrict student access to designated menu items to specific computers using specific IP addresses. For example:
 - ✓ You want students to take tests only from your classroom workstations under your supervision.
 - ✓ If students attempt to select an IP-restricted item from any computer outside your classroom workstations, for example, they will see an IP Address Invalid dialog box and be blocked from completing that item.

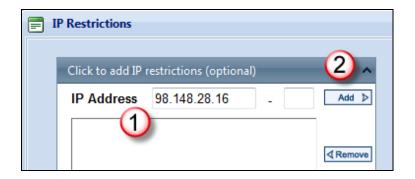


IP Restrictions (cont'd)

For the designated item, click Update IP Restrictions.



 From the IP Restrictions dialog box, (1) type or paste in the address in the IP Address box, (2) click Add, and (3) repeat for each desired workstation's IP addresses; click Save.







Note: Type "IP address locator" in your browser's Search box to find sites, such as http://www.whatismyip.com/, that immediately identify a computer's IP address, which you can copy/paste. See GDP Help for details.

Scheduling Strategies and ADDS

- See these the handout "<u>Scheduling & Report</u> <u>Strategies For Testing & Document Processing</u>" for details on these topics:
 - ✓ "Scheduling as a Testing and Document Processing Strategy (*BP)."
 - ✓ "A.D.D.S. and the Student Portfolio" includes a helpful discussion about GDP's Academic Dishonesty Deterrent System and how it flags various security violations for submitted work to help you detect possible attempts at cheating.



Note: This handout is password protected due to sensitive information. Visit the Getting Started page at gdpkeyboarding.com for password information.

Feedback?

If you have any questions regarding Scheduling or GDP, please send an e-mail:

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Happy Scheduling!





Note: This presentation was created as a generic guideline for instructors. Your specific procedures may vary.