# Certified Authorization Professional

The Certified Authorization Professional (CAP) certification confirms an individual's knowledge, skill, and experience required for authorizing and maintaining information systems within the new Risk Management Framework as outlined in NIST SP 800-37 Rev 1. CAP applies to those responsible for formalizing processes used to assess risk and establish security requirements and documentation. Commercial organizations, civilian and local governments, and the U.S. federal government – including the State Department and Department of Defense (DoD) – rely on CAPs expertise to ensure that information systems not only have the appropriate security measures in place, but that they are also aligned with the organization's level of exposure to risk.

Today's utilization of technology will not assure the safety of information assets for tomorrow and must be vigilantly monitored and constantly validated against changing security requirements triggered by emerging threats. The CAP credential ensures organizations that these professionals possess the necessary knowledge, skills, abilities, and experience to effectively monitor and evaluate a company's security risks and requirements today and for the future.

**The ONLY certification under the DoD8570 mandate that maps to the NIST Risk Management Framework.**

## Who Should Become a CAP

» Information system security officer (ISSO)

» Information system security manager (ISSM)

» Information assurance (IA) practitioner performing security authorization and continuous monitoring

» Executive "signing off" on Authority to Operate (ATO)

» Inspector general (IG) and auditor performing independent reviews

» Program manager developing or maintaining IT systems

### CAP Average Annual Salary

# $120,480

*- Certification Magazine 2016 Salary Survey*

# Steps to Getting Certified

## 1 Obtain the Required Experience

Candidates must have a minimum of 2 years culmulative paid full-time work experience in 1 or more of the **7 domains** of the CAP CBK:

- » Risk Management Framework (RMF)
- » Categorization of Information Systems
- » Selection of Security Controls
- » Security Control Implementation
- » Security Control Assessment
- » Information System Authorization
- » Monitoring of Security Controls

Don't have enough experience? Check out our Associate program at www.isc2.org/associate.

## 2 Take the Exam

Candidates are given three hours to complete the **125 question** CAP exam.

Register at your local Pearson Vue Test Center:
www.pearsonvue.com/isc2

## 3 Complete the Endorsement Process

Once you successfully pass the exam, you will have nine months from the date of the exam to complete this process. www.isc2.org/endorsement

## 4 Maintain Your Membership

Once you are certified, you become a member of (ISC)². **Recertification is required every three years.** This is accomplished through earning Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits and paying an Annual Maintenance Fee (AMF).

**60** cpes   US**$65** amf   **3** years

## Exam Prep

### Self Study Tools
- Exam Outline
- Official Textbook
- Flashcards

### Training Methods
- Classroom-based
- Private, On-site
- Live OnLine

## Member Benefits

(ISC)² Security Congress
(ISC)² Textbooks Discounts
(ISC)² SecureEvents
(ISC)² Chapter Program
(ISC)² Receptions/Networking Opportunities
(ISC)² Global Awards Programs
(ISC)² Webinars
Industry Conference Discounts
Global Information Security Workforce Study
*InfoSecurity Professional* Magazine
Safe and Secure Online Volunteer Opportunities

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