DoD Cybersecurity Certifications and Training

U.S. Government
(ISC)² is Your Team’s Source for DoD 8570 Certifications and Training

(ISC)² is the world’s leading cybersecurity professional organization, more than 150,000 certified members strong. You may know us for our acclaimed credentials, including the Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP), but that’s just the beginning. We offer everything your team needs for (ISC)² cybersecurity certification training, exam vouchers and professional development.

**Trusted Standards in Cybersecurity Training and Certification**

Government agencies have trusted (ISC)² to train and certify their cybersecurity personnel for more than two decades. In fact, (ISC)² offers nine distinct IA certifications that meet the requirements for 11 of the 14 work roles defined in DoDD 8140.01 and DoD 8570.01-M.

In accordance with DoDD 8140.01 and DoD 8570.01-M, personnel performing Information Assurance (IA) functions are obligated to obtain one of the certifications required for their position, category/specialty and level in order to fulfill the IA baseline certification requirement.

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Certifications for All Skill Levels

Our portfolio of industry-leading cybersecurity certifications serve a wide range of experience and skill levels to meet your team’s needs. The variety in (ISC)² credentials helps assure your organization’s cybersecurity requirements are fully met.

**Leadership and Operations**
Recognizes information security leaders who understand cybersecurity strategy, as well as hands-on implementation. Proves knowledge and experience to design, develop and manage the overall security posture of an organization.

**Authorization**
Recognizes knowledge, skills and abilities to authorize and maintain information systems within the risk management framework (RMF). Proves knowledge to formalize processes to assess risk and establish security documentation.

**IT Administration**
Recognizes hands-on technical abilities and practical experience. Proves skills to implement, monitor and administer IT infrastructure using IT security policies and procedures — ensuring the confidentiality, integrity and availability of data.

**Software Security**
Recognizes expertise and ability to incorporate security practices — authentication, authorization and auditing — into each phase of the software development lifecycle.

**Cloud Security**
Recognizes IT and cybersecurity leaders who have the knowledge and competency to apply best practices to cloud security architecture, design, operations and service orchestration. Designates leaders on the forefront of cloud security.

**Healthcare Security and Privacy**
Recognizes knowledge and ability to successfully implement, manage or assess security and privacy controls for healthcare and patient information. Proves a strong foundation in healthcare risk, security and privacy, and understanding of important healthcare regulations.

**CISSP Concentrations**
– Beyond the CISSP
(ISC)² concentrations are elite, specialized credentials that build on the CISSP to prove subject matter mastery. They recognize evolving expertise in information security architecture, engineering and management.

**Associate of (ISC)² – Pathway to Certification**
The Associate of (ISC)² designation is an alternative path for aspiring cybersecurity and IT/ICT professionals. It enables your employees to take any of our certification exams without having the required experience. When they pass, they become an Associate of (ISC)² while working to achieve certification. Throughout their journey, they gain access to exclusive (ISC)² resources that help them learn, grow and thrive.
The Journey to Cybersecurity Excellence
From certification training and exam vouchers to Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits — (ISC)² has your team’s needs covered. The journey to cybersecurity excellence doesn’t end when they pass the exam. Once certified, they immediately become a member of (ISC)², gaining them access to the full spectrum of professional development resources we offer. Your team will have the opportunity to keep their skills sharp with (ISC)² Professional Development Institute courses for free – earning CPE credits in the same learning management system they know from online certification training.

Official (ISC)² Certification Training Options
(ISC)² offers a choice of team training solutions tailored to your budget, schedule and cybersecurity certification requirements. The training is comprehensive, relevant and up-to-date, aligning to the latest exam outline.

Private On-Site Training
Led by an (ISC)² Authorized Instructor and conducted with official courseware at your office or a private venue near you for groups of 10 or more employees. Typically runs 4- to 5-days, coordinated around your team’s schedule and certification needs.

What’s included:

- In-person instruction from an (ISC)² Authorized Instructor
- Official (ISC)² Student Training Guide (1-year digital access or print for additional cost)
- Collaboration with team members
- Real-world scenarios
- Knowledge checks and interactive exercises
- End-of-chapter quizzes
- Post-course assessment
- Interactive flash cards
- Instructor support
Online Instructor-Led Training

Led by an (ISC)² Authorized Instructor and delivered virtually. Individuals choose a 4- to 5-consecutive-day online class or flexible online training twice a week, over a 6- to 8-week period. Organizations seeking to certify 10 or more employees may do so with private online instructor-led training.

Online Self-Paced Training

Access to pre-recorded video content from an (ISC)² Authorized Instructor. Gives students complete autonomy to learn on their schedule, at their pace.

