## Edexcel Further Maths Polar coordinates

## Section 2: The area of a sector

## Crucial points

1. Make sure you know how to find the area of a sector by integration
Remember that the area of a sector is found by integrating $\frac{1}{2} r^{2}$ with respect to $\theta$.
2. Be careful with integration, in particular when integrating $\cos ^{2} \theta$ or $\sin ^{2} \theta$
Remember the use of the double angle identity to integrate $\cos ^{2} \theta$ or $\sin ^{2} \theta$.
3. Make sure that you use the correct limits of integration

Always sketch the curve and use it to check the limits of the integration.

