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A  $\mathbb{Q}$ -curve is an elliptic curve which is isogenous to all of its Galois conjugates. It is a mild generalization of an elliptic curve and has many interesting applications such as twisted Fermat type equations. A quadratic  $\mathbb{Q}$ -curve is a  $\mathbb{Q}$ -curve for which the smallest field of definition is a quadratic field. Quadratic  $\mathbb{Q}$ -curves of degree  $N$  defined over  $\mathbb{K} = \mathbb{Q}(\sqrt{d})$  are parametrized by  $X_0^d(N)$ , the twist of  $X_0(N)$  via  $w_N$  and the generator of the Galois group of  $\mathbb{K}$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ . Since cusps of  $X_0(N)$  are rational it is immediate to say that  $X_0(N)(\mathbb{Q})$  is non-empty. But  $w_N$  interchanges the cusps of  $X_0(N)$  hence cuspidal points of the twist are not rational anymore. So it is not immediate to say if  $X_0^d(N) = \emptyset$  or not. We will give an answer to the following question which is stated by Ellenberg:

*For which  $\mathbb{K}$  and  $N$  does  $X_0^d(N)$  have rational points over every completion of  $\mathbb{Q}$ ?* (Received August 14, 2009)