What’s included:*  
- Live virtual instruction from an (ISC)² Authorized Instructor  
- Official (ISC)² Student Training Guide (1-year digital access)  
- Continued access to course content for 6 months, including recorded sessions  
- Collaboration with team members  
- Real-world scenarios  
- Knowledge checks and interactive exercises  
- End-of-chapter quizzes  
- Post-course assessment  
- Interactive flash cards  
- Instructor support

What’s included:**  
- 180-day access to official course content  
- Pre-recorded videos and narrated presentations  
- Real-world scenarios  
- Knowledge checks and interactive exercises  
- End-of-chapter quizzes  
- Post-course assessment  
- Interactive flash cards  
- Instructor support via email (48-hour response time)

*Availability of training features and learning methods varies by certification.
Why (ISC)² Official Training

Eight out of 10 Fortune 100 companies rely on (ISC)² certified professionals to prepare for and recover from cyberattacks. With so much on the line, who do you trust to train your team?

(ISC)² certifications are highly regarded in cybersecurity and countless training companies offer exam prep. But not all training providers are equally qualified to prepare your team for certification. Here are 10 facts about Official (ISC)² Training:

Fact 1: Not all (ISC)² certification trainings are endorsed by (ISC)².
Official training from (ISC)² guarantees your team access to the official (ISC)² curriculum to prepare for the rigorous certification exams. Our instructors are all verified security experts, authorized by (ISC)² to deliver the most relevant, up-to-date course content developed by (ISC)². No training company unaffiliated with (ISC)² can claim that.

Fact 2: We are authorized to sell you (ISC)² exam vouchers in bulk.
Unauthorized companies do not have the access required to purchase (ISC)² exam vouchers. Please be aware that authorized organizations will never ask for a candidate’s Pearson VUE credentials. Doing so puts your employees at risk and violates the terms of (ISC)²’s Non-Disclosure Agreement.

Fact 3: No training provider can guarantee you a pass rate.
Be wary of any company promising 90% or any other pass rate. (ISC)² never provides pass-rate information to training providers — therefore any promised pass rates they put out are false. (ISC)² certification exams are designed for only a certain percentage of test-takers to pass. However, if a student attends an Official (ISC)² Training through (ISC)² and doesn’t pass their exam on their first attempt, they are invited to sit for another course at no additional cost.

Fact 4: Your team will learn the latest content through official channels.
As trends in cybersecurity continuously evolve, the official (ISC)² Common Body of Knowledge (CBK) and courseware are updated. You can be assured that Official (ISC)² Training is always current and aligns to the latest exam outline. In contrast, there is no guarantee the content you receive from an unofficial training provider reflects the most recent changes.

Fact 5: Quality instruction matters.
Make sure your training provider offers qualified (ISC)² instructors. All (ISC)² Authorized Instructors hold the certification they are teaching and undergo a rigorous onboarding process. They have on average 15 to 20 years of industry experience and are experts in the field of cybersecurity.
Fact 6: Passing the exam is not the only thing that matters. (ISC)² certifications measure your team’s experience, knowledge and critical thinking skills to demonstrate their expertise in protecting your organization’s critical assets. We help candidates prepare for test day, but we never lose sight of the bigger picture: inspiring a safe and secure cyber world and developing professionals who can better secure your organization.

Fact 7: Official Training from (ISC)² sets your team up for success while maximizing your ROI. We have many options for you to consider, including Online Instructor-Led Training, Online Self-Paced Training and Private On-Site Training. To help reinforce knowledge, we also offer a variety of self-study books.

Fact 8: (ISC)² @Work program allows your organization to develop its own instructors. Train your workforce while enjoying the benefits of official (ISC)² curriculum materials.

Fact 9: Our Investment Program provides matching funds for your organization. For every dollar you spend with (ISC)² up to 30%, we’ll match it.

Fact 10: Your team can earn college credits with select (ISC)² training. Official (ISC)² CBK Training Seminars for CISSP, CCSP, CSSLP and SSCP are each worth 2 college credit hours, per the American Council on Education’s College Credit Recommendation Service.
ABOUT (ISC)²

(ISC)² is an international nonprofit membership association focused on inspiring a safe and secure cyber world. Best known for the acclaimed Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP®) certification, (ISC)² offers a portfolio of credentials that are part of a holistic, pragmatic approach to security. Our membership, more than 150,000 strong, is made up of certified cyber, information, software and infrastructure security professionals who are making a difference and helping to advance the industry. Our vision is supported by our commitment to educate and reach the general public through our charitable foundation – The Center for Cyber Safety and Education™.

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