

Go Beyond Cloud Trained. Get AWS Certified.

Prepare to Pass Your AWS Certification Exam

Get ready to build credibility and confidence by validating your cloud experience with an industry-recognized credential. AWS Certification will help you highlight your in-demand skills for any organization looking to build effective, innovative teams for cloud initiatives using AWS.

Before taking an AWS Certification exam, we recommend you have hands-on experience with relevant AWS products and services. We offer resources, including optional training, to supplement your experience and help you prepare for AWS Certification.

This overview of the certification exam and recommended training courses will help you prepare to validate your knowledge and experience with an AWS Certification.

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On Track for Success

In advance of the AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner exam, we recommend one or more years of hands-on experience developing and maintaining an AWS-based application. You can supplement your hands-on experience with related AWS training.

This learning track is for individuals in technical, managerial, sales, purchasing, or financial roles. It's designed to help you build and validate overall understanding of the AWS Cloud with a recommended progression of courses:

AWS Cloud Practitioner Essentials ✓

This fundamental-level course is intended for individuals who seek an overall understanding of the AWS Cloud, independent of specific technical roles. It provides a detailed overview of cloud concepts, AWS services, security, architecture, pricing, and support. This course also helps you prepare for the AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner exam.

AWS Cloud Practitioner Essentials (Second Edition) ✓

These fundamental-level courses will give you an overall understanding of the AWS Cloud, independent of your specific technical role. Designed to help you prepare for your AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner exam, they provide a detailed overview of cloud concepts, AWS services, security, architecture, pricing, and support.

Cloud Practitioner Learning Path



AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner



= certification



= intermediate



= foundational



= advanced



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Know Your Material

The exam includes the following topics, so make sure you have them covered:

Cloud Concepts

- Define the AWS Cloud and its value proposition
- Identify aspects of AWS Cloud economics
- List the different cloud architecture design principles

Security and Compliance

- Define the AWS shared responsibility model
- Define AWS Cloud security and compliance concepts
- Identify AWS access management capabilities
- Identify resources for security support

Technology

- Define methods of deploying and operating in the AWS Cloud
- Define the AWS global infrastructure
- Identify the core AWS services
- Identify resources for technology support

Billing and Pricing

- Compare and contrast the various pricing models for AWS
- Recognize the various account structures in relation to AWS billing and pricing
- Identify resources available for billing support

Download the official AWS Cloud Practitioner **Exam Guide**.

If you need to revisit the fundamentals of any of the above topics, AWS offers a wide variety of resources designed to further your learning. Access whitepapers, FAQs, technical documentation, and more.

Certification Prep page »



Practice Makes Perfect

AWS provides sample questions to help you prepare and a practice test to give you an idea of what to expect when you sit down for your exam.

[Take the practice exam »](#)

Know What To Expect

Here's what to expect from the actual exam, which costs \$100 USD and takes 90 minutes to complete:

Response Types

There are two types of questions on the examination:

- Multiple-choice: One correct response and three incorrect responses (distractors).
- Multiple-response: Two or more correct responses out of five or more options.

Select one or more responses that best complete the statement or answer the question. Distractors are plausible response options for the content area that an examinee with incomplete knowledge or skill would likely choose. Unanswered questions are scored as incorrect; there is no penalty for guessing.

Unscored Content

Your examination may include non-scored questions that are placed on the test to gather statistical information. These questions are not identified on the form, and do not affect your score.

Exam Results

- This is a pass or fail exam scored against a minimum standard established by AWS professionals guided by certification-industry best practices and guidelines.
- Your results are reported as a score from 100 - 1000, with a minimum passing score of 700. Scaled scoring models are used to equate scores across multiple exam forms that may have slightly different difficulty levels.
- Your score report contains a table of classifications of your performance at each section level. You do not need to "pass" the individual sections, only the overall examination. Each section has a specific weighting, so some have more questions than others. The table contains general information to highlight your strengths and weaknesses.



When you're skilled,
you know. When you're
certified, everyone knows.

Ready to put your knowledge to the test? If so, schedule your exam today. If you feel like you need more preparation, access more tools and resources until you are ready to take the exam.

You're building valuable cloud skills. Now keep going. Get AWS certified.

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